

**Salem Township Trustees**

**At the Salem Township Conference Room**

**March 12,**

**2019**

The Salem Township Board of Trustees met March 12, 2019 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, Bob Stewart, Bobby Stewart, Judy and Doug Keck, Bob Glancy, Greg Gatman, and Sheriff Sims

**Cemetery Updates**

3/5/19            Norman Runyan            Sec 5 Lot 55 SE Corner    Hoskins Vale FH

The trustees read the minutes from the February 26, 2019 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

Sheriff Sims was present to give the annual report form the sheriff's office. As he began, he told the board that the Drug Task Force representative would come to another meeting to give their update so he wouldn't speak a lot about the drug issues. He reported that the end of year showed calls were down. They had two dogs retire last year, but have two new dogs in training. The Kings School District added a 2<sup>nd</sup> resource officer.

He spoke about the progress on the new jail and gave the July 15 ground breaking date. It is a 57 million dollar project.

**Fire Department**

Chief Harrison requested the board to approve a new cadet to the roll, Tyler Shank. Heath Kilburn made a motion to accept the addition of Cadet Tyler Shank; seconded by Susan Ramsey. Vote: Mr. Kilburn, yea Mrs. Ramsey, yea Mr. Blanton, yea

He then told the board that a former volunteer, Andrew Mack, was able to sign up again, and Matthew Puckett had applied to volunteer. Susan Ramsey made a motion to accept the addition of Andrew Mack and Matthew Puckett as volunteer firemen. Heath Kilburn seconded the motion.

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

Chief Harrison then talked about the annual fish fry to be held April 12<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-8:00.

He reported that today, he and the 3 trustees went to Horton's Emergency Vehicles to check out the new ambulance. It is 3 weeks away from delivery.

Heath Kilburn asked him if there had been any changes to the operation of the fish fry to keep the wait time down. Bill stated the fire they have purchased a 3<sup>rd</sup> fryer and have come up with some other changes to keep the lines moving.

Bob Glancy mentioned a problem in his area.

Judy Keck brought up a problem on Trovillo Road where they live. The road is very narrow and recently she had an incident with a school bus where she could not get through and the bus couldn't back up. There was a short discussion about the possibility of making the road one-way. No decision was made.

Mrs. Keck also mentioned that the red card she had reported before is still in the yard.

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Heath Kilburn has ordered the No Pets sign for the cemetery.

Ralph Blanton had a bid from Schneider Lawn Care for mowing in the cemetery. They did the mowing last year. It was the only bid he had received.

Heath Kilburn made a motion to accept the bid.

Susan Ramsey stated she would like to see if the township could get any more bids on this mowing.

There was no second to the motion to accept the bid, so the motion was dead.

Ralph Blanton will see if he can get a few more bids.

**Fiscal Business**

The Fiscal Officer had prepared checks #20594-20655, 92951-92956 which totaled **\$318,613.71**.

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

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

For this reporting period the fiscal officer deposited receipts in the amount of **\$13,900.37** which included receipts #10168- #10172.

With no further business to come before the board, Heath Kilburn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 P.M. Susan Ramsey seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Kilburn, yea Mrs. Ramsey, 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