Minutes November 11, 2014 Meeting

The Salem Township Board of Trustees met November 11, 2014 in regular session at the Salem Morrow Fire Station Conference Room for the purpose of transacting the business of the Township. President Heath Kilburn call the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with member Kirk Ramsey present. Ralph Blanton was out of town for a funeral. Heath Kilburn led all those present in the pledge to the flag and a moment of silence to honor all veterans. He took a few minutes to thank all the veterans for their service.

Others present: Don Lynch, Mike Kassalen, Bob Glancy, Woodie Davis, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Frederick, Asst. Chief Harrison, Alan Cornett, Gary Mummert, Stuart Smith, Jim Kilburn, Rita Kilburn, Paul Kilburn, Jim Yockey, and Diane Shepherd.

The minutes were read and approved and posted on the bulletin board.

Cemetery Updates
11/5/2014 Eileen Richardson Sec 5 Lot 53 Center West Vale's FH

Fire Department/Roads
Chief LaFollette reported everything is ready for winters. All the trucks have been checked out and are ready to go. It was mentioned that the township will have to engage a company to haul the salt from the river.
He told the board that Harlan Township is trying to use one of their trucks for sand only; no salt. Heath brought up using beet juice that is being tried by other entities.

John Poe thanked the board for getting the corner of 22-3 and Salem Road cleaned up.

Don Lynch complained that Mike Kassalen did not give him the copies that he had requested of the paperwork regarding the recent zoning change. He also turned in a written paper with his suggestions for changes to the zoning code as it is now. This paper is on file and available upon request.

Mike Kassalen, zoning inspector, turned in one permit for an addition. He asked Mr. Lynch if he did want those copies, as he had photographed them at the last meeting. He also said he did agree with Mr. Lynch about the 500 ft. business restriction and maybe change to mixed use. He said the Warren County Regional Planning Commission has also agreed with that.
Mike then reported he had gone to Wilmington to check out the family game business that Diane Shepherd has asked to put in the old Lykins building. After seeing what was there, he said he would not recommend it. He said there were only machines which were called skill machines, but the outcome from playing was to win money. Diane then stated that on Mon, Wed and Fridays they bring in food, all of which is free and on Friday night, they give away a TV. They keep 13% of what they make. Kirk Ramsey stated that if this business doesn't meet zoning and there's nothing in Salem Township code like it, he would be against it.

Heath Kilburn then stated he is not in favor of games of chance. He added that it appeared the board is not in favor of approving the establishment of this business in Salem Township and they should move on.

Don Lynch commented that zoning stops any kind of growth in the township.

Jim Frederick spoke on the proposed establishment and asked a question about the 100 ft. requirement from residential property. He said his personal opinion was that he would prefer not to see that kind of establishment going into the community.

Heath Kilburn reported there was a street light out at the end of Pinecrest Drive. Fred told him he had taken care of it already. Mr. Kilburn then said he would like to thank whoever it was that had put the flags out for Veterans Day.

Fiscal Business

The fiscal officer prepared checks #15262-15311, 91818-91820 which totaled $398,817.57.
The board examined the bills that were ready for payment and Kirk Ramsey made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Heath Kilburn seconded the motion.
Vote: Mr. Ramsey, yea Mr. Kilburn, yea

For this reporting period the fiscal officer deposited receipts in the amount of $168,408.60, which included receipts #8422 - #8428.

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

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