

October 13, 2020

Salem Township Trustees - At the Salem Township Conference Room

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The Salem Township Board of Trustees met on October 13, 2020 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 Trustee Heath Kilburn present. Mrs. Ramsey led all those present in the pledge to the flag.

Others present: Greg Gatman, Gary & Teresa Paynter, Jason & Samantha Sambi, Joseph French, Allison Jordan, Hunter and Stephanie Montgomery, John and Diana Fischer and Joe Garrett with Trebell Electric.

Cemetery updates: None

Meeting Minutes: The trustees read the minutes from the September 22, 2020 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: Chief Harrison presented:

- Parking lot needs some patch work and repairs. Material and Labor will run around \$2,500.00. Mr. Blanton made a motion to approve the Material and Labor cost of \$2,500 to make repairs to the parking lot. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea

Mrs. Ramsey - yea

Mr. Kilburn – Yea

- Presented Resolution #20-03 adopting the WC Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation 5-year Plan update. Mr. Blanton made a motion to approve Resolution #20-03. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea

Mrs. Ramsey - yea

Mr. Kilburn – Yea

- Asked to replace Assistant Chief Moenster with a captain so he can train the captain before he moves assistant Chief Moenster to days. Mr. Blanton made a motion to hire a Co-Captain to start next year. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea

Mrs. Ramsey - yea

Mr. Kilburn – Yea

- Introduced guest Diana and John Fischer. Diana asked to address the trustees to let them know that she would not be alive today if it wasn't for our Emergency team. They moved to Salem Township over a year ago and were concerned about living in a rural area and the efficiency of the Fire and Emergency Department getting to them. She was here today to tell everyone that they are "Amazing"! Montgomery was the first one to get to her and he stayed with her entire time. She is a nurse with Tri-Health and she knew what was happening and what to expect – she had just taken a refresher class about "Recognizing the symptoms of a Heart Attack for Women". She is Blessed and Proud to live a community that has such a well-trained department. She presented the Salem-Morrow Fire Department with a Certificate of Achievement from the American Heart Association. She then presented Plaques to Assistant chief Moenster and Montgomery - thanking them for their knowledge, training and human kindness. Wampler was not here tonight but she said she will be back to give him his plaque. Her Husband John Fischer also thanked everyone involved for saving his wife's life. She has used her experience for future training. Tri-Health made an educational video about heart attack symptoms and used her story and featured Salem Township Moenster, Montgomery and Wampler in the video and pod cast as well. The Trustees thanked her for coming. Mr. Blanton said it is always nice to see a happy ending and hear the good that our team is doing. Mrs. Ramsey agreed and thanked her again for coming and telling her story. Mr. Kilburn thanked them for coming and said he is also proud of our team. Everyone Loves a Fireman.
- Swearing in Ceremony - Mrs. Ramsey was proud to swear in full time employees James Montgomery and John French. Several of their fellow firefighters and families were here to be a part of it.

Zoning: Zoning Inspector Mike Yetter reported:

- 5054 Salem Rd. – High Grass – Received recommendations from Legal counsel. Mr. Blanton made a motion to declare the property a public nuisance. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea

Mrs. Ramsey - yea

Mr. Kilburn – Yea

Mr. Kilburn recommends that we request to have a WC Deputy accompany our employees to the property to mow and use the weed trimmer. Mr. Blanton will be the contact person for the deputy to coordinate with the employees.

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Zoning: Zoning Inspector Mike Yetter reported – continued:

- 6164 St. Rt. 22/3 – the Property with the burned Structure – Mrs. Ramsey saw that heavy equipment was moved in today on the lot, assuming to start cleaning it up. Mr. Blanton made a motion to declare the property a public nuisance, in case they do not get it cleared out – then we can move forward with the filing the coning complaint. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

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

- 5068 Salem Rd - Gandy Property with Junk Vehicles – He has yet to be served with the complaint. Mr. Yetter will follow up with legal counsel to see if we can declare junk vehicles as a public nuisance. He will report back.

Trustee Ralph Blanton reported:

- Introduced guest Joe Garrett with Trebelle Eclectic Co. Renewal coming in June of 2012. Should be sending out for bids sometime in March 2021.
- Dumpster service rates going up. Mr. Kilburn said he will call and get prices form other companies.
- Received quote from WC Engineers for boring Shawhan Rd. \$6,100.00 and additional cost for recommendations. Mr. Kilburn suggests that we use that money to repair it. Mrs. Ramsey agreed.
- Bennett Rd. – Road is in bad shape in several spots and needs some work done on it. Wait until we make repairs before we put new lines on it. He is also going to contact the WC Sheriff's office and ask them to monitor the traffic and speeding on the road. Also going to look at having the speed limit changed from 45 to 35. There is a No truck sign on one side – going to see about putting another one up on the other side. He is also going to check with the LM School Bus Garage and see about them not using that road as a short cut. Mrs. Ramsey and Mr. Kilburn agreed. .

Fiscal Business: Mrs. VonHolle, Fiscal Officer:

- Requested a budget amended certificate for the additional \$131,422.36 funds received from the Cares Act Funds. Mr. Blanton made a motion to accept the budget amended certificate. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

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

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

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

Adjournment: With no further business to come before the board, Mr. Blanton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

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