

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

THORN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR SESSION

Held: July 14, 2010

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The Board of Trustees of Thorn Township convened in regular session from 7:00 P.M. to 8:35 P.M. in the Township Hall. Charles Boring called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Billie Dearlove	Present	Charles Boring	Present
Richard Wilson	Present	Dale Factor	Present

VISITORS: Todd Brune, Julian Dornon, Corlyn Altier, David Couch, Mark Holdcroft, Holly Holdcroft, Elaine Moore and Bob Panian.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2010 regular meeting was made by Dale Factor and seconded by Richard Wilson. Votes were: Dale Factor, Aye; Richard Wilson, Aye; Charles Boring, Aye. A motion to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2010 regular meeting was made by Richard Wilson and seconded by Dale Factor. Votes were: Richard Wilson, Aye; Dale Factor, Aye; Charles Boring, Aye.

Corlyn Altier was in attendance and provided an EMS billing recap through June 2010.

David Couch, Superintendent of the Perry County Board of DD was in attendance to provide information on the services provided by the agency. He also left brochures with contact information and a list of the various services.

Reports

Fiscal Officer Billie Dearlove provided copies of the June 2010 bank reconciliation. Billie also provided copies of an email she received from Jeff Cashman from Wichert Insurance regarding the VFIS Policy Review and Recommendation. The trustees will review the information and decide what they want to do with this policy. Debbie Morgan, Zoning Secretary sent a letter to the Trustees on behalf of the Zoning Commission and The Board Of Zoning Appeals requesting that Riley Crandell be retained by Thorn Township for representation for any matters that may arise regarding zoning. The request was for a retainer fee of \$1,500.00 which is based on the rate of \$150.00 per hour.

Motion to Retain Counsel

A motion to retain Riley Crandell to represent Thorn Township in any zoning matters was made by Dale Factor and seconded by Richard Wilson. Votes were Dale Factor, Aye; Richard Wilson, Aye; Charles Boring, Aye.

1 sealed bid was received for chip & sealing of various township roads.

Motion to Close Bids

A motion to close bids for chip and seal of various township roads was made by Richard Wilson and seconded by Dale Factor. Votes were Richard Wilson, Aye; Dale Factor, Aye; Charles Boring, Aye.

The sealed bid was opened and given to Trustee Boring. The bid was from The Shelly Company and was for single chip seal in the amount of \$9,551.52 and double chip seal in the amount of \$44,967.78 for a total of \$54,519.30.

Motion to Accept Bid

A motion to accept the bid for chip and seal of various township roads was made by Dale Factor and seconded by Richard Wilson. Votes were: Dale Factor, Aye; Richard Wilson, Aye; Charles Boring, Abstain.

Trustee Charles Boring reported that the appraisals were complete for the Columbus Street buildings. Lot 69 (AKA Lot 21) was appraised at \$67,500.00 and 15 E. Columbus Street was appraised at \$47,000.00.

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According to Asst. Prosecuting Attorney Steve Herendeen, the buildings can be sold in any of three ways. If they are sold to another governmental entity, they do not have to be bid or advertised. The other options would be through advertising for sealed bids or a public auction

Motion to Sell Buildings by Sealed Bids

A motion to sell the township buildings on Columbus Street by way of sealed bids with details to be worked out at a later date was made by Dale Factor and seconded by Richard Wilson. Votes were: Dale Factor, Aye; Richard Wilson, Aye; Charles Boring, Aye.

Trustee Boring had received an estimate to add curbs at the new firehouse. This matter will be discussed once the parking lots are complete.

Trustee Richard Wilson reported that Rose Walser had requested a replacement door at the food pantry. Rick will contact someone to purchase and install a new door. Rick had been contacted by the Perry County Sheriff making us aware that grave markers were being stolen in various locations and attempting to be sold at Polk's Scrap Yard. The Sheriff wanted us to be on the lookout for any suspicious activity in our area. Rick presented a copy of a deed for land at the sewer plant in Thornville. According to the deed, the land was owned jointly by the Village of Thornville and Thorn Township. This will be reviewed further. Rick had been contacted by a resident of Snug Harbor expressing concern about lots not being mowed. He referred the matter to Todd Brune for review. Resident Jim Thompson had also contacted Rick regarding camping, etc. being done on property on Twp Rd 500 owned by Chuck Owens. It was the opinion of Todd Brune that this was something that was only done over the July 4th weekend and not a continual problem. Todd will contact Mr. Owens to further discuss the matter.

Trustee Dale Factor provided an update on the program of providing workers to various sites within Perry County. The worker that was sent to us from the Job and Family Services program completed 24 hours. Dale is in contact with Lisa Leckrone to discuss future workers. The dump truck needs to go to Dave Mitchell's for repairs. There was a saltwater spill on several state, county and township roads. The EPA, State Highway patrol and various other agencies were called out to access the damage and correct the problem. Tom Russell indicated to Dale that he will cut down the tree at the end of Point Beautiful Road and the township will haul it away. There have been numerous stop signs stolen on Twp Roads 22, 37 and 21. Dale would like the Trustees to begin discussing the possibility of having contracted trash services within the township. He will research this and bring additional information to the next meeting.

Zoning Inspector Todd Brune provided a zoning update.

Holly Holdcroft and Elaine Moore were in attendance to discuss an open house for the new fire station. It was decided that an open house will be held on October 3, 2010 from 1:00pm to 6:00pm. Details will follow as the planning progresses. The department will be holding a yard sale on August 6th and 7th with proceeds going toward food, etc. for the open house.

Public Comment:

Resident Bob Panian was in attendance to voice complaints and ask for advice on next steps for an issue at Vista Point in Heron Bay. Mr. Panian was advised to contact the Perry County Engineer and the Perry County Recorder for additional information.

Warrants were signed.

Meeting Adjourned

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 8:35 P.M. was made by Dale Factor and seconded by Richard Wilson. Votes were Dale Factor, Aye; Richard Wilson, Aye; Charles Boring, Aye.

The meeting was adjourned till July 28, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. at the Township Hall.

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Billie Dearlove

Dale Factor

Richard Wilson

Charles Boring

All formal actions of the of Thorn Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.