

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
German Township Board of Trustees
Regular Session
October 08, 2019

The German Township Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, October 08, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. at the German Township Office, 3940 Lawrenceville Dr., Springfield, Ohio. Mr. Clark called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Mr. Clark - present; Mr. Kaffenbarger – present; Mr. Metzger- present
Fiscal Officer: Angela Griest - present

Township Personnel present: Mike Stitzel, Police Chief; Tim Holman, Fire Chief; Mark Bevan, Maintenance; George Degenhart, Zoning Inspector; Karina Emory, Secretary; and Linda Mader.

Visitors: Jill Acuff; John Rehm, and Kim Northup.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

A. Motion to approve the minutes for September 10, 2019:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Metzger Ayes- All

Hearing of the Public

Jill Acuff: Does not like the idea of having Trick or Treat/Beggar's Night on Thursday, October 31st. She would like to ask the Trustee's to change the date to Saturday.

- There was much discussion concerning the issue, including pros and cons, and many opinions were stated.
- Trustee's response: As they understood the situation, the Sheriff had changed the date due to other surrounding areas also holding Trick or Treat/Beggar's Night on October 31st. According to the Ohio Revised Code, it is the responsibility of the Clark County Sheriff to set the date and time for Trick or Treat. Therefore, the Trustees agreed that the date for Trick or Treat would remain as October 31.

John Rehm: Complaint on Hominy Ridge Road that people do not stop at the stop sign. It is going to cause an accident. Also, the residences of the subdivision are not stopping at the stop signs. The police need to go up there.

Fiscal Officer:

B. Motion to receive the September 2019 management reports:

Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Clark Ayes- All

C. Motion to approve payments issued September 10, 2019 through October 5, 2019 \$123,150.95

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Metzger Ayes: All

D. Motion to approve the Cooperative Agreement – 202 OPWC Clark County- Multi Township Resurfacing Project:

Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes: All

E. Motion to approve a Resolution authorizing Jennifer Hutchinson, Clark County Administrator to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works commission State capital Improvement and /or Local Transportation improvement Program(s) and to execute contracts as required:

Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes: All

- Received information from Burnham and Flower concerning Bonds/Faithful Performance Coverage for elected officers for 2020. A new law is in place, where instead of a surety bond for the elected officials, we can have Faithful Performance coverage. The difference being, a surety bond company can go after private assets to satisfy the payment made under the surety bond. The Faithful Performance Coverage works like insurance coverage and does not go back against private assets. Currently the cost of the fiscal officer surety bond is \$912 for the 4-year term, the trustees are free; the Faithful Performance Coverage costs would be \$260.00 per year or \$1040 for the 4 year term. The costs will be included in our annual property and liability insurance renewal.

F. Motion to approve a Resolution to allow the use of an employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty coverage document, rather than a surety bond to cover loss by fraudulent or dishonest actions of elected officials or employees:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Metzger Ayes: All

- G. Motion to approve an indigent cremation/burial for Steven Ray Nan, date of death 10-04-2019, residence at 1750 Baker Road:

Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Clark Ayes: All

- Delaware County Prosecutor's Office is having their annual Township Officials Training Saturday, November 16, 2019 from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Zoning Department:

Mr. Degenhart presented the following:

- The discussions concerning the mall are ongoing. Still in negotiations and gathering financial backing.

Fire Department

Chief Holman presented the following:

- A branch of TAC II has asked if we would be able to have a position here for an individual to help around the facilities. Do they need supervision? The Township cannot provide supervision. Is it a paid position, or volunteer? Need to get more information.
- Water softener is leaking. It is nineteen years old. Cost to replace \$2300.00

- H. Motion to approve the replacement of the water softener up to \$2300.00:

Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Clark Ayes: All

Police Department:

Chief Stitzel presented the following:

- Would like to tint office windows in the police department. People are looking in the office door windows, and sunlight floods the camera, distorting pictures. Trustees suggested getting a quote and to include all office windows along the front.
- Officer Renner is home convalescing from his accident. He will be off approximately six months.
- Officer Gleason has resigned to take a position closer to home.

Road Maintenance Department

Mr. Bevan presented the following:

- Pride Cleanup – Please let them know what roads we would like to have cleaned up. Usually do the same roads each year.
- Tires we have gathered up from the roads are starting to pile up. Mr. Degenhart to help get tires removed.

- I. Motion to approve work on Overland Drive - will need about 14.5 ton gravel and Terry Hiles to do work- estimated cost \$3000.00:

Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes: All

- J. Motion to approve work on Hominy Ridge Road at a cost of up to \$700.00:

Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Metzger Ayes: All

- K. Motion to approve work on Popular and White Oak Drive for a cost up to \$700.00:

Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes: All

- Mr. Bevans thanked the Fire Department for blowing out the drains in Westridge. The water flows continually, but there is not much grade.
- On Willowdale at the top of the hill, a blacktop trough is coming apart causing the hill to slide. It needs a 12" pipe to extend about 600 ft. to the ditch, several yard drains to tie in. In addition, an aeration system ties into this tile. May need a catch basin to help handle the quantity of water. Mr. Bevan to get a quote for the black top and the cost to have it tiled. May need to be a project for next year.
- Catch basin at Walnut Grove/Hanson has washed out. The concrete pipe has separated. Also one on Autumn Creek. Need to have lines located.
- The repairs to Dredge Road look good.

Old Business:

- The Trustees have reviewed the Mt. Calvary Cemetery Draft agreement.

L. Motion to accept the Agreement for Transfer of Mt. Calvary Cemetery (Old Section) from Village of Tremont City to German Township, Clark County, Ohio (O.R.C.759.19) (see attached):

Motion: Mr. Metzger 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes: All

- Personnel Manual – postpone setting a date to work on it until after November.

New Business:

- Discussion about putting a building for storage on the property purchased from the church.

M. Motion to adjourn by Mr. Metzger, seconded by Mr. Kaffenbarger. Ayes: All

Approved by:
Board of German Township Trustees

Recorded in the
Record of Proceedings
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Robert Clark, President

Rodney Kaffenbarger, Vice President

Angela D. Griest, Fiscal Officer

Charles Metzger, Member