

**Salem Township Trustees****At the Salem Township Conference Room****August 14,****2018**

The Salem Township Board of Trustees met August 14, 2018 in regular session at the Salem Morrow Fire Station Conference Room for the purpose of transacting the business of the Township. President Ralph Blanton called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with members Heath Kilburn and Susan Ramsey present. Mr. Blanton led all those present in the pledge to the flag.

Others present: Chief Harrison, Don Lynch, Kim & Karen Morgan, Greg & Lynn Abrams, Greg Gatman, Kristin & Jason Smith, Andy Robach, Darlene Welling

**Cemetery Updates**

8/15/18 Greg Helton Sec 5 Lot 157 Center East Stines FH

The trustees read the minutes from the July 24, 2018 meeting and Susan Ramsey made a motion to approve these minutes. Heath Kilburn seconded the motion.

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

**Fire Department**

Chief Harrison reported the fire department had 85 runs for July.

He then brought up the new township website and explained a few things about it.

Chief asked the board to approve adding Chase Liddil to the cadet roster. Heath Kilburn made a motion to add the new cadet, Chase Liddil to the roster; seconded by Susan Ramsey. Vote: Mr. Kilburn, yea Mrs. Ramsey, yea Mr. Blanton, yea

Next he talked about the planned purchase of a new medic unit. They have the preliminary drawing and it should be completed in February or March of 2019 if ordered soon. As of now they are down to two functioning squads. He would like to go into contract with Horton's for this purchase. He told the board that the purchase can be made outright with no loan, as he has budgeted for it the last few years. The cost will be approximately \$231,700, but will probably be around \$232,000 with a few more options. Since Hamilton Township, Union Township and Salem have all agreed to purchase a new unit, they will each get a discount of approximately \$5,000. Heath Kilburn asked him what will happen to the old squad that is being replaced. Chief told him it will be placed on Gov.com to try to sell it. Heath Kilburn then made a motion to approve the purchase of a new medic unit; seconded by Susan Ramsey.

Next, Chief Harrison, made a presentation about the new website as far as it is done now. He gave a preview of what was loaded and what was yet to be loaded.

Greg Abrams, a township resident, was present to seek help in solving a problem concerning the shooting taking place at a gun range at the Conservation Camp on SR123. It is located about ½ mile from his home, and they do not feel safe. Rounds are falling in their yard, flying through their trees and close to their house and pool. They have found 7-8 spent rounds in their yard. They have talked to Sheriff Sims about his matter, but he is restricted in what he can do about it.

Ralph Blanton told him the township will investigate this matter and how it came about with no permits. He stated the township could go to the county prosecutor to see if there is anything that can be done to solve this problem.

Don Lynch brought up the following: stated it should be mandatory for the zoning inspector to be in attendance at the meetings, a need to record the meetings, a complaint that the 3-minute limitation was not applied to Mr. Abrams.

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Susan Ramsey commented that new signs recently erected in Union Township look great. She looked into where they were purchased, which was Kleem. The pricing for the kind that Union Township got was \$83.70 each for 20 purchased. Chief Harrison said he would look on the map and see how many are needed. Susan Ramsey then made a motion to move forward with this purchase; seconded by Heath Kilburn.

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

There was a problem in the cemetery with ground sinking near a grave; it has been taken care of.

It was mentioned there was a problem with the clutch in the 2000 International. It was sent to Wolfer's and they put a new clutch in.

**Fiscal Business**

Debbie Harper brought up the need to pass the annual street lighting resolution for the lighting districts in the township. There are currently three lighting districts.

Heath Kilburn made a motion to pass *Resolution 18-814 for Special Assessments for artificial street lighting in the three (3) street lighting districts in the township for a period of one (1) year per Section 505.08 of the Ohio Revised Code.*

Mrs. Ramsey seconded the motion.

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

The Fiscal Officer had prepared checks #19846-19895, 92805-92810 which totaled **\$62,225.29.**

The board examined the bills that were ready for payment and Susan Ramsey made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Heath Kilburn seconded the motion.

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

For this reporting period the fiscal officer deposited receipts in the amount of **\$11,384.05**, which included receipts #9963- #9973.

With no further business to come before the board, Susan Ramsey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 P.M. Heath Kilburn seconded the motion.

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

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 Ralph Blanton, Chairman

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 Deborah Harper, Fiscal Officer

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 Heath Kilburn

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 Susan Ramsey