

Union Township Board of Trustees Meeting – September 16, 2019

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Union Township Trustees for September 16, 2019 called to order at 6:00pm by Trustee Koch, President of the Board. The Fiscal Officer called the roll with the following members present:

Fred Vonderhaar – here, Tony Ledford – here, Chris Koch – here.

Trustee Ledford led the group in prayer. Trustee Koch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Koch – Is there anyone in the audience that would like to address the trustees this evening? Nothing to report.

Police – Nothing to report.

Chief Napier – Was notified by Fema that we received a grant for 156,000. To replace our airpaks. Our portion of the grant is 7,436.00 to replace 22 airpaks, two bottles and masks, about 30 masks actually so everyone will have their own. We can still use the bottles we have, and it will increase the number of bottles we have in stock by 44. Right now we have 40 bottles. Even the air compressor we have was from a Fema grant. The next item is the Lowe grant, I am going to ask them again for 22,850.00 to make the payment on the 2012 squad. Last year we got 22,000.00 from that. It has paid for a lot of vehicles here and throughout the county. Veteran's Day, we are working with the Historical Society to host something on the November 9th. They are paying for everything, we are just providing the space to have it. Warren County Regional Planning called me today, they were supposed to be here tonight, but they can't so they will be here on the 7th. The Ohio Plan, I have their schedule of review to update policy coverage on our vehicles. I did up the cost of replacing our engine, since we purchased an engine and it went up. Gov Deals, I talked to him about the buyer's premium, so I have the options here for you guys to review. They did get the name and logo changed. The squad did sell for 8,600.00 last night. The 2006 expedition, I mentioned to you guys about passing it on. Franklin Township has a limited budget, and the chief at Franklin used to be the chief at Lebanon Fire Dept. I have contacted Adam Niece about the resolution, but if we decide to gift that to them, Franklin Township has to be the one to initiate the process. Adam said the consideration needs to be for at least \$100.00. It's a surplus vehicle at this time for us, but they will use it full time.

Trustee Koch – Let me congratulate you for putting this together and getting this grant through. It's a great thing for the Township and the fire department.

Josh Sandlin – A lady called from Warren County, for storm water, drainage, and facilities for our salt bins. Cindy Meyer, she wants to come out and check things out. I'm not sure. Neal had me go out to Glosser to clean up the trees. We had a tree that got struck by lightning at the cemetery, the tree hasn't split but the bark is burnt. I will keep an eye on it, it's a pretty good sized tree. As far as the mower goes, the guy didn't show up. The bed on the pick-up is fixed, it's really on there. I still haven't gotten a chance to get over to the guy at Ford. Have we heard anything else about the bushes at the cemetery?

Art – Last fall, there were some patches done on Dry Run. Trustee Koch addressed Art, we are still waiting on a response from the County Engineer who we are working with to resolve the issue. We are working to get an answer from Barrett.

Trustee Vonderhaar – We are just waiting for the chip and seal to go on Glosser Road. We got a letter back from the Department of Commerce on the grant we applied for, we were not lucky enough to get it this year. We will work at that next year. I also have paperwork from Acomb that Josh was asking about, as far as doing the project. The number I've got here is about 3341.00, I know there was talk about Josh pulling out the bushes. I do want to put in a point for Greg, he came up with a colored drawing with pictures to submit with the application. He went above and beyond to do that. He didn't necessarily need to do that, but I just want to point that out to the other trustees. Josh can take them out if he wants to.

Trustee Vonderhaar made a motion for Acomb to install his landscaping proposal for the memorial, not to exceed 3500.00. Trustee Koch seconded. A roll call resulted in all "Yeas."

The Township association will be holding a meeting here at 6 o'clock on Thursday if that is still alright with everyone else. Any updates on the snow removal contracts? Chief Napier stated that Mike Williams is working with the County to get the roads dedicated, so they could be ours by the time the snow hits. Barb thinks the snow removal is the same as last year, but Maureen will be the one to know. Chief Napier said he would reach out to her.

The minutes of the meeting on August 19th were given to the Trustees before the meeting. Trustee Vonderhaar made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Koch seconded. A roll call resulted in all "Yeas."

Trustee Ledford – The salt bin is broken all to pieces, and I think we need to all take a look at it and see what we can do about getting it fixed. I'm not sure if we need to look at concrete or what. It would be good if Fred and Chris took a look at it. It washes out there, so we might need to pipe under it, because there's a lot of water that could cause all of that breakup. We might want to do it sooner rather than later before the salt gets on it.

Trustee Ledford made a motion to pay the bills with Trustee Vonderhaar seconding the motion. A roll call resulted in all "Yeas."

Trustee Koch – What happened with the zoning complaint on Lebanon Road? Tony replied, stating the village of South Lebanon picked it up, they were receiving complaints so Jim Smith had the Village clean it up because they received multiple complaints. 1653 Shawhan needs a letter, they still have not cut the grass. I saw a truck there one day, but it looks uninhabited. It's directly across from Carl Oeder's cattle farm. It was under Shawhan Road LLC. Trustee Koch asked Trustee Vonderhaar how Cox-Smith is coming, he stated that they are more than half way done. The roads from what he can tell have not been destroyed yet.

Trustee Koch – There being no further topics to discuss, Trustee Koch made a motion to adjourn at 6:56pm with Trustee Vonderhaar seconding the motion. A roll call resulted in all "Yeas." The next meeting will be on October 7th.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman of the Board