

TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF MEETING OF MARCH 12, 2018
MEETING LOCATION: TWIN TOWNSHIP GARAGE 11474 KERAN STREET

President Michael Whitt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Officials present at roll call were: President Michael Whitt, Vice-President Michael Darbyshire, Trustee Bryan Bethel, and Fiscal Officer William Jones. Also present: , Bill Ford, Jr., Fire Captain, Mike Norman and Marty Johnson, EMS Co-Captains, Amy Mendenhall, Fire/EMS member.

Motion by Mr. Whitt and second by Mr. Bethel to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. Remaining in Executive Session with the Trustees was Amy Mendenhall and the Fiscal Officer. Motion passed. Executive Session began at 7:00 p.m. Amy Mendenhall left the Executive Session at 8:01 p.m. Mike Norman entered at 8:01 p.m. and exited at 8:06 p.m. Executive Session ended at 8:20 p.m.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived

RESOLUTION 2018-03-12-01: Motion was made by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Darbyshire to approve the minutes as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

The report was given by Bill Ford, Jr., Fire Captain.

He first reported that the Fire Chief will be out of the township for training, and during his absence, Assistant Chief Joe Alexander will assume his duties. Request was made to extend the \$60.00 per month cell phone allowance to the Assistant Fire Chief, since he would be required to use his cell phone for township business during this period.

Motion to approve above request by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Whitt. All voted yes. Motion passed.

A current list of officers and members of the Twin Township Fire and Life Squad was presented.

Fire Truck 1601 has a bad fitting on the tank. The repair should be under warranty. It is now in service.

New special fuel was recently purchased from Lowe's to be used on the small engines to try to avoid maintenance problems.

Fire House building maintenance issues were discussed. Roof on the north section would need replaced soon. The parking area needs re-paved. Interior painting needs done. Installation of double-hung windows would provide better efficiency in terms of heating the fire house. The Trustees encouraged the Fire Captain to prioritize these items and determine by the budget, which could be taken care of this year, and then present that information to the Trustees for consideration.

EMS Co-Captain Mike Norman reported that some of the EMS drug supply are being purchased now from McFadden Pharmacy in Bainbridge. The price of the hazmat jackets approved for purchase at a previous meeting should be about \$202 each.

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION

Trustee Mike Darbyshire reported:

1. The Ross County Engineer is going to help stabilize Rueb Hill the week of March 19, 2018.
2. Twin Township is responsible for the first 300 feet of Turkey Ridge Road. **Motion** by Mr. Darbyshire and second by Mr. Bethel to purchase and install a township limit sign at that location. All voted yes. Motion passed.
3. The ditch on Hurless Road has been repaired.
4. He was contacted by Jeff Hill of Camelin Hill Road regarding a culvert problem. Mr. Darbyshire explained that to fix the drainage issue, a private fence that is on the township right-of-way needed removed.
5. The culvert on Scott Road at the DeGarmo residence needs cleaned out.

6. A new culvert needs installed at the Horizon Driveway on Scott Road.
7. A street light was out at Nipgen and South Central Power was contacted to correct it.
8. A ditch and culvert at the driveway at 313 Flat Road is plugged. It is the owner's responsibility to keep that open so water doesn't collect on the roadway.
9. Paving footage for the summer paving project was provided to the Ross County Engineer.
10. Cleaning our pot-holes with a heavy duty leaf blower may help the cold patch hold better. Mr. Bethel suggested the one at the cemetery garage could be used for that.

Mr. Whitt reported:

1. He received a call from Tony Yoakum about a plugged culvert on Alexander Hollow Road.
2. The ton truck was taken to Waverly for repairs.

FINANCIAL

RESOLUTION 2018-03-12-02:

Motion by Mr. Bethel and second by Mr. Whitt to approve:

- a) payment of bills as presented
- b) Purchase Orders and blanket certificates as presented

All voted yes. motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

None

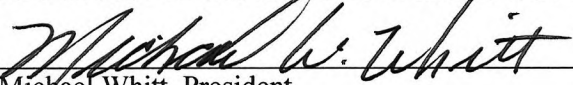
NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2018-03-12-03:


Motion by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Darbyshire to have Trustee Bryan Bethel meet with Fire Chief Bill Ford, III, to discuss a matter regarding disparaging comments he allegedly made toward a member of the Fire/EMS department. After meeting with the complainant, and having a witness come before the Board in Executive Session to testify to having claimed to have over-heard some of the accusations, the Board directed Mr. Bethel to inform Chief Ford that if he admits to having made any of the disparaging comments, a written reprimand would be considered by the Board to be placed in his file as a method of discipline and would bring this issue to a resolution. If Chief Ford refutes the accusations, and therefore chooses not to consider the issuance of a written reprimand, then he would be notified of the right to come before the Board to defend himself. If Chief Ford decides he would prefer the opportunity to address the Board in person regarding this issue, the Board realizes that Chief Ford is scheduled to be out of state, and the Board is prepared to table the issue until he would be available upon returning. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Bethel and seconded by Mr. Darbyshire to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. All voted yes. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 3/12/18 TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MEETING:


 Michael Whitt, President

 Michael Darbyshire, Vice-President


 Bryan Bethel, Trustee