

Salem Township Trustees

At the Salem Township Conference Room

November 12, 2019

The Salem Township Board of Trustees met November 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 was out of town so Vice President Susan Ramsey called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with Trustee Heath Kilburn present. Mrs. Ramsey led all those present in the pledge to the flag.

Others present: Chief Harrison, Bob Glancy, Don Lynch, Greg Gatman, Asst Chief Moenster, Vicki VonHolle, and Mike Yetter

Cemetery Updates

11/8/19	Carl Kratzer	Sec 4 Lot 192	#2 SE	on Cleo's grave	cremation
11/8/19	Johnnie Hughes	Sec 5 Lot 176	#2 NE	Vale's FH	

The trustees read the minutes from the October 22, 2019 meeting and Heath Kilburn made a motion to approve these minutes. Susan Ramsey seconded the motion.

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

Fire Department

Chief Harrison gave the status of the updating of all the township policies. He is choosing forms to be used.

He has been reviewing pay rates for full time employees to try to find a way to keep them longer. He would like to increase the pay scale, but also have them pay a portion of their health insurance premium. The pay would increase, but they would pay a part of the insurance. This would affect eight employees.

Susan Ramsey made a motion to adopt the proposed pay scale to be effective December 13, 2019, which would be the first pay in January. Heath Kilburn seconded the motion.

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

Chief Harrison reported that they had received a Loeb Foundation Grant in the amount of \$19,000 and an EMS grant in the amount of \$3,250. He is applying for a Fire House Sub grant in the amount of \$30,000. This would be used to purchase 2 Lucas devices. These devices perform CPR in the place of an EMT person. It would free up a man to go on another run if necessary.

There have been many runs this month, but they have had enough men to cover all these runs.

Trustee Kilburn brought up the way the Fire Department does everything it can to provide good service to the community and the Lucas Device will add so much help for CPR cases.

Recently there were 2 residents in Morrow who were either taken to the hospital or had CPR performed by the squad members. They made a fire man themed figurine as a thank you for the service and presented it to the fire department. They also made one for the township.

The tire collection went very well with quite a few tires turned in.

Mike Yetter, zoning inspector, apologized for missing the last meeting. He had gotten his dates mixed up. He stated he will always try to be present at the 2nd meeting for sure.

He went on to report on zoning matters.

He said there will be a meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals on November 20th at 6:00 PM to elect officers. Also member Scott Charleton needs to be renewed. This would take his term to November 20, 2025. Heath Kilburn made a motion to renew the term for Scott Charlton for 5 years effective Jan 1, 2020. Susan Ramsey seconded the motion.

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

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Zoning continued:

Mr. Yetter then brought up zoning commission matters. He met with them regarding some text changes. The Warren County Regional Planning Commission would like to meet with the Salem Township board at their November 26th meeting regarding map amendments and fees. It will cost \$8,000 to make the changes and print copies.

Mrs. Ramsey then swore Mike Yetter in as the Zoning Inspector for this term in office.

Fiscal Business

Debbie Harper, Fiscal Officer, brought before the board the renewal of the Faithful Bond service provided by OTARMA. Heath Kilburn made a motion to have OTARMA provide the faithful performance bond of the township employees as required.

Susan Ramsey seconded the motion.

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

Ms. Harper, the Fiscal Officer, had prepared checks #21465-21527, 93142-93151, totaling \$62,550.05 for the board's approval.

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

For this reporting period the fiscal officer deposited receipts in the amount of \$135,730.33 which included receipts #10440- #10449.

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

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

ABSENT

Ralph Blanton, Chairman

Deborah Harper, Fiscal Officer

Heath Kilburn

Susan Ramsey