

RUSSELL FIRE-RESCUE

OCTOBER 16, 2013

Chairman Dickinson called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Trustees Justin Madden and Jim Mueller were present. Also present was Fiscal Officer Chuck Walder.

**MINUTES:** *Mr. Mueller made the motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 2, 2013, as presented. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

**QUARTERLY REPORTS:** *Mr. Madden made the motion to acknowledge receipt of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2013 reports from the Zoning Department. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

The Quarterly Reports were accepted from the Fire, Police, Maintenance, and Road Department.

**FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT:** Mr. Walder reported that the new tractor and mower assembly for the Road Department arrived; the tractor and mower assembly replaced two outdated tractors from the Road Department. The new tractor just needs strobes put in and graphic stenciling before use.

Mr. Walder reported that there will be a Geauga Township Association meeting held on November 13<sup>th</sup> at the Kent State University Geauga Campus focusing on the past, present, and future.

Mr. Walder reported that there will be a winter conference from February 12-15 for the Ohio Township Association.

Mr. Walder reported that the grant application was completed for the County Engineer and that the Township is at the final approval stage for the grant to resurface Hemlock Point Road.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC WERE ACCEPTED.**

**POLICY MANUAL:** The final draft of the Township's Policy Manual is complete and each of the Trustees received copies of the draft to review; the Trustees will meet individually with the Fiscal Officer before the next meeting to discuss comments and concerns.

**HERITAGE HOME PROGRAM:** The Township has received two emails from residents expressing interest in the Heritage Home Program to restore homes older than 50 years. Mr. Mueller suggested that an outline of the program be put on the Township's website and to send out an email newsletter that informs residents about the program. Mr. Madden stated that the Heritage Home Program might have a lot of benefits for multiple parties and it might be of interest for the Township to further look into details of the program.

**TOWN HALL USE:** *Mr. Madden made the motion to grant permission for the Hackamore Woods Homeowner's Association to use the Town Hall from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM on November 21, 2013, subject to Township rules and regulations. Mr. Mueller*

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*seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

**TOWN HALL USE:** *Mr. Mueller made the motion to grant permission for the Hemlock Hills Homeowner's Association to use the Town Hall from 7 PM to 9 PM on October 30, 2013, subject to Township rules and regulations. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

**BZA APPLICATIONS:** The deadline for the BZA applications was extended to 10 AM on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

**ANNETTE SCOTT PROPERTY:** The demolition process of the Annette Scott Property structure was discussed. The concern for asbestos was raised. Mr. Mueller asked who would take custody of the cars from the property once they were removed as it was the first time the statute would be used in Geauga County.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The Township Fiscal Officer, Trustees, and Department Heads are holding another informational session on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 P.M. The current state of Township finances will be described.

The next regular Trustees' meeting will be held at 4:30 P.M., Wednesday, November 6th, in the Russell Township Fire-Rescue station.

Candidate's Night, hosted by the League of Women Voters, will be held at West Geauga High School on October 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM.

Trick or Treat will be held on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6 PM to 8 PM.

*Mr. Madden made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.

James Dickinson, Chairman

Charles Walder, Fiscal Officer

Recorded by: B. Milite