

**March 23, 2021**

**Salem Township Trustees - At the Salem Township Conference Room**

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The Salem Township Board of Trustees met on March 23, 2021 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 Trustees Heath Kilburn and Ralph Blanton present. Mrs. Ramsey led all those present in the pledge to the flag.

**Others present:** Greg Gatman, Bob Stewart, Joe Garrett, Gary & Teresa Paynter, Bob Glancey, Sheriff Sims

**Meeting Minutes:**

The trustees read the minutes from the march 9, 2021 meeting. Mr. Blanton made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

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

**Fire Department: Fire Chief Harrison**

- Requested to send out for bids for a new Tanker. Mr. Blanton made a motion to get bids for a new tanker. Mrs. Ramsey seconded the motion.

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

- Covered State of Ohio burning laws ORC 1503.18 Call the Fire department to report
- Mrs. Ramsey ask if the Fire Dept plans to do a Fish Fry. He said yes – planning to do it in Sept/Oct. We want to do it in House as usual.
- Mrs. Ramsey asked if the heat pump was fixed? He said yes – Rick’s heating and Cooling had to replace it.

**Zoning: Mike Yetter**

- Melanie Morris Property St. Rt. 22/3 – They have started work on the property. Mr. Kilburn ask him to look into it. Mr. Yetter said he will – to make sure that it’s an acceptable fill.
- Lisa & Christopher Gilton property located at 7551 Woodward Claypool Rd. Preparing a site plan and are going to apply for a permit
- April Morgan - 5094 Pinecrest Dr. Letter went out
- Christina & Matt Hughes – 3855 Washington Way – Letter went out – Rooster violation
- Jamie Owens Variance – 5036 Salem Rd. – Side yard setback – received letter today
- Mailing for property owners for invite – Received a quote from Minuteman Press – 1680 Parcels – 2500 \$530.58 Regional Planning will put the invite together. RPC are getting ready Articles 3 & 4 for review. [www.salemzoningupdate.com](http://www.salemzoningupdate.com)
- Mrs. Ramsey asked him to look into the property next to the barber shop. She has received several phone calls asking if they are running a business out of it. There is a lot of junk out front of the fencing.

**Cemetery updates:** None

**Guest comments:**

- Sheriff Sims attended tonight’s meeting to go over the 2020 Year in Review. The trustees thanked him for coming and appreciate his department and all they do for all of our residents.
- Joe Garrett attended tonight’s meeting to present the bids that they have received for the renewal. He recommends the Energy Harbor for 24 months. Current company Constellation did not re-bid. Mr. Blanton Made a motion to accept the Energy Harbor company for 24 months. Mrs. Ramsey second the motion.

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

- Teresa Paynter asked Heath Kilburn if the Village is still putting in the splash park in the Village of Morrow? He said yes as far as he knows – they have applied for a grant.

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**Trustee Ralph Blanton reported:**

- Buying cemetery lots back – he was asked what the pricing is for the township to buy back lots. The ORC states mutual price. Mrs. Ramsey asked what other townships do? HE said he wasn't sure and he would look into it. Mr. Kilburn is going to look and see if our cemetery rules have anything in there about it.
- A lot of dead trees along Achterman and Gheils Carrol Rd. Mr. Kilburn suggest that he get a quote from Flint Co. along the right away.
- Repairs on old dump truck from Glen Goodwin Co. in Pleasant Plain would be \$1,140.00. Mr. Kilburn made a motion to accept the quote. Mrs. Ramsey second the motion.

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

**Trustee Susan Ramsey reported:**

- Mrs. Ramsey asked policy on sale of Cemetery Lots. Suggest that we do not take payments. Plots are to be paid for in full. Currently are taking payments on three lots from one person. We will continue with that one until it is paid in full. Mrs. Ramsey made a motion that cemetery rules state plots are to be paid for in full at the time of purchase. Mr. Kilburn second the motion.

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

**Fiscal Business: Mrs. VonHolle, Fiscal Officer**

- Presented the trustees with bills that are ready for payment. Mr. Kilburn made a motion to approve 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, Mr. Kilburn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at :36pm. Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

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