

The Salem Township Board of Trustees met April 28, 2020 in regular session at the Salem Township Fire Station Conference Room for the purpose of transacting the business of the Township. President Susan Ramsey called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with board members Ralph Blanton and Heath Kilburn present. Mrs. Ramsey led all those present in the pledge to the flag.

Others present: Due to the Corona- 19 Virus this meeting was closed to the public but was streamed live on the website via Go To Meeting.

Cemetery updates: The board signed the deed for Terry Francis.

Meeting Minutes: The board read the minutes from the March 24, 2020 meeting and Ralph Blanton made a motion to approve these minutes. Heath Kilburn seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mr. Kilburn – Yea Mrs. Ramsey – Yea

Fire Department: Chief Harrison reported:

- Update on the new replacement vehicle:
 - Received hail damage from the last storm - he was able to get it taken care of
 - Outfitted at Tri-State
 - Sending it to Performance Graphics for decals
 - Line-X for rusting
- COVID-19 has been keeping them busy. They have finally been able to get PPE in stock.
- LED Sign is over-heating – he is working on it.

Zoning: Mike Yetter reported:

- Several permits have been filed and paid for – such as picnic shelter, Pool and out bldgs.
- He gave a list of names for the board to choose six for the BZA meetings. The board agreed on the six names chosen.
- He still does not have any updates on the house that burnt on 22/3. He will follow up with Legal Counsel again.

Trustee Blanton reported:

- Received a quote for the new bush hog from John Deere (Koenig) Mr. Blanton made a motion to purchase the bush hog at the price of \$2,622.75. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.
Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mr. Kilburn – Yea Mrs. Ramsey – Yea
- Reported that Barretts paving to start on projects. Hoping to be done by August 2020. Project totaling \$183,520.00. (Purchase Order signed tonight)
- Culverts have been installed by Freeze Underground, LLC. He did have to extend the one at Gheils-Carrol.
- Presented the board with an example of a Resolution for Calling a Special Meeting. We don't have one and there is a process to doing this is, if it is ever needed. He thinks it's a good idea if we adopt one in place for the future. Other Townships have had issues with the process because they did not have one in place. He asks that they look it over and we can discuss at the next meeting.
- The culvert at Phillis Road is need of being replaced. It has been brought to his attention that the township property line is split down the middle of that road with Union Township. He suggests that we work with them on splitting the cost. He is working on getting a quote. Estimated at around \$30,000.00.

- High Tension crews still working on project. They are still tearing up the roads and the Warren County Engineers office is aware of it. Not sure they are only doing one line now and will have to come back through and the second.

Trustee Ramsey reported:

- The next meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2020. She asks the board if we can open the meeting to the public or should we wait. Mr. Kilburn made a for the May 12, 2020 meeting to not be open to the public - but continue with the Go To Meeting live stream for now. Mrs. Seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea

Mr. Kilburn – Yea

Mrs. Ramsey – Yea

Fiscal Business:

Mrs. VonHolle, Fiscal Officer:

- Presented the board with bills that are ready for payment. Mr. Blanton made a motion to approve to pay the bills as presented. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.
Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea Mr. Kilburn – Yea Mrs. Ramsey – Yea
- For the reporting period April-1 through April 27, 2020 the fiscal officer deposited receipts in the amount of \$20,586.25.

Adjournment:

With no further business to come before the board, Mr. Blanton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:38pm. Mr. Kilburn seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Blanton – yea

Mr. Kilburn – Yea

Mrs. Ramsey – Yea