

TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 13, 2013

MEETING LOCATION: TWIN TOWNSHIP FIREHOUSE

President Michael Whitt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Officials present at roll call were: President Michael Whitt, Vice-President Michael Darbyshire, Trustee Bryan Bethel and Fiscal Officer William Jones.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Reading of the minutes of the April 8, 2013, meeting was waived.

RESOLUTION 2013-05-13-01: *Motion* was made by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Bethel to approve the minutes as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Fire Chief Billy Ford, III gave the following report:

- 1) Applications for Steve Newland and Kenny Oyer to become members of the Twin Volunteer Fire Department were reviewed by the Trustees. After review, *motion* made by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Darbyshire to approve the applications for both candidates. All voted yes. Motion passed.
- 2) Discussion was held regarding what to do with fire truck 1601. Fire Chief suggested that Harrison Township be contacted to see if they were interested in receiving the truck as a donation. Harrison's fire truck was recently stolen from their station and wrecked beyond repair. The insurance would not cover completely the cost of replacement according to the Chief. *Motion* made by Mr. Bethel and seconded by Mr. Darbyshire to give the Chief permission to contact Harrison Township to see if they were interested and, if so, donate truck 1601 to Harrison Township, Ross County. All voted yes, motion passed.
- 3) Chief asked the Trustees to consider inspection of a truck for sale by James Donahue for use by the fire department as a replacement for the current brush truck. It is a 2001 Dodge model 2500 dual cab. The truck has 22,000 miles on the odometer, and Mr. Donahue is asking \$7,500 for the truck. *Motion* made by Mr. Bethel and seconded by Mr. Darbyshire to approve the purchase if the truck passed inspection of the Trustees. All voted yes. Motion passed.
- 4) The Fire and Squad Association donated \$50.00 to the family of Jack Miller, who recently passed away.
- 5) Awareness training will be held next month for meth labs in case the fire or squad is called on the scene where a lab is suspected.
- 6) Some current fire department members are being trained as Emergency Medical Responders (EMR's). The Chief thinks that Ohio Law prohibits the township for billing for emergency runs if an EMR is on the run. The Fiscal Officer will forward the concern to the township's billing representative at MBI.

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION

Mr. Bethel reported:

1. He believes the property owners south of the cemetery may be interested in leasing or donating a small strip of land so that an access road can be utilized along the south side of the cemetery. He will report back at the next meeting the results of the contact with the owners.

Mr. Whitt reported:

1. A resident of Owl Creek Road in the township has contacted him regarding filing a nuisance complaint against a property owner for a horse trailer on the property that is an "eyesore". Mr. Whitt will get an address of the property involved so that the alleged nuisance can be inspected to see if it meets the definition of a nuisance according to township policy.
2. He is still working on getting other bids for roof replacement on the new township garage.

Mr. Darbyshire reported:

1. Beryl Elliott's property in Bourneville needs cleaned up again. A nuisance form will be prepared for Trustee signatures for the next meeting.

FINANCIAL

RESOLUTION 2013-05-13-02:

- **Motion** by Mr. Bethel and second by Mr. Darbyshire to pay bills, approve purchase orders, blanket certificates and supplemental appropriations as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

The Trustees discussed the repair of the septic tank lid at the rear of the fire house. Also, the dumpster is being used by others illegally. The Fiscal Officer will see if both issues can be resolved.

With no other business to come before the Trustees at this time, **Motion** was made by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Bethel to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. All voted yes. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 05-13-2013 TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MEETING:

Michael Whitt, President

Michael Darbyshire, Vice-President

Bryan Bethel, Trustee