**Minutes of Trustee Meeting**

**August 16, 2022**

Attendees: Trustees: Chairman Wayne Creasap, David Schrote,

Steven Lust-absent-Covid

Fiscal Officer: Lavon Verity

Zoning Inspector: Tom Baker

Employees: Laura Russel, D. Hollenbaugh, Dan Criswell

Chief: Canterbury

County Commissioners: Kerr Murray, Ken Stiverson

Sewer and Sanitation Dept: Phil Wright

Board Of Election Rep.: Cindy Price and Brian Blair

Residents : Denise Lyon, Nan Budman, Terri Martin and Tracy Bennett and

Mr. & Mrs. Stultz from 3737 Smeltzer Rd.

Meeting convened at 6:00 pm by Chairman Creasap. With Roll Call: W. Creasap- present,

D. Schrote-present, S. Lust- Absent.

Trustee Creasap introduced Phil Wright and the Commissioners in attendance, addressing a sewer concern in Pleasant Township. A sewer system in Pleasant Township is not a new issue but an ongoing issue. Presentation made as to project plans that need to be made. Cost of study $450,000 to $500,000. The county can help with costs for study. Township needs to put something towards costs. ARPA funds discussed. All kinds of grants out there to assist with funding. Need to act as soon as possible to apply for grants and funding. Septic systems in township are failing at alarming rate and EPA involved. Three folks (Stultz) spoke about septic issue at their home on 3737 Smeltzer Rd. and the problems with septic system costs. The health department willing to work with them if sewer project is forth coming. Mr. Wright also mentioned lift systems and issues with them on sewer line due to bedrock issues and flow issues.

Three ladies from Eagle Creek Citizen Group came to talk about road conditions in sub division. Nan Budman spoke for the group. Roads have pot holes and in bad shape. Roads over twenty years old and need repaved. Curbs and gutters breaking down and catch basins need cleaned as they are packed with leaves. Also weeds and grass that have not been sprayed. They mentioned a street sweeper being used. Trustee Schrote and Dan Criswell advised they would check on issue.

Cindy Price and Bryan Blair from Marion County Election Board spoke about upcoming election and early voting. They also advised of some changes to precincts in township as two precincts combined into one changing the number of precincts in township. Asked if anyone interested in working the polls and to contact their office. Mentioned polling places.

**Trustee Schrote made a motion to approve the previous minutes, from 07.12.2022,**

**with all warrants prepared by the Fiscal Officer, seconded by Trustee Creasap. All in favor 2 -0.**

Opened bids for sale of truck. Two bids. One bid was for $5001.00. Second bid was for $14,550.00. Discussed that both bids under then minimum listed. Public notice was in Marion Star. **Motion by Trustee Schrote to accept Steve Reece’s bid of $14,550. 2nd by Trustee Creasap. Roll call vote W. Creasap- Yes and Trustee D. Schrote- Yes. Motion carried. Sold to Steve Reece.**

**Fiscal Officer**:

* Discussed mowing fees and township cleanup. Costs up.
* Coffman public notice in Marion Star. Nothing back from BMV on the vehicles at Coffman property.
* Invoice reference state site plans paid to state for garage addition $800 plus was paid online.
* Reminder of budget hearing on 8/24/2022 at county building 10:45 am.
* The last payment was made on fire equipment. Truck paid off.
* F.O. Verity gave Trustee Creasap form for Stephanie Barkley to sign and meet with Lavon.
* Lavon had invoice for cost to clean senior center carpet and it was $305.00. Senior group paid half.

**Fire Department:**

* Sidewalk survey done shooting for spring of 2023 to start.
* DELCO water has ISO system. Change on how to deliver it to fire station area. Would come from Waldo west as it is already under the tracks. Line would be routed that way and down Smeltzer. Cost would be around $150,000. More homes would also be picked up if routed that way. Issue is dealing with railroad to get line under tracks and since it is already under tracks at Waldo this would be route to take.
* Staffing good for the first two shifts as they are well covered but the third shift only has two staff members. Clint, Laura, and Darrin coming down and helping with that shifts coverage.
* Marburger injuries from Motorcycle crash has kept him away from duties. Laura mentioned October for newsletter. They have used blowups at several functions and all successful. ODNR event at Delaware state Park was a hit. Several more upcoming.
* Mentioned that Hoover tried to run squad off road and a mirror was damaged. Cost was around $148.00 to replace. Darrin took care of it. Sheriff report made.
* All equipment up and running.
* Leffler case was postponed until October.
* Inspections at new school going well. State will have to come in and finalize. Schools ok to open on schedule.
* Fire Prevention month coming up.

**Communications:**

* Newsletter Topics needed by September. October run date, that would include no burn, Halloween dates. No fall cleanup planned

**Zoning:**

* Solar update: County prosecutor to hire law firm to handle solar issue and email received about Chestnut Solar Study.
* Working on township cleanup. Coffman property.
* No appeals this month. May have an appeal next month as church property at Gooding and Somerlot Hoffman was sold and new owner looking at a different use of the property for a rehab facility. Fire code issues and sprinkler systems need installed.

**Appoint Doug Ford to Zoning Appeals Board. Motion by Trustee Schrote and 2nd by Trustee Creasap, all in favor.**

**Parks:**

* Trophies and More check to pay for Bill Foos plaque was signed.
* Bill for dog park poo station has been paid.

**Roads:**

* Pot holes and berms on Eagle Creek, Benzler Lust, the Groves. D. Criswell will address the issues.
* D. Criswell putting up new reflective signs. Mentioned, Zoned Community Signs, and he will check on those. Zoning Commission has asked about more of these signs being put up around township. Some are missing.
* Cannot see stops signs in Eagle Creek do to trees. Tree trimming needs to be discussed with Mr. Easley .
* D. Criswell advised still working on mowing roads and berms next. D. Criswell mentioned the new blade for truck cost less than projected.
* Email complaints from Cathy Walker and Angie Smith about pot holes and berms.

**Senior Center:**

* Carpets were cleaned by Service master and the Senior Center group paid half of the bill, which was $305.

**Old business:**

* Martin Dr. tiles? Slaughterbeck has not gotten to this issue yet.
* New sign at senior center working well with the new internet.

**New Business:**

* Leak in the Senior Center roof. No leak noticed someone contacted to patch and repair around the area inside and out.

With no further business to bring before the board, Trustee Schrote made a motion to adjourn; second by Trustee Creasap. All in favor 2-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Next meeting will take place on September 20, 2022 @6:00 pm. at the Senior Center.

Minutes recorded and prepared by Fiscal Officer Lavon Verity on August 16, 2022.

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Chairman, Wayne Creasap

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Fiscal Officer, Lavon Verity