

Minutes July 10, 2012 Meeting

The Salem Township Board of Trustees met July 10, 2012 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 Heath Kilburn and Dick Dare present. Mr. Ramsey led all those present in the pledge of allegiance.

Others present: Chief Fred LaFollette, Donald Lynch, Ron Stratton, Lee Short, Matt Nolan, Frank Schlake, Ron Stratton, Asst. Chief Bill Harrison, Woodie Davis, Mike Kassalen and Ralph Blanton.

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

Cemetery

7/5/2012 Herbert Stroud Sec 4 Lot 321 Center West

Donald Lynch's first item of business was to ask the trustees if someone from the township had called the State Fire Marshall to investigate his business. Kirk Ramsey told him they had not called. He then asked who would have the authority to call. He was told that anyone could call.

He told the board he thought they had done a good job on the newsletter and asked if anyone could put an article in the newsletter. It is issued by the township and is not open to personal articles.

Next he brought up the proposed zoning change and asked the trustees not to vote for the sign change.

Woodie Davis thanked the fire department for their help in the storm and wind the previous Friday night. He said he had heard good comments about the newsletter.

Ron Stratton commented on the grill on the new squad.

Frank Schlake told about the trees that were blown down over wires with the wires lying on the road near his home. He said help was there in 15 minutes. Then he brought up the matter that the food pantry had lost power and all the frozen food was lost during the storm. He asked if there was anything that could be done to keep this from happening in the future.

He asked about getting a portable generator to prevent this loss again.

Chief LaFollette received the liability insurance renewal from OTARMA. There was a small increase this year. Dick Dare made a motion to accept the renewal. Kirk Ramsey seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Dare, yea Mr. Ramsey, yea Mr. Kilburn, yea

Chief LaFollette then brought before the board two resignations. Kristina Mullen is moving from the area and John Hatfield resigned for personal reasons. Heath Kilburn made a motion to accept these resignations. Dick Dare seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Kilburn, yea Mr. Dare, yea Mr. Ramsey, yea

The Chief then presented the names of two new volunteers to add to the roster. They are Grant Greely and Matthew Helton. Kirk Ramsey made a motion to approve hiring Mr. Greely and Mr. Helton on the volunteer roster pending the results of drug screens and physical exams. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Ramsey, yea Mr. Kilburn, yea Mr. Dare, yea

It was mentioned that the crew has been cleaning up in the Quaker cemetery. Greg Webb will be returning to work on Monday.

Assistant Chief Bill Harrison reported he had applied for and received an EMIS grant in the amount of \$3500.00. It will be used to help outfit the new squad.

He also talked about the great job the crews did in the storm. There were several injuries caused by people being hit by falling trees and branches.

Mr. Ramsey asked him to thank the men for a job well done on behalf of the township.

Asst. Chief Harrison then explained how complaints are made to the State Fire Marshall's office and the fact that you do not have to leave your name to make a complaint.

The fiscal officer reported that an insurance meeting for the employees has been scheduled for August 14th at 6:00 for the purpose of explaining their coverage and allowing a question/answer period.

Fiscal Business

Ms. Harper requested approval of the following appropriation modification:

Increase 1-A-27 Transfers Decrease 1-A-25 Contingencies \$212,772.22

Heath Kilburn made a motion to approve the modification as requested by the Fiscal Officer for the purpose of the transfer approved earlier to the Fire Fund. Kirk Ramsey seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Kilburn, yea Mr. Ramsey, yea Mr. Dare, yea

Next, the 2013 Budget was brought before the board for approval. Kirk Ramsey made a motion to pass Resolution 12-0710 for the purpose of approving the budget as prepared by the Fiscal Officer for Fiscal Year 2013 and submitting it to the Warren County Budget Commission. Heath Kilburn seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Ramsey, yea Mr. Kilburn, yea Mr. Dare, yea

Approval to Pay Bills

The fiscal officer prepared checks #12190- #12226, 91260-91265 which totaled \$247,554.13.

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

Vote: Mr. Dare, yea Mr. Ramsey, yea Mr. Kilburn, yea

For this reporting period the fiscal officer deposited receipts in the amount of \$219,123.30.

This amount included receipts #7487– #7494.

In zoning matters, Mike Kassalen, the zoning inspector, turned in one permit for a change at the Christmas Ranch

With no further business to come before the board, Dick Dare made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 P.M. Mr. Ramsey seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Dare, yea Mr. Ramsey, yea Mr. Kilburn, yea