

GERMAN TOWNSHIP

Montgomery County



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GERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 13, 2017

Prior to the meeting, an invocation was presented by Jim Setser. The REGULAR MEETING was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Board President Jacob Stubbs at 7:03 p.m. The meeting was held at the German Township hall located at 12102 St. Rt. 725 West, Germantown, OH 45327. Attendees included:

Trustee Jacob Stubbs	Trustee Benjamin DeGroat	Trustee Mark Cross
Fiscal Officer Mark Keener	Police Chief Joseph Andzik (absent)	Road Supt. Jeremy Holbrook

VISITORS:

Name	Address	Name	Address
Lynn Cleveland	11858 Oxford Rd.	Bev & Mary Abner	8850 S. Main St.
Mark Haffner	6907 Little Twin Rd.	Steve Mersch	Germantown Press
Harold Bowman	47 Highland Place	David Gehron	14239 Kiefer Rd.
Jim Setser	7205 Stiver Rd.		

VISTOR COMMENTS:

- **Steve Mersch & Harold Bowman:** Messrs. Mersch and Bowman addressed the Board regarding the restroom project at Kircher Park that is being sponsored by the Germantown Lions Club. They asked if the Board would be willing to assist in the project by allowing some Township labor to be used during the construction – primarily for excavation. The entire project will consist of flush restroom facilities, a shelter area, a storage area and a place for concessions in the future. The Board agreed to the request for this worthwhile project.
- **Mark Haffner:** Mr. Haffner asked the Board for an update on any action regarding the fence removal. He was told that Board members had been in touch with the Township's legal representation and was still trying to ascertain what action could be taken. The Trustees assured Mr. Haffner that they were doing everything possible to resolve the matter. They agreed on a timetable to update him.
- **Lynn Cleveland:** Mr. Cleveland addressed the Board concerning the unwanted advertisements that were being left on his property by Cox Publishing. Mr. Cleveland attempted to get Cox to agree to not deliver any more to his property, but has been unsuccessful. Mr. Cleveland contends that depositing the advertisements on his property constitutes littering under the ORC. Mr. Cleveland requested that the Township assist him in getting Cox Publishing to stop littering throughout the Township.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:

1. Correspondence In:
 - OTA – March “Grassroot Clippings”
 - Municipality of Germantown – Minutes from February Council Meetings
2. Correspondence Out:
 - Germantown Press – Meeting Reminders
 - Monthly – IRS, State, School, OPERS reports and Payments
3. Distribute Financial Reports – 2017 YTD Cash Summary by Fund, Fund Status and Monthly Payment Reports
 - MOTION to approve the financial reports and authorize the payments of the bills, checks 48310 to 48378, including payroll direct deposit and payroll tax/withholding EFT’s was introduced by Benjamin DeGroat and seconded by Jacob Stubbs. After discussion – MOTION PASSED
4. A MOTION to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2017 REGULAR meeting as submitted was introduced by Jacob Stubbs and seconded by Mark Cross. After discussion - MOTION PASSED.
5. Mr. Keener reminded the Board of the following “dates to remember”:
 - Next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting – April 10, 2017
 - Montgomery County Fair Board Meeting – March 14, 2017
 - Local Government Officials Conference – April 12 - 13, 2017
6. Mr. Keener reminded the Board to sign the Purchase Orders and Bank Reconciliation.

Following the Fiscal Officer’s report, the Board discussed the latest developments concerning the Montgomery County Fair Board. Mr. DeGroat said that he was planning on attending the meeting.

At 8:14, the Regular Meeting was suspended and a meeting of the Records Committee was called to order. Mrs. Rohrbach had requested changes to the records retention schedule for the Police Department. After discussion, the changes were approved. At 8:16, the meeting of the Records Committee was adjourned and the Regular meeting resumed.

POLICE REPORT:

In absentia, Chief Andzik reported the following:

- Chief Andzik attended the Community Overdose Action Team (COAT) meeting. He had been asked by County Commissioner Dan Foley for his participation on the Law Enforcement Committee of the Team. The Chief agreed to participate. The first meeting is scheduled for March 31st.
- The Township’s Annual “Shred-It, Dump-It” day is Saturday, May 6 from 9 am to Noon. In addition to being able to dispose of paper and medication, “sharps” are being accepted this year.

ROAD / SERVICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Mr. Holbrook reported the following:

- Mr. Holbrook presented the Board a copy of the State Infrastructure Bank Loan schedule for the Eby Rd. project. He asked the Board to review the information and, if approved, requested that the Board President sign the paperwork.

- The Road Department removed more dead ash trees on Farmington, Conservancy and Puddenbag roads. Altogether, about 60 trees have been removed. The Road Department has also been called out twice in the past two weeks to remove ash trees that have fallen on the roadway.
- Mr. Holbrook informed the Board that he would like to consider using the money saved from not having to purchase salt this year, as well as funds now available from the Friend Rd. project, to replace the mid-mount wing mower with a “bat wing mower” like the JD 5115 pulls. The old mower is costing a significant amount for upkeep and repairs. The new mower would cost \$10,636 under a co-operative purchasing program. The cost of the new mower would be offset by the sale (via GovDeals) of the two mowers that are currently in use on the JD 5400. Not only are batwing mowers cheaper to operate, they mow faster and do a better job. The Board agreed to let Mr. Holbrook pursue the purchase of new mowing equipment.
- The Road and Service Department replaced the night-light in the radio tower compound.

TRUSTEE STUBBS REPORT:

Mr. Stubbs reported the following:

- There is no Pool report
- The Cemetery is purchasing a new Farris mower. This will be a similar mower to the one purchased last year.
- Mr. Stubbs attended the MCTA meeting and discussed the County purchasing services available.

TRUSTEE DeGROAT REPORT:

Mr. DeGroat reported the following:

- He met with Germantown regarding the proposed JEDD. The meeting included Jackson Township and Valley View School District officials. Germantown is paying for any formation costs.
- It was decided to run a “Replacement Levy” for the Germantown Senior Center.

TRUSTEE CROSS REPORT:

Mr. Cross reported the following:

- Mr. Cross and Chief Andzik interviewed 4 candidates for the Reserve Officer positions. They were considering making 3 offers.

ZONING REPORT: NONE

TRASH REPORT: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

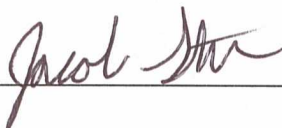
NEW BUSINESS: NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE

PURCHASE ORDERS AND BANK RECONCILIATIONS WERE SIGNED.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

With no further business, the Meeting Adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Signed: 

Attest: 