

The Suffield Township Board of Trustees met at the Administration Building on February 23, 2016 for the purpose of paying the bills of the Township. Chairman Thomas Calcei called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM. Present were Board Members Thomas Calcei, Jeff Eldreth, David Vartenuk, and Township Fiscal Officer Lori Calcei.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Vartenuk to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2016 meeting and the February 9, 2016 meeting as prepared and submitted by the Fiscal Officer:

Roll Call: Mr. Calcei-Yes, Mr. Vartenuk -Yes, Mr. Eldreth - Yes

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1. The Trustees acknowledge receipt of a sample of the survey card that Portage County Solid Waste Management sent out to Rootstown residents. Trustee Eldreth will meet with the Solid Waste District to discuss the survey that will go out to Suffield Township residents.

GUEST SPEAKERS (Mike Kerrigan & Brad Cromes)

Mike Kerrigan, a democrat running for Portage County Commissioner introduced himself and spoke about this qualification for the job. He will be on the ballot on March 15, 2016. Brad Cromes, a democrat who was appointed as Portage County Treasurer and will be on the primary ballot as well also introduced himself and spoke about what his office is doing in regards to tax collections and about the new "Home Improvement Program". This program helps homeowners apply for low interest loans to repairs or improve their property.

GUEST SPEAKER (Dana Heffner-First Energy)

Dana Heffner from First Energy discussed the "Electric Security Plan". This plan would increase monthly electric bills by about \$3.25. This amount will go down each year over the next eight years. Dana informed us that First Energy invested 1.8 Billion into 1 plant to improve the air quality. She also reminded us to let them know when street lights are out.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Trustee Eldreth informed us that the Road Department did some repair work on the guard rail on Congress Lake Rd., that he is going to request that the Portage County Engineer survey Steffy Rd from Congress Lake Rd. to the curve and that some trees on Etter Rd. may need to be removed.

Note:

Jon Yeargin, a resident, complimented the Road Department on the job they did during the recent snow storm.

ZONING

Mr. Vartenuk informed us that the Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on March 9 at 6:30, there will be a Zoning Appeals Hearing on March 17 at 8:00 for an accessory building. He also noted that the commission has been working on buffering areas between Industrial and Residential properties.

FIRE DEPARTMENT (PO)

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Vartenuk to approve a PO in the amount of \$6,000 for lettering/stripping and emergency warning lights for the new explorer.

Roll Call: Mr. Calcei-Yes, Mr. Vartenuk -Yes, Mr. Eldreth - Yes

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Robert Rasnick reported that the Fire Department held (4) Continuing Ed Classes and the following (80) Calls during the month of January:

(58) EMS Calls, (6) Vehicle Accident Calls, (11) Fire Response Calls & (5) Mutual Aid Calls

It was also reported that the Fire Department tied for its busiest month ever in January. The Fire Department responded to back to back calls 8 times in January.

MARTIN RD

We discussed the tax lien that was put on a property on Martin Rd. The Land Bank will be meeting on Wednesday and we have been told the Land Bank will try to remove this lien. Janet Esposito told Mr. Calcei to inform the resident not to pay the lien at this time. She will remove any fees or penalties that may occur until this problem is solved.

MONARCH PROPERTY

Mr. Albertoni informed the Trustees that he has been told by the Attorney General's office that there will be a court case filed in Portage County in March involving the Monarch Property.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Vartenuk to approve payment of all Wages, Invoices, Bills and/or Committed Obligations as prepared by the Fiscal Officer per warrants No. 44187 through 41220, EFT's 82 through 116, Electronic Payment 126 and Voucher 118.

Roll Call: Mr. Calcei- Yes, Mr. Eldreth - Yes, Mr. Vartenuk- Yes

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Eldreth to adjourn the meeting. (9:45p.m)

Roll Call: Mr. Vartenuk- Yes-, Mr. Calcei-Yes-, Mr. Eldreth- Yes

Thomas Calcei, Chairman

Date

Lori Calcei,
Fiscal Officer

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