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## GERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 8, 2018

The REGULAR MEETING was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Board President Jacob Stubbs at 7:01 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 Mark Cross	Trustee Abra Reed
Fiscal Officer Mark Keener	Police Chief Joseph Andzik	Road Supt. Jeremy Holbrook

**VISITORS:**

Name	Address	Name	Address
David Gehron	14239 Kiefer Rd.	Lynn Cleveland	11858 Oxford Rd.

**VISTOR COMMENTS:**

- **David Gehron:** Mr. Gehron asked for an update on the fence situation

**FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:**

1. Correspondence In:
  - OTA – December “Grassroot Clippings”
  - GARS – Letter requesting use of the meeting room on 2/15/18 @ 7:00 PM (Mr. Stubbs introduced a motion to approve this, seconded by Mrs. Reed. After discussion, MOTION passed)
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 48796 to 48824, including payroll direct deposit and payroll tax/withholding EFT’s and other electronic payments was introduced by Jacob Stubbs and seconded by Mark Cross. After discussion – MOTION PASSED
4. A MOTION to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2017 REGULAR meeting as submitted was introduced by Jacob Stubbs and seconded by Mark Cross. After discussion - MOTION PASSED.
5. A MOTION to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2017 SPECIAL meeting as submitted was introduced by Jacob Stubbs and seconded by Mark Cross. After discussion - MOTION PASSED.

6. A MOTION to approve the minutes of the January 2, 2018 ORGANIZATION meeting as corrected was introduced by Jacob Stubbs and seconded by Mark Cross. After discussion - MOTION PASSED.
7. Mr. Keener reminded the Board that the Swimming Pool levy expires at the end of the year. He asked if the Board would like to send a Resolution to the County Auditor to certify the funds for a Renewal or Replacement Levy. Accordingly, RESOLUTION 2018-08 – A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY AUDITOR OFFICE CERTIFY TO GERMAN TOWNSHIP IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF GERMAN TOWNSHIP IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, INCORPORATED AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY THE RECREATIONAL LEVY (POOL), A ONE-HALF (1/2) MIL LEVY, FOR A 5 YEAR PERIOD OF TIME, OF RENEWAL TAX; BEGINNING TAX YEAR 2018, WITH FIRST HALF COLLECTION IN 2019; TO PROVIDE FUNDING “FOR PARKS AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES (SWIMMING POOL)” AS AUTHORIZED IN THE ORC SECTION 5705.19 (H), TO BE VOTED ON THE MAY 8, 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT; was introduced by Mr. Jacob Stubbs and seconded by Mr. Mark Cross. After discussion, the roll was taken and the vote was as follows: Mr. Stubbs – YES, Mr. Cross – Yes, Mrs. Reed – YES. RESOLUTION 2018-08 PASSED.
8. In light of the current budget situation, Mr. Keener asked the Board if they wanted to consider placing an Operating Levy on the May ballot. After discussion, the Board decided that placing an Operating Levy on the ballot at this time might harm the chances of passing the other proposed levies, so the decision was made to not place an Operating Levy on the upcoming ballot.
9. Mr. Keener asked the Board if they were considering placing a German Township Road District Levy on the May ballot and, if so, what would be the desired millage? After discussion, it was decided to ask the County Auditor to certify the funds that might be generated by a 2.0 mill levy. Accordingly, RESOLUTION 2018-09 - A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY AUDITOR OFFICE CERTIFY TO GERMAN TOWNSHIP IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF GERMAN TOWNSHIP IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY A ROAD DISTRICT LEVY, A TWO (2) MIL ADDITIONAL LEVY, FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS, BEGINNING TAX YEAR 2018, WITH FIRST HALF COLLECTION IN 2019; FOR THE PURPOSE OF “FOR THE GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, RESURFACING, AND REPAIR OF STREETS, ROADS, AND BRIDGES IN MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS, COUNTIES, OR TOWNSHIPS;” AS AUTHORIZED IN THE ORC SECTION 5705.19 (G), TO BE VOTED ON THE MAY 8, 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT; WAS INTRODUCED BY MR. JACOB STUBBS AND SECONDED BY MR. MARK CROSS. After discussion, the roll was taken and the vote was as follows: Mr. Stubbs – YES, Mr. Cross – Yes, Mrs. Reed – YES. RESOLUTION 2018-08 PASSED.
10. Mr. Keener informed the Board that, due to the February 5, 2018 Levy filing deadline with the Board of Elections, a Special Meeting would need to be scheduled once the funds were certified prior to passing the actual Levy Resolutions. It was decided to schedule the Special Meeting for January 24, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
11. Mr. Keener asked the Board to approving the issuance of credit cards for Mr. Cross and Mrs. Reed. Accordingly, RESOLUTION 2018-10, a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GERMAN TOWNSHIP CREDIT CARDS WITH LIMITS OF \$2,500 FROM FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GERMANTOWN TO BE ISSUED IN THE NAMES OF MARK CROSS AND ABRA REED was introduced by Mark Cross and seconded by Jacob Stubbs. After discussion, the roll was taken and the vote was as follows: Mr. Stubbs – YES, Mr. Cross – YES, Mrs. Reed – YES. RESOLUTION 2018-10 PASSED.

