

Greenbush Township Minutes
April 3, 2017

All were present. Supervisor Thelen called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm

Approval of the Agenda with the addition of correspondence. Motion by Kindel seconded by Graham motion carried.

Officer Thompson was absent so no sheriff report

Rick filled in for Lynn Weber with CASSA report the are up 8 calls from last year. Down one ambulance due to an accident last Saturday. The employees are all for the proposal that will be discussed on the rescue unit.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes by Kindel seconded by Roof

Treasures report was accepted as read motion by Graham seconded by Kindel

First Merit Checking	\$ 2,235.61
First Merit Savings	229,073.72
Mercantile MMIA	16,184.63
Tax Collection Account	<u>2,506.26</u>

Total Funds Available \$ 250,000.22
Approve orders #1797 – 1820 Total \$19,921.32

Public Comment

Jean Bradley – Website nothing is changing Clerk Smith will look into the matter more they have all been busy with the fire hall cleaning and selling equipment etc.

Dick Argensinger - Why aren't tax payment being excepted at any of the banks. It is the banks policy, we do have office hours at the town hall at tax time they will be posted. Also, there is going to be a lock box at the hall for drop off of payments.

Commissioner Washburn

All county employees are under one contract for health insurance now McClaren
Barry Waters - Veterans Affairs Liaison in the Courthouse now every Friday
Have a new contract with Clinton County Economic Alliance
CC Transit 71,000 rides last year need drivers must have CDL

Thelen read Beth Botke Assessor Report

Had 4 Board of Review

Go to court for Becks tax case Friday in Lansing

Correspondence

Leon Searles pit to operate on Avery Road they will travel Williams to Colony. Leon will be putting money into Williams Road.

Road Commission Meeting

Deputy treasurer Roof, Kindel and Thelen will sit down with Joe Pulver from the Road Commission to decide where the money will be spent this years there is about \$60,000 to spend on various projects Motion to contract for 3 passes of Chloride starting in May, at the cost of \$36,562.50 Motion by Kindel 2nd by Graham carried.

Working on building up of the corner of Scott and Kinely Rd

There has not been given any hauling routes from the gravel pits so do not know what roads will be used.

Policy for acceptance of postmark on tax payments will not longer be used they will be considered delinquent if not received by the due date. Only three townships are left that accept postmarks and all three are presenting to their boards .
motion by Thelen seconded by Smith

Budget Amendment added election expenses \$2500 taken from road expense funds

Fire Hall Update

Supervisor Thelen, Deputy Treasurer Tom Roof and Trustee Larry Kindel have been working very hard to get items sorted and ready for sale. Also Denise Roof and Ramona Smith have spent many hours cleaning items and sorting office out.

Fire departments are purchasing trucks and equipment.

We have sold 4 trucks totaling \$53,000 miscellaneous equipment \$2,077.00

Will have a garage sale on April 21 and 22, 2017

No fire gear can be sold to individuals

Building comes with a title restriction Worthington gets to say if they approve of the business purchasing the building.. Victor needs to give us a deed to the building. This is being worked on.

Treasurer Roof and Clerk Smith were given the right to obtain amount of and payoff loan to Huntington Bank from the receipts of the sale of fire trucks and equipment as soon as possible.
Motion by Thelen Seconded by Graham motion carried

Fire runs will stay at \$800 an hour with a cap of \$1600 for insurance purposes. If you have a year burning permit please call 911 and refresh their memory when you are going to burn.

Kindel motioned Graham seconded to move CAASA proposal from the table.

Discussion of the pros and cons from board and numerous residents

- Sell the command vehicle and convert proceeds to gravel
- Rededicate command vehicle to CAASA to use as a rescue unit in Greenbush Township only
- Truck will be equipped as a MFR unit
- Can help release ambulance at fires community events etc
- \$15,000 a year from Greenbush for 2 years after that time hope other entities will support it other wise the program will be done with.
- Discussion from the residents : Not giving anything away giving back to the residents,
- If the other entities are so gun ho why can't they pony up some funds. Free up ambulances for more serious incidents Save time for the ambulance paramedics patient can be stabilized and ready for transport when the ambulance arrives. When time is of the importance. Either you are for it or against it there is no right or wrong. We made more from fire sale than expected so we are good with it. Is it the right time to do this when we are just starting to see our figures in the black. There might be better places to spend the money

Motion by Thelen

Proposal to dedicate the command truck to CAASA for priority 1 and 2 calls in Greenbush Township for the amount of \$15,000 per year for two years at the end of that time they retain the vehicle. Kindel made to accept it Graham seconded

Roll Call

Roof yes
Smith no
Graham yes
Kindel yes
Thelen yes

Motion carried

Additional Comments

Jean Bradly commented that the board was very open about all of this and it is greatly appreciated

Bill Price -has talked to Beaver County Oklahoma which was the hardest hit county in Oklahoma by the wild fires He was asking if after the garage sale any equipment that wasn't sold could we donate it to their fire departments 6 departments in the county they operate from \$ 21,000 the highest to \$4,000 the lowest and many have lost a lot of their equipment He would manage to get it to them if this was possible. Thelen said he was sure something could be worked out.

Kevin Kirk stated he thought they could go in on their cell phones to update burn permits with a text. This is being checked out with the results at the next meeting..

Roof motioned to adjourn at 9:18 Kindel seconded.

Lee Thelen

Ramona Smith