

ROSS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
JUNE 5, 2017

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Ross Township Supervisors was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Chairman Howard A. Beers. Members Vice Chairman Drake and Supervisor Kresge were present. Solicitor Timothy McManus was also present.

All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the May 1, 2017 meeting and the current Treasurer's report were approved as presented on a motion made by Vice Chairman Drake, seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

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PLANS-Chairman Beers noted receipt of a recommendation from the Ross Township Planning Commission to reject the Dunkin Donuts and Stenger plans both based on letters received from Township Engineer Kresge dated April 29, 2016. Chairman Beers noted lack of progress on the plans and Supervisor Kresge added that it appears that this project is not going to happen. Supervisor Kresge made a motion to reject the plan as indicated above. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

OLD BUSINESS- Solicitor McManus reviewed the proposed SALDO and Zoning amendments noting receipt of comments from Monroe County Planning Commission concerning the definition of Land Development. After his review he noted that perhaps our amendment could be put on hold and use the definition of land development that is in the Municipality's Planning Code and is utilized by the other CJERP members. A motion was made authorizing Solicitor McManus to redraft the amendment from the first draft to the new one (which is verbatim from the MPC) circulate same as is required for comment and future hearing date. The motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake, seconded by Supervisor Kresge and carried.

A review was made of the pricing for a new maintenance truck and Chairman Beers noted his opinion is to purchase a big truck (similar to the plow vehicles we presently have). Supervisor Kresge disagreed noting better use could be made of a smaller truck on a daily basis. Chairman Beers noted the extra truck is 22 years old and has some issues. The prices varied from \$100,260 plus body, etc. to \$43,000 plus body, etc.. Vice Chairman Drake said the smaller truck (Ram 5500 or the like) would be more beneficial citing smaller jobs would be more conducive to using the smaller vehicle. Supervisor Kresge moved to purchase the smaller truck and some discussion took place concerning the hydraulics, plow, cinder spreader, etc.. the motion was to purchase either the Dodge or Ford and the body discussed would be stainless steel. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake. A roll call vote was taken and voting in favor was Vice Chairman Drake and Supervisor Kresge. Voting against was Chairman Beers. The motion carried to purchase either the Dodge Ram 5500 approx. \$43,400 plus approx. \$38,300 for the upfit or the Ford F550 approx. \$43,792 plus the same approx. upfit adding some upgrades for an approximate total of \$85,000-90,000.00.

NEW BUSINESS-A resignation letter was received from Richard Marsili as the Township's Emergency Management Coordinator. Vice Chairman Drake noted that a replacement should be tabled to afford

time to obtain an interested resident. Supervisor Kresge noted that he spoke to Mr. Marsili who indicated he would remain in the position until a replacement is appointed.

ROAD FOREMAN'S REPORT- The Road Foreman reported that the COG line striping is the cheapest he came up with at 10.5 cents and the bid ran from last year to the end of this year. It was determined to do all the areas the Road Foreman deems necessary and Chairman Beers moved to stripe the roads the Road Foreman picked out. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Drake and carried.

Supervisor Kresge complimented the Road Foreman on the "clean up" on the corner property by the Township building and park and stressed how well it was done by not scarring the trees.

Some discussion took place concerning flaggers that are necessary when doing road work. It was determined that the Road Foreman is to contact a flagging company for assistance when necessary.

The Road Foreman discussed a class he could attend on low volume and dirt roads discussing water runoff, etc. It was determined that the closest one is scheduled for October and that was agreeable.

The Secretary reviewed the possibility of inserting an announcement in the school tax bill concerning Community Day and the Bicentennial celebration slated for September so residents are aware of the activity. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake, seconded by Chairman Beers to proceed with this request which included approval from the School Board and the cooperation of the County tax office (approx. cost \$50.00). The motion carried.

A review of the bills was conducted and Chairman Beers asked if the Strunk bill was for the tree on Mountain Woods Rd. and the Road Foreman concurred. Chairman Beers noted the list contained a couple of bills from the Construction Account and queried what is going on with the new building. Vice Chairman Drake noted waiting for Hardee Board Co. approval for siding installation and some architectural delays. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Drake to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kresge. A roll call vote was taken and voting in favor was Vice Chairman Drake and Supervisor Kresge. Chairman Beers voted against paying the construction account bills but in favor of the General Fund bills. The motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Price, Secretary