

January 23, 2024

Salem Township Trustees - At the Salem Township Conference Room

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The Salem Township Board of Trustees met on January 9, 2024 in regular session at the Salem Township Fire Station Conference Room for the purpose of transacting the business of the Township. Trustee Susan Ramsey called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with Trustee Ralph Blanton and Heath Kilburn present. Mrs. Ramsey led all those present in the pledge to the flag.

Meeting Minutes:

- The trustees read the minutes from the January 9, 2024 meeting. Mr. Blanton made a motion to approve the minutes. Mrs. Ramsey seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey – yea Mr. Kilburn – abstained

Fire Department: Asst Fire Chief Moenster reported:

- Have been busy with assisting fire with surrounding fire departments.
- Weather has been cold enough that we are able to do Ice Rescue training at Oeder's Lake.
- Presented to accept Cadet Parker Howard. Mr. Kilburn made a motion to accept Cadet Parker Howard. Mr. Blanton second the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey – yea Mr. Kilburn – yea

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Mike Yetter reported:

- Legal counsel confirmed:
 - Mason Morrow Milgrove Rd case is closed
 - Trovillo Rd. case is closed
- Meeting with Legal counsel regarding permit for runway.

Guest comments:

- Gary Paynter said welcome back to Zoning Inspector Mike Yetter. So nice to have back. Everyone agreed.
- Jerry Martin asked about the ice bumps on Gilmore Rd. Mr. Blanton explained that a house had a water break – but is has been taken care of.

Trustee Heath Kilburn Reported

- Update on Ward Rd – we have had dirt being hauled in. Weather has been a factor and slowing us down. Going to look into a heavy Equipment Co. to rent equipment from. Neighbor on Ward Rd. offered equipment – concerned about liability on Township.

Trustee Ralph Blanton Reported:

- Shadow Lawn Culvert update – No update from WC Engineers office. Someone suggested Clark Excavating who have down work for other Townships. Reached out to them and they are going to give us a quote.
- New Township Building update: Working on receiving quotes for using basic bid specs for underground utilities and concrete for office and restroom area.

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Trustee Ralph Blanton Reported continued:

- Sent an e-mail asking for volunteers for a 911 review committee. Received one volunteer, Darryl Cordrey of Hamilton Township. Mr. Blanton made a motion to approve resolution 2024-01 to select Darryl Cordrey of Hamilton Township to serve as a member of the Warren County 911 program review committee. Mr. Kilburn second the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey – yea Mr. Kilburn – yea

- Received an e-mail from WC Engineers office asking if we are going to participate in the 2024 Resurfacing and Seal & Chip projects. Mr. Blanton to approve Resolution 2024-02 to participate in the Warren County 2024 Resurfacing and Chip & Seal project. Mrs. Ramsey second the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey – yea Mr. Kilburn – yea

- Received estimated cost of \$291,210.00 for road projects submitted to the Warren County Engineers office. Mr. Blanton made a motion to accept the Estimate received from the WC Engineers office in the amount of \$291,210.00. Mrs. Ramsey second the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey – yea Mr. Kilburn – yea

- Received 2023 Township Highway system Mileage certification stating 23.995 miles of public roads. Mr. Blanton made a motion to certify that as of December 31, 2023 the township is responsible for maintaining 23.995 miles of public roads. Mr. Kilburn second the motion. Two copies of certification were signed and will be submitted to the WC Engineers office.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey – yea Mr. Kilburn – yea

- Reminder the Ohio Township Association Conference is February 7,8,and 9, 2024 in Columbus. Hotel reservations have been made. Asked Fiscal office to complete tax exemption forms requested from the hotels. She said she will have them ready next week.

Trustee Susan Ramsey Reported:

- Received a notice from WC Records department Rate increases.

Cemetery updates:

January 2024 Cemetery

01/13/24	Morris Howard	Sec 5 Lot 181	NE Corner	Vale's
01/26/24	Bonnie Blanton	Sec 5 Lot 55	NE Corner #2	Tuft's

Fiscal Business: Vicky VonHolle, Fiscal Officer

- Presented the trustees with payroll and bills that are ready for payment. Mrs. Ramsey made a motion to approve the payroll and to pay the bills as presented. Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey – yea Mr. Kilburn – yea

Adjournment:

With no further business to come before the board, Mrs. Ramsey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46pm. Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mrs. Ramsey – yea Mr. Kilburn – yea