

December 12, 2006

December 12, 2006 7:00 P.M.

The Salem Township Board of Trustees met December 12, 2006 in regular session at the Township Hall for the purpose of transacting the business of the Township. Vice Chairman Dick Dare called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with member Rob Glancy present. Dick Kilburn was absent.

Others present were Bill Harrison, Richard Bierley, Donald Lynch, Ralph Blanton, Lee Short, Fred LaFollette, Gary Hamm and Jonathan Evans.

The minutes were read and approved and posted in the township hall.

Cemetery Update

12/2/06 Dorothy Reed Sec 4 Lot 124 #2 SW Corner

12/2/06 Dorsianna Peters Sec 4 Lot 81 #2 NE Corner Cremation

12/11/06 Grace Kelly Sec 5 Lot 120 #2 NE Corner

Zoning – Lynch property

Mr. Lynch told the board he had been able to get in touch with a title service to try to get a title on the bus. He said even if he wanted to donate it to the Goodwill, he would need a title.

Property adjoining Brook Drive

Gary Hamm, who bought the land at the end of Brook Drive in Rebecca Station, was present to address a problem he has with the development of this piece of property. He had wanted to put a cul-de-sac in and develop it into 4 lots and build homes in the \$300,000 range. However, he has been told that the engineer's office is going to recommend that they put in a stub road instead to allow for future development that would meet up with Woodward Claypool Road. He wanted to know if he had to do this, and because the rest of the subdivision is on less than 2 acre lots, could he get a variance to make less than 2-acre lots out of his property. The expense to put in the stub road will be a lot more than the cul-de-sac; therefore, he would need to build 6 houses to make a profit. The board told him there isn't a variance for that type of request. He told the board that the health department has check it out and says it is ok for 6 houses. The perk test has been done and it passed. A PUD was mentioned as a possibility along with other ways to make the development work. The trustees and fire department were in favor of the cul-de-sac development in order to provide a turn around for any traffic or fire/rescue equipment. Either Rob or Dick will call Dave Mink at the county engineer's office to see why they don't want the cul-de-sac and to voice their preference for that choice rather than the stub road.

Miscellaneous Zoning

Richard issued two permits for new homes. No other zoning matters were discussed.

Fire Department/Road Report

Mitigation Plan Grant Meeting

Fred and Bill plan to attend a meeting in Columbus on December 19th to learn how to apply for grants to move firehouses out of flood plains. They hope to be able to help with the construction of the new firehouse this way.

Catholic Cemetery

Rob Glancy stated he has communication from Gary Loxley and Bruce McGary regarding the cemetery. They say the township will have to take it over. There is no way to get out of the obligation. But they also said it is up to the township whether repairs are done. The township is not obligated to do any repairs to existing headstones and can accept it in an "as is" condition.

Miscellaneous Matters

Dick Dare asked Fred to have the crew check on a missing speed limit sign lying in the road and have them put it back up.

Rob Glancy has had some calls from neighbors on Waynesville Road who are concerned about the number of cars that have gone off the road where Halls Creek cuts off from Waynesville. He questioned whether it would be helpful to put up guardrail. Fred stated that if guardrail were put up, the township would just be replacing it every week from the cars running into it. Other alternatives were discussed but no solution to the problem was found.

The annual road inventory meeting will be at the Warren County Engineer's office on December 20th at 10:30 AM. Dick Dare said he and Dick Kilburn would attend.

Fiscal Business

Appropriation Modification

Debbie requested approval from the board for the following appropriation modifications: Increase 10A02 Retirement Decrease 10A08 Tools & Equipment \$10,000.

Increase 04C03 Contracts Decrease 04C04 Other Expense \$ 8,000

Rob Glancy made a motion to pass Resolution 06-1212 to approve the modifications to the appropriations as requested by the Fiscal Officer. Dick Dare seconded the motion.

Vote: Glancy, yea Dare, yea

Approval to pay bills

The clerk presented checks # 4446 through #4445 which totaled \$87,015.99

The board examined the bills that were presented for payment and Dick Dare made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Rob Glancy seconded the motion.

Vote: Dare, yea Glancy, yea

Receipts

For this reporting period the fiscal officer deposited receipts in the amount of \$13,925.30. This amount included receipts #5533 through #5541.

With no further business to come before the board, Rob Glancy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 P.M. Dick Dare seconded the motion.

Vote: Glancy, yea Dare, yea