

The Ravenna Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session at the Ravenna Township Trustee's Meeting Room, 705 Oakwood Street, Ravenna, Ohio, on March 17, 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, Pat Artz; Fiscal Officer Kelly Rich; Department Heads Stan Zdanczewski and Jim DiPaola.

A motion by Robert Cherry seconded by Pat Artz to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2009 regular meeting and the March 12th 2009 Special Meeting R/C: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

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

The financial reports were viewed by the Trustees from the March 3, 2009 meeting and found to be correct.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to approve payroll (March 13, 2009 \$45,320.40 and vouchers in the amount of \$60,870.90. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

TRUSTEES

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to approve and open a PO in the amount of \$18,384.00 to Spillman Technologies; this is for 2009 services. This amount will be expended on a monthly basis for the period beginning March 1, 2009 through one (1) year. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

FISCAL OFFICER

There was nothing brought up by the Fiscal Officer at this time.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Stan reported that the weather has held off and put the burden on salt to a minimum; he had the remainder for 2009 delivered and is now stockpiled for the 2009-2010 season.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to require the Administrative Assistant to the Fire Department's hours be Monday through Friday; 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; effective March 23, 2009. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

The reason is someone needs to be present during normal business hours for visitors, phone calls and normal business related matters.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to accept Lieutenant Scott Simmons resignation effective February 20, 2009. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to accept Jessica Kiel's request to reduce from her current position of Full-time Dispatcher to Part-time Dispatcher at the rate of pay of \$_____ per hour, effective March 23, 2009. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to authorize transfer of Jessica Kiel's accumulated sick hours in the amount of 338.25 to Robinson Memorial Hospital. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to authorize payment in the amount not to exceed 120 hours of accumulated vacation pay pursuant to Ravenna Township's personnel policy handbook. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

Jim investigated a residents concern regarding a sink hole at a home in the Timber Run Development that is currently in foreclosure, the neighbor has contacted the township previously about a hole that has increased in size due to erosion of earth because of the recent rain we have had; this seems to be dangerous. Jim took pictures and will contact the bank to request this be fixed.

The property belonging to Rosenjack on State Route 59 is in litigation Jim did stop to advise them that Big Brothers and Sisters will pick-up these junk vehicles to remove them free of charge if they want to clean up these items.

Due to the increase interest in solar and wind power Regional Planning asked for townships to donate an amount of hours from their technical assistance hours bank to determine language for zoning;

A motion by Pat Artz, seconded by Robert Cherry to donate four (4) hours from the Townships' technical assistance bank for the pooling of hours to implement language for the purpose of wind and solar polar. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

Jim also advised the Trustees that there is a truck that is constantly parked on a Halwick a thru road in Forest Ridge. Currently there are no parking signs on cul de sacs and no parking on this side of

the street; Chris Meduri advised you should not act on this until signs are in place. Stan supported that this truck is constantly parked here making it hard for the plow trucks to plow this area. The Trustees told Jim to contact the Sheriff tomorrow and ask if they can drive by and issue a ticket if it is parked there, if no resolution Mr. Cherry would contact Sheriff Doak for assistance.

A motion by Pat Artz, seconded by Robert Cherry to approve and open a PO not to exceed \$3,000.00 to Quality IP for the purchase; install of two (2) computers for the zoning office. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINEES

TRUSTEES

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to schedule a Spring drop-off at the township building on April 25, 2009; also, to approve and open a PO in the amount of \$1,600.00 to R & R Sanitation for four (4) dumpsters. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to “establish and notify the video service providers who offer video service in Ravenna Township that the statutory video service provider fee of five % (5) of the video service provider(s) gross revenue as described by statute shall be paid to Ravenna township”. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to open and approve a PO in the amount of \$11,250.00 to Ravenna Township Fire Com center for 2nd qtr dispatching fees. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to authorize an advance in the amount of \$55,000.00 from the general fund #1000 to fund #2111 fire fund. This should cover payroll for March 27th and currently expenditures were paid and fund #2111 is negative \$-25,311.64. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

Trustee Artz stated she wants a letter from the Trustees to the Commissioners asking for their intent to take over Fire Com or assist financially by March 31, 2009, in the letter it will state without assistance Ravenna Township will precede with eliminating FireCom center within the next few months. Chairman Cherry indicated that he will write the letter.

A motion by Robert Cherry, seconded by Pat Artz to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 P.M. Roll call: Mr. Cherry, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes. The motion passed.

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN

VICE CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER

TRUSTEE