## VERMILION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

# Record of Proceedings Minutes to Regular Meeting Held 8/15/18

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Charles T. Trinter.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Charles T. Trinter, Trustee; Ronald L. Dickel, Trustee; Christopher R. Decker, Trustee; Brenda J. Zsebik, Fiscal Officer; Robert Kurtz, Building Official/Zoning Administrator; Tina L. Karres, Township Secretary.

Absent: Frank R. Triana, Vermilion Township Fire Chief.

MOTION BY C. Decker, second by R. Dickel to approve minutes to regular meeting held 8/1/18 and dispense with the reading of the minutes. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Decker, yes; Motion Carried.

MOTION BY R. Dickel, second by C. Decker to accept the Treasurer's Report and Financial Packet dated 8/14/18. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Decker, yes; Motion Carried.

MOTION BY C. Decker, second by C. Trinter to approve and pay warrants 22493 through 22524. Warrants totaled \$25,407.79. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Decker, yes; Motion Carried.

## ROAD DEPARTMENT:

Steve Young, Road Foreman, reported on the following: The Western Star truck is at Concord Road Equipment Manufacturing getting bermer put on it and should be back by end of week; Bins are on order for Fall Clean-up (Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>); and started construction on the new building.

## **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:**

No audience participation.

### SPEAKERS:

None present.

## CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter dated August 9, 2018 from H K Douthit III, Publisher, PJP Newspapers announcing they will be instituting a surcharge to their bills effective the week of September 1, 2018. They will be charging an extra 2-cents per column inch for newsprint and additional 05-cents per column inch for the increased cost of their aluminum plates due to tariffs. Currently, there is not any American produced newsprint

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that is available. They are hopeful the International Trade Commission will reverse the tariffs when it considers the newsprint issue.

## BUILDING OFFICIAL/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:

Building Official/Zoning Administrator, Robert Kurtz, stated that at the last meeting, there were a group of residents concerned about the Gypsy Moth problem. Mr. Kurtz reached out to the Department of Agriculture and they have set up an open house to discuss the Gypsy Moth problem and what residents can do to protect their property. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. held at the OSU Extension Office located at 2900 Columbus Avenue in Sandusky, Ohio. Mr. Kurtz notified all residents that attended the last meeting.

Barnes Road and Risden Road railroad tracks are closed until Friday, August 24th for repairs.

Herk Excavating will start cement repairs on Sassafras Drive this week.

Mr. Kurtz acknowledged a letter written to the editor of the newspaper, about the need for a traffic light at Kneisel Road and State Route 60. Mr. Kurtz stated he wanted to inform residents that the township has no control over that issue. It is a state route; therefore, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is the agency that has control over installing traffic lights. They make the determination if a traffic light is warranted by performing a traffic study. Mr. Kurtz believes a study was performed in the past on Kneisel Road/State Route 60 and it was determined a traffic light was not warranted. As traffic increases and new businesses go in, the township will do its due diligence to request ODOT do another traffic study.

Building Update. They did start pouring footers yesterday and had some initial water problems upon digging; therefore, they had to dig deeper than 48 inches (13 to 30 inches deeper). There will be additional costs due to this issue.

### VERMILION TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Assistant Chief Kurtz read Chief F. Triana's report in his absence: Fire Runs between 8/1/18 – 8/14/18. EMS Assists – 18; MVA – 1; YTD: 268 Runs.

Reminder Open House this Sunday, August 19, 2018 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The Chief asked that the Trustees attend the fire department's Open House, if their schedules permit, at 1:30 p.m. for a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for EMS Transports. This will be day one of providing EMS Transport with the shift starting at 07:00 hours.

The Chief would like to advise the Trustees that Mason Montgomery has completed his National Registry Testing and is now a Firefighter I / Emergency Medical Technician Basic. Congratulations to Mason.

The fire roster is now at 44 with an attached roster for review. A quick bread down of this includes: Fire Certifications - 1 Volunteer, 17 Firefighter I, 26 Firefighter II; EMS Certifications - 15 EMT's,

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1 EMT Advanced, 18 Paramedics; and 14 Fire Safety Inspectors. Many of the certifications also hold cards in inspector, instructor and live fire.

Grid Gear lockers have arrived and will be assembled and gear up off the floor by this weekend.

#### NORTHERN OHIO RURAL WATER REPRESENTATIVE:

None present.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

No old business.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Kurtz advised the Board that it was time to start considering annual maintenance to the township's generator. They will come out once per year and do all the required maintenance as per the manufacturer specifications. The two quotes received were from PowerOn Generators LLC in Avon Lake, Oh at a cost \$212.07 quoted annually (test battery, change oil and filter, check for leaks and overall operation) and RKS Power Solutions in Norwalk, Oh at a cost of \$300.00 per year (change oil and filter, every fourth year they replace battery, sparkplugs every year, air filter and if stay with them every year price will not go up).

Trustee Dickel informed the Board that Jim Northeim and Fiscal Officer from Brownhelm Township requested a contract be drawn up regarding sharing the Durapatcher. If Vermilion Township would like to charge rent etc. The Board recommended contacting the Erie County Prosecutors Office for guidance and submitting a draft to the other townships for their review. Mr. Kurtz asked what conditions the Board would like included. Currently, the township lets Brownhelm Township and Florence Township borrow the Durapatcher for free and if something breaks under their use they will have it repaired at their cost. It was discussed sharing costs for certain repairs and determining hours of use. Mr. Kurtz will follow-up with the Erie County Prosecutor.

Trustee Decker stated to contact Ohio Edison regarding a street light out on Frailey Road/Darrow Road.

MOTION BY R. Dickel, second by C. Trinter approving the transfer of funds from Fire District Fund Machinery, Equipment and Furniture (2111-760-740-0000) to Salaries (2111-230-100-0000) in the amount of \$55,000.00. There are not sufficient funds in the salaries line item to cover the needed wages for part-time Fire/EMS Personnel for 2018. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Decker, yes; Motion Carried.

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MOTION BY: C. Trinter, second by R. Dickel to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:26 a.m. with no further business to discuss. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Decker, yes; Motion Carried.

Charles T. Trinter

Ronald T. Duskel

Trustee

Trustee

Township Secretary