

Minutes December 14, 2010 Meeting

The Salem Township Board of Trustees met December 14, 2010 in regular session at the Salem Morrow Fire Station Conference Room for the purpose of transacting the business of the Township. President Kirk Ramsey called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with members Dick Dare and Ralph Blanton present. Mr. Ramsey led all those present in the pledge of allegiance.

Others present were: Donald Lynch, Mike Kassalen, Lee Short, Fred LaFollette, Bob Glancy, Bob Vail, Ron Stratton, Mr. & Mrs. David Opperman, Victor Falco, Joe Falco and Deputy Dulle.

The minutes were approved as read and were posted in the building.

Cemetery Update

No changes to the cemetery records for this period.

Donald Lynch had no new business to bring before the board.

The Deputy from the Warren County Sheriff's office stopped by to see if there were any concerns from the area residents. He reminded people to keep an eye out for unfamiliar vehicles in their neighborhoods.

Boy Scout Eagle Project

Victor Falco presented a bound Veterans Log for the Morrow Cemetery. This was his project to obtain the rank of Eagle Scout. He told the board it had taken about 200 hours to research the cemetery maps and match the grave sites to the map. He had around \$200 invested in the project. The log was nicely bound and makes a wonderful asset to the cemetery records.

Donald Lynch suggested as a follow-up they add any veterans located in the other small cemeteries in the township.

Zoning

Mike Kassalen had no new zoning matters to bring before the board.

Fire Department

Chief LaFollette asked the board to approve removing Joshua Rothenberger from the active role as he had never shown up after being hired. The board approved this action. He also brought up the renewal of officers for 2011 to serve on the Volunteer Firefighters Dependency Fund. He asked Lee Short, Dick Dare and Kirk Ramsey to serve along with himself.

Dick Dare made a motion to approve the four listed names to serve on the board. Ralph Blanton seconded the motion. Vote: Dare, yea Blanton, yea Ramsey, yea

Kirk Ramsey brought up the matter of the 2011 Fire Department budget. He said he has looked at it and they have done a great job. They have worked up a 5-year budget and agree there is room for an increase this year.

Fred said he and Bill would like to propose \$.50 per hour for the part timers and John Moenster and \$.51 per hour for John Hatfield and Robert Edmonds. Note: the one cent difference is to get the salaries rounded up.

Dick Dare made a motion to approve these increases for the fire department personnel to be effective with the first pay in January, 2011. (1st day of increase would be December 24, 2010) Ralph Blanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Dare, yea Blanton, yea Ramsey, yea

Kirk mentioned that the crew had done a good job on the roads this weekend.
Fred reported that they had picked up a load of salt today.

Ralph Blanton presented the final agreement that had been approved by the parties involved in the legal matters over the construction of the fire station. After a brief discussion of the settlement, Mr. Blanton made a motion to accept the agreement with Applied Contracting Corp., McCall Sharp Architecture, Ohio Farmers Insurance Company and Salem Township pending the other parties signing the agreement. Kirk Ramsey seconded the motion.

Vote: Blanton, yea Ramsey, yea Dare, yea

Mr. Blanton also made a motion to release the final payment that is due to McCall Sharp Architecture.

Dick Dare seconded the motion.

Vote: Blanton, yea Dare, yea Ramsey, yea

Fiscal Business

Appropriation Modifications

The fiscal officer requested the board approve the following appropriation modifications:

Increase	Decrease	Amount
14A07	14A01	2,225.00
14A05A	14A04A	1,500.00
10A01	10A08	45,000.00

Dick Dare made a motion to pass Resolution 10-1214 to approve the modification to the appropriation accounts as requested by the fiscal officer. Ralph Blanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Dare, yea Blanton, yea Ramsey, yea

Approval to Pay Bills

The fiscal officer presented checks #9986 - #10066, 90036-90037 which totaled \$44,805.52.

The board examined the bills that were ready for payment and Ralph Blanton made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Kirk Ramsey seconded the motion.

Vote: Blanton, yea Ramsey, yea Dare, yea

For this reporting period the fiscal officer deposited receipts in the amount of \$11925.19. This amount included receipts #6931– #6935.

With no further business to come before the board, Dick Dare made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 P.M. Ralph Blanton seconded the motion.

Vote Dare, yea Blanton, yea Ramsey, yea