

RUSSELL FIRE-RESCUE STATION

May 21, 2014

Chairman Madden called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Trustees Gary Gabram, Justin Madden, and Jim Mueller were present; Fiscal Officer Chuck Walder was present. Zoning Inspector Ric Machnics was also present.

MINUTES: *Mr. Mueller made the motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 7, 2014, as presented. Mr. Gabram seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

POLICE DEPARTMENT: The police department is celebrating its 50th year anniversary.

VACATION BUYBACK: *Mr. Mueller made the motion to approve the buyback of 80 hours vacation time for Patrolman Scott Lillash. Mr. Gabram seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC WERE RECEIVED AND ACCEPTED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-TOWNSHIP SIGNS: Mr. Walder reported that he obtained quotes to replace the signs on the corner of 87 and 306 as they are in disrepair. The positioning of the sign was also discussed; if put at a 45 degree angle, only one double-sided sign would be necessary. The Road Department is able to properly take down and dispose of the old signs when the new ones are made.

SEWER COMPLETION: The Township has until October to complete the sewer tie-in project. Mr. Walder reported that the sewer lateral tie-in quotes obtained from last year are still being honored from Quality Excavating, the Mullet Company, Romano Ianiro Contractors, and C.U.E., LLC. The Road Superintendent will be consulted in the next meeting to finalize a decision.

ROAD-RECYCLING CENTER PAVING: Mr. Madden reported that the township cannot wait any longer to fix the recycling center. The EPA grants were not granted to Russell Township, so the funding must come directly from the budget. Zoning Inspector Ric Machnics suggested looking into under-drains which may reduce the amount of water on the asphalt and extend the life of the paving.

Mr. Gabram made the motion to approve \$30,000.00 for the Road Department to remove existing asphalt, install base material, and to asphalt resurface portions of the north drive area and rear of the current township Recycling Center. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ZONING-NE OHIO PLANNING & ZONING WORKSHOP: *Mr. Mueller made the motion to approve reasonable and necessary expenses for up to 4 people to attend the NE Ohio Planning & Zoning Workshop at Geneva State Park, Ohio on June 6th. Mr. Gabram seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next regular Trustees' meeting will be held Wednesday, June 4th, at 1:00 PM in the Fire-Rescue Department.

Scrap tire collection event: May 31st from 9 a.m. to noon

Good Deeds Program, held by the Geauga County Recorder/Probate Court, will be June 3 & June 5 at 7 p.m.

Independence Day Parade: Groups/residents are welcome to participate. Registration form is available.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: *Mr. Gabram made the motion to move into executive session to consider the employment & compensation of a public employee, pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22(G)(1). Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

The meeting moved into executive session at 5:56 p.m.

Mr. Gabram made the motion to return to regular session. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting moved into regular session at 6:29 p.m.

Mr. Gabram made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Justin Madden, Chairman

Charles Walder, Fiscal Officer

Recorded by: B. Milite