12. Mr. Keener informed the Board that the General Fund has historically paid the DP&L bill for the warning sirens. He went on to say that it would probably be more appropriate for this cost to be paid by the Fire-EMS fund instead. Accordingly, RESOLUTION 2018-11 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1000 WITHIN THE FIRE-EMS FUND TO PAY FOR THE ELECTRICITY COST OF THE WARNING SIRENS LOCATED WITHIN GERMAN TOWNSHIP was introduced by Jacob Stubbs and seconded by Mark Cross. After discussion, the roll was taken and the vote was as follows: Mr. Stubbs – YES, Mr. Cross – YES, Mrs. Reed – YES. RESOLUTION 2018-11 PASSED.
13. Mr. Keener asked the Board to approve the 2017 inventory to be forwarded to the Montgomery County Engineer. RESOLUTION 2018-12 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2017 INVENTORY, AS SHOWN AS SUBMITTED TO BE FORWARDED TO THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY ENGINEER was introduced by Mark Cross and seconded by Jacob Stubbs. After discussion, the roll was taken and the vote was as follows: Mr. Stubbs – YES, Mr. Cross – YES, Mrs. Reed – YES. RESOLUTION 2018-12 PASSED.
14. Mr. Keener reminded the Board of the following “dates to remember”:
  - Next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting – February 12, 2018
  - OTA Conference in Columbus – January 31 – February 3, 2018
15. Mr. Keener reminded the Board to sign the Purchase Orders.

**POLICE REPORT:**

Chief Andzik reported the following:

- Officer Jones and Idus have completed certification as of January 7, 2018 and are now available for use in Narcotics Detection and Tracking.
- The Police Department cancelled its Citizen’s Police Academy due to lack of interest at this time. They are planning on attempting to host another Citizen’s Police Academy later this year.

**ROAD / SERVICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

Mr. Holbrook reported the following:

- Mr. Holbrook and Scott Hamilton were going to be attending a required spray license class in January.
- Mr. Holbrook and Mr. Hamilton were planning on attending the OTA conference for one day.
- The “Unit 106” dump truck is having stalling issues and may have to go into the shop for repairs.
- Mr. Holbrook and Mr. Hamilton have been very busy salting the Township’s roads. To date, they have used approximately 40 tons of salt and 300 gallons of brine.

**TRUSTEE STUBBS REPORT:**

Mr. Stubbs reported the following:

- Mr. Stubbs stated that Township resident Kathleen Day had contacted the Trash office asking to have \$212.79 of her trash bill forgiven as it was from the previous owner of the property. Mr. Stubbs introduced a MOTION, seconded by Mrs. Reed to allow this. After discussion, MOTION passed.
- Cheryl Watson has announced that she is retiring as of March 31, 2018. It is hoped that we can find a replacement for her prior to that time so that she can assist in training. It was decided to

discuss the position description and the wording of the job posting at the upcoming January 24 special meeting.

- Mr. Stubbs introduced MOTIONS, seconded by Mrs. Reed to make the following 5 year appointments:
  - David Zenks to the Zoning Commission
  - Delone Jones to the Board of Zoning Appeals

After discussion, MOTION passed.

**TRUSTEE CROSS REPORT:**

Mr. Cross reported the following:

- The Fire/EMS Oversight meeting scheduled for January 2, 2018 was cancelled.
- Mr. Cross would like to purchase an additional lectern for the meeting room. He is going to pay for this out of his personal funds and donate it to the Township.
- Mr. Cross had filed a Freedom of Information Act request with the Army Corps of Engineers requesting the records concerning the Harris' fence. He was waiting on the request to be filled but expected to receive something in the near future.

**TRUSTEE REED REPORT:**

- None for this meeting.

**ZONING REPORT:**

Mrs. Watson submitted the following:

- The BZA and the Zoning Commission will be meeting on January 9, 2018. It will be an organizational meeting as well as a time for both Boards to share information. She submitted a calendar of the upcoming meetings.
- Mrs. Watson announced her retirement (noted above) as of March 31, 2018
- Mrs. Watson informed the Board that there were two Township residents who were interested in filling either a ZC or BZA seat when one becomes available. She has their applications in a file and sent them a Thank-You letter.

**TRASH REPORT:**

- NONE

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

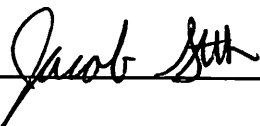
**NEW BUSINESS: NONE**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE**

**PURCHASE ORDERS WERE SIGNED.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED:**

With no further business, the Meeting Adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Signed:  \_\_\_\_\_

Attest:  \_\_\_\_\_