

Allen Township Trustees

January 5, 2010

The Allen Township Trustees met in reorganizational session with all members present. The Fiscal Officer called the meeting to order and opened nominations for chairman. Recker moved that Flanagan be chairman with Huffman seconding. Roll call - all yes. Recker moved that Huffman be vice-chairman with Flanagan seconding. Roll call - all yes. Chairman Flanagan appointed himself as chairman of finance & roads; Huffman as chairman of safety & cemetery; and Recker as chairman of building & maintenance.

Recker moved that regular meetings be held monthly on the first Tuesday of February through December. All meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Allen Township Center. Huffman seconded the motion. Roll call - all yes.

The minutes of December 1, 2009 were read and approved as read.

The Fiscal Officer presented a list of warrants (3359 - 3382) totaling \$14,396.89 for outstanding bills. Recker moved to pay these bills with Huffman seconding. Roll call - all yes.

The Fiscal Officer advised that the 2010 Fire Services Contract with Cass Township has been returned along with the \$13,000.00 annual payment.

Schimmoeller presented a Resolution to Amend the 2009 Township Annual Permanent Appropriation, increasing the previous amount by \$35,000.00 to reflect the 2009 OPWC Grant amount. The amended total appropriation would be \$2,199,534.82. Recker moved to adopt the resolution with Huffman seconding. Roll call - all yes.

Schimmoeller presented a Resolution to establish the three trustees as the 2010 audit committee. Huffman moved to adopt the resolution with Recker seconding. Roll call - all yes.

Flanagan moved that the Trustees annual salary for 2010 be paid in equal monthly installments with the Trustees providing the Fiscal Officer with time sheets breaking out time spent on roads. Huffman seconded the motion. Roll call - all yes. The Fiscal Officer advised he will take his full salary on a monthly basis.

Recker moved that the 2010 snowplow driver hourly rate be \$15.00. Huffman seconded the motion. Roll call - all yes.

Recker moved that the 2010 Firemen administrative salaries be as follows: Chief - \$7,000 (paid monthly); Assistant Chief - \$3,500 (paid annually); 4 – Captains at \$750 each (paid annually). In addition, the motion established the “fire-run” rate at \$10.00 per firemen per run. The motion was seconded by Huffman. Roll call - all yes.

Huffman moved that Tony Humphrey continue to be a part-time maintenance worker for 2010 at a rate of \$605 per month and Dustin Humphrey also continue to be a part-time maintenance worker for 2010 at a rate of \$1,575 per month effective 1/1/2010. Recker seconded the motion. Roll call – all yes.

The Trustees presented and discussed their respective monthly road inspections. The documented observations were reviewed with action plans being developed where appropriate and noted on the inspection forms.

Flanagan moved to adopt a Resolution Retaining Elizabeth M. Stanton and The Firm of Chester, Wilcox & Saxbe, LLP as Legal Counsel to Advise and Represent the Township in 2010 Annexation Matters. The motion was seconded by Huffman. Roll call - all yes. A retainer agreement was also executed establishing rates should legal council become necessary in 2010.

Bonds for Trustee Kevin Flanagan and Trustee Ed Huffman were approved.

Tom Oberhaus representing Friends of VB State Park was in attendance to give a brief update on things that have been happening over at the State Park. Friends of VB State Park was formed in 2004 and has raised and spent \$29,000 on improvements of trails and camping facilities.

Huffman reported on a meeting with Tod Darfus-OH Rail Developmnet Commission, George Martin – PUCO, and Ben Biesterveld – CSX that was held out at the rail road crossing on TR-108. Llights and gates will be installed in 2010 at the TR-108 crossing. The section of track encompassing the TR-109 crossing will be retied very soon which will include an upgrade to that crossing.

Recker advised that the Township Center and the Sportsplex has been connected to the Findlay sanitary sewer system.

The firemen’s breakfast will be held on 3/13/2010 at 8:00 a.m. in the Allen Twp Center. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be February 2, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Approved,