

REEK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES  
BOARD MEETING  
09/19/2018

Dave Myers, Chairman called the Rushcreek Township Trustees Board meeting to order at 7:07pm leading with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those in attendance in addition to Dave were: Chad Ashbaugh, Trustee; Lisa Burnworth, Trustee; Connie Moyer, Fiscal Officer; Doug Hintz, Road Superintendent; and William Duvall, Fire Chief. Dave asked that all cell phones be muted along with all fire radios except the Chief and Road Superintendent.

Visitors  
None

Minutes

The minutes of the September 1<sup>st</sup> meeting were presented to the Trustees for approval. Chad made a motion to approve the minutes and dispense with the reading as the Trustees had reviewed them prior to the meeting. Lisa seconded the motion. Roll Call: Chad, yes; Lisa, yes; Dave, aye. Dave reminded everyone that the minutes are available upon request at the Fiscal Officer's office and the website [www.rushcreektwp.org](http://www.rushcreektwp.org).

Treasurer's Report

Due to an employee closing their account, EFT#579-2018 was reissued as warrant #41271 on Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>.

EFT #595-2018 - #639-2018 and Warrants #41271 - #41292 in the amounts of \$83,190.50 to the Trustees for signatures. This includes \$46,406.77 for the emulsion used for chip/seal and \$12,165.00 for the skid unit. Dave made a motion to pay the bills and Lisa seconded the motion. Roll Call: Chad, aye; Lisa, aye; Dave, aye.

Received 2<sup>nd</sup> half homestead reimbursement from the State of Ohio.

Received payment from Foltz Auction for sale of the Honda motor. The motor sold for \$750.00 however the following deductions were taken; \$75.00 for commission and \$130.68 for repair cost. Dave was thanked for handling the matter.

Appropriation Change: \$400.00 from 2191-220-381 to 2191-220-410

Purchase Order #43-2018 and #44-2018 were presented for signatures.

Chief Duvall presented the Trustees with a list of expenditures for the next period in the amount of \$2,450.00. Chad made a motion to approve the list of expenses and Dave seconded the motion. Roll Call: Dave, aye; Chad, aye; Lisa, aye.

Road Superintendent Doug Hintz presented the Trustees with a list of expenditures for the next period in the amount of \$2,100.00. Dave made a motion to approve the list of expenses and Lisa seconded the motion. Roll Call: Dave, aye; Lisa, aye; Chad, aye.

Business

Chief William Duvall reported the following:

- Runs during the last pay period: 20 EMS including 10 transports and 3 fire runs.
- The Red & White fire truck will participate in the Bremen antique tractor parade on September 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Ass't. Chief Irwin picked up the skid unit and payment has been issued.
- The BWC grant that Captain Beery applied for has been approved. The award is for \$8,200.00 for 50 sets of Titan gloves and 50 hoods. The Trustees expressed their appreciation for preparing the grant. Connie stated she recently read the grant but was unsure if this is a reimbursement or if BWC handles direct payment especially since our payroll is under the \$500,000 amount which requires a cost share. Lisa advised that she and the Chief will review the grant specifications in order to prepare for proper procedures prior to purchase.

- ESO will be in-service October 1<sup>st</sup>. A written letter will be sent to Emergidata to cancel services which require a 30 day notification. Since there have been extensive communication problems between Medicount and Emergidata income for transports has declined this year. However after communications with Emergidata concerning their billing, income has certainly picked up. Lisa advised she will assess the reports prior to negotiating the final billing from Emergidata.

Road Superintendent Doug Hintz reported the following:

- As in the past, Fairfield County Board of Elections was granted permission to use our facility as a voting machine transport garage during the November 6<sup>th</sup> election.
- All spraying is complete.
- Mowing has begun. It will take a little longer to complete as we are mowing back as far as we can.
- All of our gravel roads have been graded. If weather permits, they will be graded one more time before winter.
- Grindings have been hauled out to dust mats on Purvis, Thomas, And Zion Rds.

Connie reported the following:

- Bremen Chamber sent notification that the State of The Village and Township Addresses will be held on November 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm located at the Bremen Historical Society, 161 Carter St.
- Bremen Chamber asked the Township to consider participating in a Scarecrow decorating event throughout the Village. Details were distributed to Trustees.

After discussion, the Trustees distributed the paperwork to both the fire department and road department supervisors encouraging participation.

#### Trustee Reports

Dave –

- Helped road crew as needed.
- Approved fire and road payroll.

Chad –

- Attended Safety Council meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup> where the topic was preparing for disasters.
- Three zoning permits have been issued during the last period to the following: Anthony McCormick, 2691 West Point Rd. – new home; Frank Conrad, 1340 Locust Grove Rd. – new building; and Rick Woolever, 6895 Tent Church Rd. – new home.

Lisa –

- There is a problem with a private culvert on Bethel Road that is failing and causing damage to the road and ditch. Doug has discussed the matter with the landowner as well as prior Trustees. Since the Township has a Right of Way Policy, guidance was sought from the Prosecuting Attorney. The Ohio Revised Code allows the Township to demand correction. Rushcreek Township provides installation of driveway culverts with the landowner responsible to pay for the materials. Should the landowner decide not to make the necessary corrections, Ohio Revised Code Section 5589.16 provides the Township the means to recoup the finances as a Civil Action which the Prosecuting Attorney will handle. The Trustees concurred that this is not an avenue that they wished to ensue, however since there has been no cooperation on the landowners end, a letter will be sent to the landowner explaining the options as set forth above with calendar deadlines. The letter will be reviewed by the Prosecuting Attorney prior to sending to the landowner.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:48 pm.