

Allen Township Trustees

February 2, 2010

The Allen Township Trustees met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the Allen Township Center with all members present. The minutes of January 5, 2010 were read and approved as read.

The Fiscal Officer presented a Resolution to permanently appropriate the \$2,422,759.09 amount certified by the Hancock County Budget Commission for 2010. Huffman moved to adopt the resolution and Recker seconded the motion. Roll call - all yes

The Fiscal Officer presented a list of bills (warrants 3383 - 3415) totaling \$32,607.01. Recker moved to pay these bills. The motion was seconded by Huffman. 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.

Schimmoller presented an Extension of Services Agreement between the Village of Van Buren and the Allen Township Board of Trustees and read a letter dated 1/13/2010 from K. C. Collette (Hancock County Prosecutors Office) regarding same. The agreement relates to the water and sewer systems that were connected to the Allen Township Center and the Sportsplex late in 2009. The Trustees will review the agreement and discuss at a future meeting.

Tony Humphrey presented a \$3,500 quote from Reinhart Ditching & Repair to purchase a Berm Master for the Allen Township dump truck. Recker moved to purchase the berm master at the quoted price. Huffman seconded the motion. Roll call – all yes.

The Fiscal officer presented the trustees with the 2009 yearend financial statements which were briefly reviewed.

Flanagan read a letter dated 1/16/2010 that he received from Charles Finsel regarding his observation of “stagnant-appearing and possibly contaminated water in an Allen Twp. Catch basin at the corner of our Lone Oak Estates Subdivision.” The letter requested that Kevin “check out it’s source, coming from the current sub-surface north and south tile lines?” In addition, the letter requested “having a certified drainage engineer and a (mutually chosen) witness present for this inspection.” Mr. Finsel was in attendance and verbally expressed his concerns regarding this catch basin on TR230 and “demanded that an unbiased investigation be performed by a certified drainage engineer.” He wanted to know when this investigation would be performed and a response to his letter. A lengthy discussion ensued between the Trustees and Mr. Finsel regarding the functionality of the catch basin and the past meetings, investigations and repairs to same. The Trustees conveyed to Mr. Finsel that the catch basin is functioning properly and no action is necessary at this time. A written response to Mr. Finsel’s letter will be drafted by the Trustees.

Fire Chief Hickman advised that two new firemen (Andy Wells and Drew McGuire) have been recently added to the department.

Flanagan presented a resolution to apply for financial assistance in the amount of \$12,400 from the State of Ohio Nature Works Program to complete the walking rack around the Sportsplex. The balance (\$4,140) of the \$16,540 project would be funded by the VBCSA. Should the financial assistance be granted, Allen Township would be the administrative agent for the State of Ohio and be require to fund the \$12,400 prior to work being completed and reimbursement by the Nature Works Program. Huffman moved to adopt the resolution with Recker seconding the motion. Roll call – all yes.

The date of the Firemen’s Breakfast was move to March 20, 2010.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Approved,

Mark J. Schimmoller, Fiscal Officer
(Proper notice given by publishing & posting)

Kevin P. Flanagan, Chairman