

Union Township Board of Trustees Meeting – August 19, 2019

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Union Township Trustees for August 19, 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 who would like to address the trustees this evening? Nothing to report.

Police – Two weeks ago on Columbia, inside of Union Township, on the line, a man claimed he had been assaulted. There's possible gang related activity there, but it seems to be self-inflicted.

Chief Napier – We are thinking of doing an open house here October 12th from 12-2, more details on that when we get closer. The old medic, someone from Inferno wants to get it, and trade for product instead. I think selling it on Gov Deals is the best option, it should fetch anywhere from \$1,000-10,000.00 ours should be towards the \$10,000 range. The issue that we are having is that we need new cots, ours are no longer being made, and the standards have changed. The cost recovered for the medic will cover a large part of one. The 2006 Expedition in the back is nearing its time to go. Massie and Franklin Township are both interested, but I see Franklin Township having a greater need. That's something to think about, we have been given a lot of stuff in the past, and it could be a good opportunity to give back. 9/11 lunch will be Wednesday at the same time. Cox-Smith will also be shut down for 11 weeks, we've had some complaints about buses not being able to get through, we have reached out to see if there can be some sort of notice sent to the residents, and a work around for the bus issue. Pending a response.

Trustee Koch – I want to back up for a second, and ask how many cots will we need? Chief answered two.

Josh Sandlin – I think we are in good shape. I am still looking at stand on mowers, John Deere didn't work, but I have been researching others. Exmark has a stand on I've heard a lot about, but I haven't found one to demo yet.

Trustee Koch – I reached out to several mowing contractors this week, and everyone said that a Wright stand on is the way to go. They are sort of funky looking, but they are supposed to be a great mower. I think we should consider looking at those as well. They are said to have invented the stand on. I know there used to be a Wright dealer outside of Wilmington. Lastly, did we ever hear back from the guy who was going to do the dirt at the cemetery? Josh reported that we have not.

Trustee Vonderhaar – Following up on Josh, the 2006 F550 really needs looked at, and considered replacing it before we start putting a lot of money in it, it is rusting. Josh should start looking at something to replace it. Chevrolet and Fords are what appear to be on the state bid. Tony agrees – we need to start looking. If Josh could tell us what we need, and start looking, it would help us. The pick-up also needs to go, it's what we use to do the crack sealing.

Trustee Koch – We need to consider maybe just renting a truck for the week or so we use it for crack sealing, versus the cost of replacing it entirely.

Trustee Vonderhaar – We also need to talk about Dry Run Road, Mr. Weber sent out an emailing outlining our options for what we can and can't do with Barrett, over our previous deal. We can ride it out, or we can make a decision before Barrett changes their mind. I like the last option, where they send us a check for \$2200.00 and we finish the project out ourselves. They initially said they would take care of the large hump, and option two was they come out, and then give us a credit back, but we need to make a decision. We will lean on the County to push this for us, because it isn't a given yet. We will get Kurt behind it to push for us.

Trustee Ledford – I thought they agreed to come back, but we should've made it go from centerline over to smooth it out, because then you have to drop a paver by hand, and it's not good.

Trustee Koch – I didn't know that you could go to the centerline and get a paver in there, but we know now and it won't happen again. It feels like it's a little smoother than when it first got put down, but maybe we should just take the \$2200.00 since we know we will have to revisit the issue later. Trustee Ledford agreed.

Trustee Vonderhaar- I make a motion that we attempt to get \$2200.00 back from Barrett Paving through the county in order to settle our dispute or problem on Dry Run Road, based on the county helping us get it done. Trustee Ledford seconded. A roll call resulted in all "Yeas."

I'm not sure if this is anything important or not, but I know Union Township is a part of a big electrical line coming through.

Trustee Koch – I met with their representative today, they are not in Lebanon yet, but they anticipate being in Union Township in the winter months, maybe January and February. It comes across my farm, across through Stubbs Mill, Shawhan, and across 71. They turn somewhere below Big Turtle.

The minutes of the meeting on August 5th were given to the Trustees before the meeting. Trustee Vonderhaar made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Ledford seconded. A roll call resulted in all "Yeas."

Trustee Ledford – I came through Riverwalk the other day, and the cross over joints are pretty jarring. We need to do something about that, Josh maybe can get out there and look at it. I'm a big fan of just milling it, two foot wide. We have a Bobcat with a head on it, so I'm sure Josh is more than welcome to borrow it, and I can come out and show him how to do it. You just grind them down and fill them with black top, and run the plate compactor over it. If you can just go check it out, and come up with how many you've got. I also think we need to go ahead and give Josh the title of superintendent, it's been a year and he's done a great job running the show since then and has proven himself. Trustee Koch agreed that he has been doing a great job, and it is time to give him the title.

Trustee Ledford made a motion to give Josh the title of superintendent. Trustee Vonderhaar seconded. A roll call resulted in all "Yeas."

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

Trustee Koch – There being no further topics to discuss, Trustee Koch made a motion to adjourn at 7:00pm with Trustee Vonderhaar seconding the motion. A roll call resulted in all "Yeas." The next meeting will be on September 3rd.

Fiscal Officer

Chairman of the Board