

**August 23, 2022**

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

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The Salem Township Board of Trustees met on August 23, 2022 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 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 August 9, 2022 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: Fire Chief Harrison reported:**

- Requested to hire Christopher Thomas as Volunteer Fire Fighter Mr. Kilburn made a motion to hire Christopher Thomas as Volunteer Fire Fighter Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

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

- Requested to promote Ronald Jones to the open Captain position. Mr. Blanton made a motion to promote Ronald Jones to the open Captain position. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

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

- Requested to hire Donald Books as full-time fire paramedic. Mr. Blanton made a motion to hire Donald Books as full-time fire paramedic. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

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

- Received three new electric cots. Reminder that we received the funds to purchased the two from a donation.

- Called out to six structure fires this past week. The guys have been doing a good job for them to be so busy.

**Zoning Update: Nothing at this time**

**Guest comments:** See list of attendance –

- Greg Gatman plans to attend the Variance training meeting on August 25<sup>th</sup>. He asked if he could get reimbursed for his mileage to and from the meeting. Mr. Kilburn made a motion to approve reimbursing Mr. Gatman for mileage to and from the Variance meeting scheduled on August 25<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

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

- Ron Brinkman addressed the Trustees on a few issues:

- Waynesville Rd. looks great. Mr. Blanton thanked him and said that they are still waiting for the birming work to get done.
- Morrow Plaza – wanted to know if it had been sold. Mr. Kilburn reported that the Village of Morrow has made an offer to purchase the plaza and they are waiting to hear back from the owner.
- Requested a copy of the Townships Financials. Mr. Kilburn gave him his copy from tonight’s meeting.

**Trustee Ralph Blanton reported:**

- Presented a rough sketch of the layout for the new building. Would like to get at least just structure up before the end of the year. Ready to get updated prices on having the maintenance building built. Mr. Blanton made a motion to send out for bids to have the maintenance building built. Mrs. Ramsey seconded the motion.

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

- Mower is down. It’s at Koenig’s to be looked at. They said that it could be two weeks before they have time to look at it.

- Going to be ordering salt. Salt bin is empty.

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**Trustee Heath Kilburn reported:**

- Morrow Meadows – Received pricing of \$10,000.00 from Leaders to do crack repairs. Mr. Blanton made a motion to hire Leaders Co. to do crack repairs at Morrow Meadows in the sum of \$10,000.00. Mrs. Ramsey seconded the motion.

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

- Suggested that we get the guys started on working on cutting trees back – everyone agreed.

**Trustee Susan Ramsey reported:**

- Inquired about employee Greg Webb and his family from the loss of his mother in the rain storm in KY. Mr. Blanton said that he is hanging in there.
- Received a call from Greg Kelly. He asked for permission to clean up old grave sites of family members. Everyone agreed it was fine.
- Received two calls about tall grass at 4070 Traude Ct.

**Cemetery updates:**

**July 2022 Cemetery**

07/30/22      Diane Gail Mitten                      Sec 4   Lot 26                      Center West                      Tufts

**Fiscal Business: Vicky VonHolle, Fiscal Officer**

- Presented the trustees with payroll and bills that are ready for payment. Mr. Kilburn 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, Mr. Kilburn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm. Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

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