

**September 13, 2022**

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

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The Salem Township Board of Trustees met on September 13, 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 23, 2022 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 reported:**

- Tanker 71 is out of service. Looking at cost to have it repaired. We are at least a year and half out on the new one.
- Ronald Jones and Donald Books first day full time will be September 16, 2022

**Zoning Update:**

Mrs. Ramsey reported that Mrs. Austin will not be here this evening. She is meeting with residents on Lake Rd. regarding splitting lots.

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

- Greg Gatman reported:
  - Street light out on Lake Rd.
  - Attended the Variance training meeting on August 25<sup>th</sup>. He was told from Bruce McGary that this would not pertain to him, so he left. Mrs. Ramsey made a motion to reimburse him for a total of 15 miles round trip. Mr. Blanton second the motion.

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

- Paul Kilburn attended tonight’s meeting to follow up on how the tree trimming is going. Mr. Blanton reported that the guys have been working on it.
- Gary Paynter addressed the Trustees on a few issues:
  - Street light out on Ward Rd.
  - Waynesville Rd. looks great. Mr. Paynter asked if the Township has to do the berm work? His concern is the gravel is just going to wash down in the ditch and when he is weed trimming – it’s just going to be flying everywhere. Mr. Blanton replied that we do have to do it for safety reasons.

**Trustee Ralph Blanton reported:**

- 5300 John Deere Mower is still down. Waiting to hear form Koenig on cost for parts and repair.
- Received quote from Flint on large oak tree at cemetery. Take it out for \$4,500 or trim it for \$3,000. Mrs. Ramsey’s concern is it is going to have to come down later anyway – so if we just trim it then we will be looking at additional cost to take it down later. Mrs. Ramsey made a to remove the tree at the cemetery at the cost of \$4,500. Mr. Blanton second the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea                      Mrs. Ramsey – yea                      Mr. Kilburn – NO

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**Trustee Heath Kilburn reported:**

- Morrow Meadows –Leaders finished out there and it looks really good. Mr. Blanton reported that they missed a side street Misty Ridge and it needs done as well. Mr. Kilburn said that he will send them back out there to get it done.
- Reported that he has received a few calls from people saying that they can't get a hold of our Zoning Inspector. And if they do – it's taking a long time to get permits completed. Mrs. Ramsey said that she will follow up with her.
- Received a bid on the Pole Barn Building. Reminder that bids need to have Engineering Stamp. Mr. Blanton said that he will follow up with a few people on his end. Hopes to get more bids before next meeting.
- Asked if the township has received any OPIDS funds from the state? Mrs. VonHolle reported that we have not. He asked that if and when we do – that we put those funds in their own account fund to tract spending. Everyone agreed.

**Trustee Susan Ramsey reported:**

- Received calls from residents from Ray Ct. The Pot holes are really bad. Mr. Blanton said that he will get it on the schedule.
- Received a call that an auto repair business is being ran out of the address 4236 Foster Maineville Rd. She is going to request our Zoning Inspector look into it.
- Received complaints from resident that 3690 Bramble Bush has (2) 2600 lb trucks running in out of subdivision of all hours of the day and night. Mr. Blanton said that he has seen those same complaints. He has even drove out there and hasn't seen any. He will look into it.

**Cemetery updates:**

**August 2022 Cemetery**

08/13/22      Roger D. Patrick      Sec 5 Lot 17      Center West      Vales

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

- Presented Resolution 22-09 to Approve the Assessment for Artificial Street Lighting in the Lighting Districts of the Township. Mr. Blanton made a motion to approve Resolution 22-09 to Approve the Assessment for Artificial Street Lighting in the Lighting Districts of the Township. Mrs. Ramsey second the motion.

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

- 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 7:46pm. Mr. Blanton seconded the motion.

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