



RECORDS OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE WESTFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S
REGULAR MEETING HELD: March 15th , 2006 @ 7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE:

EMPLOYEES:

Timothy Kratzer (Trustee)
Jeffrey Plumer (Trustee)
Kelly Gregoire (Clerk)
Marlene Oiler (Zoning Secretary)
Ron Oiler (Zoning Board Member)
James Likley (Zoning Board Member)
Lee Evans (Road Maintenance Supervisor)

RESIDENTS:

Tim Sims of 5570 Mud Lake Rd.
Penny Snoddy
Joan Woosman
Tom Galliton

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Thomas Whelan (Lodi Hosp.)
Judge Steve McIlvain (Wads)
Gayle Foster (Trading Post)
Monica & Mike McCann

OPEN MEETING:

Vice Chair Jeffrey Plumer opened the meeting by asking those in attendance to stand and Pledge Allegiance to the Flag. Chairman Timothy Kratzer will be arriving late this evening.

WELCOME GUESTS:

Judge McIlvain of Wadsworth Municipal Court submitted and reviewed the 2005 annual report to the trustee's.

Tom Whelan, President of Lodi Community Hospital gave an informational speech to the trustee's and residents in attendance. Item of discussion included:
History of Lodi Community Hospital
First Hospital in Medina County established in 1920.
Bought by Akron General Hospital in 2000
Began showing a profit again in 2004
Raised 400,000 of the 500,000 dollars currently needed for further improvement/new facility.

Joan Woosman, resident and former township employee, was seeking approval from the trustee's to send a letter to all township residents. This letter would be requesting information in regards to their land, families and any relevant history.

She would like to compile such information for the purpose of writing a book on Westfield Township's History.

Trustee, Carolyn Sims introduced Mike McCann. Carolyn informed the Trustee's that she had found several broken headstones/ footstones within our cemeteries. Some of them were below the surface. Mike also allowed the trustee's to review a rough draft of tombstone & transcription research. Mike further indicated that he is currently working with Lafayette, Chatham & Sharon Townships. Carolyn Sims announced that she had supplied references for Mike McCann to the other trustee's.

A motion to hire Mike McCann at an hourly rate of \$10.00 per hour for a maximum of 20 hours was made by Carolyn Sims, seconded by Timothy Kratzer. Roll Call: Timothy Kratzer; aye, Carolyn Sims; aye, Jeffrey Plumer; aye.

MINUTES:

Tabled until the next regular meeting.

Marlene Oiler announced Bill Thorne of Medina County Prosecutor's Office strongly suggested a new recording system and podium for the Township.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Committee reports are given at the first meeting on the month.

FIRE:

ROADS:

CEMETERIES/PARKS:

Carolyn Sims requested to give a report on the cemeteries & parks. Sims announced that Sunrise service for the LUMC will be held on April 16th 2006 in the park.

Carolyn stated that Nelson Tree was out to remove the tree @ Friendsville Cemetery. Lee was also at Friendsville working on making a larger driveway area.

Carolyn announced that she would like to look for grant money to have some of the oldest stones in the cemetery preserved. Jeffrey Plumer asked if we could legally do that with public funds. Carolyn said that she would contact the prosecutor's office to get a ruling.

ZONING:

OLD BUSINESS:

Jeffrey Plumer announced that Zoning Commission/BZA member's could opt out of payroll if they so wished. In addition if the township wishes they could pay them a nominal fee.

Jeffrey Plumer asked Chairman Kratzer if he was in touch with Mr. Collins. Tim announced that he did speak to Mr. Collins and that he had received a key to the gate to allow him access to his back property.

Jeffrey Plumer announced that Mark of Northstar Services has branched out on his own and is no longer with Northstar. Jeffrey Plumer spoke to him in regards to our existing Comprehensive Plan. Mark said that he did not feel that it was necessary to review at this time.

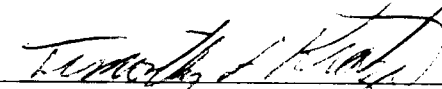
Carolyn Sims asked if our Zoning Members had a copy of the updated Comprehensive Plan? She would like to make sure that each member has an updated copy.

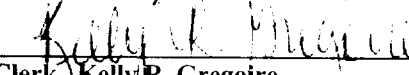
NEW BUSINESS:

Lee Evans suggested to the trustee's that our Zoning Language state that we require a flat fee to future developers to cover expected costs for road maintenance/fire/emergency etc.

A motion to pay the bills was made by Carolyn Sims, seconded by Jeffrey Plumer.

Meeting Adjourn 8:55pm

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Chairman, Timothy Kratzer

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Clerk, Kelly R. Gregoire