

The Ravenna Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session at the Ravenna Township Trustee's Meeting Room, 705 Oakwood Street, Ravenna, Ohio, on December 15, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Robert A. Cherry. Roll call showed the following present: Trustees Robert A. Cherry, Hank T. Gibson, and Pat Artz; Fiscal Officer Kelly Rich; Department Heads Stan Zdanczewski with Steve Bosso arriving at 7:30 p.m.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2009 regular meeting. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Cherry announced that the Correspondence Book was available for viewing.

The financial reports were viewed by the Trustees from the December 1, 2009 meeting and found to be in order.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to approve payroll (December 18, 2009 (in the amount of \$36,674.13 and vouchers (December 14, 2009) in the amount of \$9,176.35. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

TRUSTEES

Tabled from the December 1, 2009 meeting was the issue concerning the reemployment of Stan Zdanczewski of the road department after his retirement effective December 31, 2009? After deliberations, A motion by Pat Artz, seconded by Robert Cherry to request the following concessions: to include an hourly rate of pay of \$20.00; he will begin 2010 with no accumulated sick and vacation leave but will accrue based on section 6.1 sick leave and 6.2 vacation leave under the personnel policy; he is expected to be available at all times unless his Trustee Supervisor has been notified. He will be classified as an hourly employee and eligible for holiday leave, and time in half for overtime hours. According to the personnel policy he will accumulate vacation leave but will not be able to take it for one (1) year. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, no; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

FISCAL OFFICER

There was no old business brought up by the Fiscal Office at this time.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Stan addressed the board about the department there has been a few inclement weather days the equipment is maintained and ready, they have adequate supply of salt on hand with a minimal amount of salt being used over the past week, for preventive maintenance.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

A motion by Pat Artz, seconded by Robert Cherry to nominate Hank T. Gibson as representative to the Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependant Fund. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

Trustee Gibson asked Steve for an update on Dispatch moving to Trumball 911; Steve indicated there is a large amount of work to be done primarily on Trumball's side, however Ravenna Township is ahead of schedule as they have narrow banding and updated communication equipment.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Hank T. Gibson to extend the bereavement policy to Jennifer Ferringer for her infant nephew that passed away out of state; pursuant to the policy nephew is not included as immediate family, however the board has the discretion to extend it; the board granted this request to her for the three (3) day paid time off. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

There was no one present from the zoning department.

NEW BUSINESS

TRUSTEES

A motion by Hank T. Gibson, seconded by Pat Artz to contact Miami University for maintaining our website, they maintain many other municipalities' internet sites and this service is free. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

Chairman Cherry administered the oath for Pat Artz trustee term commencing January 1, 2010.

In honor of Trustee Cherry's retirement, Pat Artz requests that Trustee Cherry has fulfilled his obligations over the past sixteen (16) years as a Trustee to the residents of Ravenna Township while always keeping the best interest of the people in mind while making decisions and due to Trustee Cherry facilitating the majority of the construction efforts and administering the FDA loan process for the addition to the fire department Trustee Artz made the motion, seconded by Trustee Gibson to dedicate the Ravenna Township Fire Department addition the Robert A. Cherry Building. R/C: Mr. Cherry, abstained; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

Trustee Artz also presented Trustee Cherry with a gift for his service and dedication.

FISCAL OFFICER

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to approve the November 2009 bank reconciliation as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Hank T. Gibson to schedule the year end meeting for December 30, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at 6115 Spring Street. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

A motion by Hank T. Gibson, seconded by Pat Artz to notify the townships' current web designer Gary McConnell, of their intent to cancel his services, effective immediately. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to authorize a decrease in the amount of \$4,000.00 from #2031 Road & Bridge Fund appropriations. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Hank T. Gibson to authorize a decrease of \$11,500.00 from #2111 Fire Fund appropriations. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to authorize the Fiscal Officer to increase the appropriations by the amount of \$40,000.00; transfers were previously approved for 2009 from the General Fund #1000 to Zoning Fund #2181, however the request to increase the appropriations was not made at the time of the transfer request. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

A motion by Hank T. Gibson, seconded by Pat Artz to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 P.M. R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. Motion passed.

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN

TRUSTEE

FISCAL OFFICER

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