

Minutes of the Board of Licking Township Trustees, Regular Meeting held at the Fire Co., Station 3, Jacksontown, OH at 7:00pm on May 17, 2010.

Mr. Hart called the meeting to order with the following members present: Joseph Hart, Ronald Acord and David Miller. Jill Linn was absent.

Others Present: Richard Cash, John Holman, Bill Ours, Joe Walker, Larry Gerlach, Jon Lynch, Will Kern, Robert Snedden, Charles Prince and Steve Patterson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Acord gave the Fire Co. report. Regarding the liability insurance there will need to have a rider on two items. The dry hydrant will be tested in the Rutledge pond.

Joe Walker turned in 3 permits totaling \$420. He had been checking on a complaint regarding the Misty Meadows easement by Mike Brenneman but there is no legal way to prevent it.

Mr. Miller received a complaint from a resident on Blue Bonnet that a neighbor is dumping water under the fence on their property. Mr. Miller contacted the engineers' office who then sent him to the soil conservation people who told him that it is a neighbor dispute.

Mr. Walker said that the resident in Misty Meadows is keeping the weeds mowed.

Mr. Miller said that the mowing should be done by Memorial weekend.

Mr. Miller brought in the road resurface list for review. Mr. Hart mentioned that we should contact the Evans Foundation to see if they are going to do anything about the area at the railroad tracks and if not we may want to add them to the list.

Mr. Miller mentioned that Jon Lynch sent a letter in which he talked with Dale Cannon from ODOT who mentioned that the speed limit on Licking Trails Road is 55mph. He also noted that ODOT would possibly conduct a speed study on the road, however, it needs to be initiated by the Township Trustees in coordination with the County Engineers' Office. Speed studies can be intensive and there are many types and it may be beneficial for this particular study focus on the road width and the population. After the study is completed it would be forwarded to ODOT for final approval. Mr. Miller met with LCATS and Tim Lollo. LCATS gave him a list of things they look for:

1. Is 85% of the people going over 55mph
2. Is the stop sight distance more than 500 feet and can you stop at 55mph
3. Has there been more than 5 correctible crashes in the last 12 months
4. Low traffic count - less than 200 cars a day

LCATS said that if you do not meet the criteria they will not send anyone out. He talked with Dale Cannon who said without these the road does not meet the specs to change the speed limit. Mr. Hart asked if we can use the speed limit radar machine so that people are aware of their speed. Mr. Miller will look in to it.

Mr. Miller said that he will work on getting a few bids for tree removal in the cemeteries.

Mr. Acord asked if the footer was included in the bid for the cemetery stones. Mr. Hart pulled out the estimate and it was included.

Mr. Miller has not been able to contact Tim Lollo regarding the right of way at Wilshire. Mr. Miller will check with him tomorrow.

Mr. Miller mentioned that the demo for the durapatcher will be rescheduled.

Will Kern, regarding Somerset Road, asked if they were going to make some kind of resolution to thank John Loudermilk as a private citizen for doing what he did at the corner of Somerset and St. Rt. 40. Will Kern mentioned that he brought the problem to the Trustees and they thought that they could not do anything help that situation on that side and he believes that what John has done will make the road a lot safer especially in the winter time.

Mr. Hart said that it is something that they should consider in the future once it is done and they see how it looks when the drainage is back in that was there prior to removing the corner and see what it looks like at that point and time.

Jon Lynch mentioned that he is disappointed with the follow up regarding the speed on Licking Trails Road. He believes it puts the township, especially the residents on that road in a reactive stance instead of a proactive stance. Mr. Miller mentioned that he went and talked with ODOT, the engineer and LCATS and this is the information that was given to him and he then in turn talked with Dale Cannon who said the same thing. Mr. Miller said that he can't make up things and say that there are 200 cars and he wishes he could slow down all the roads in the township to 45mph and if the state would adopt the width vs speed, which the township association has tried for six years to have done, and if 88 counties and 1400 townships can't get it done he doesn't think that the three trustees will be able to but that they are being reactive and the guidelines need to be followed. Will Kern said that Tim Lollo signed off on a speed limit sign on a road in Bowling Green Township without a speed study and that the guidelines were not followed so maybe they should ask Tim Lollo how that was done. Mr. Miller said that he will talk with him tomorrow. Mr. Hart mentioned that he does not think that there is any reluctance of the Board to try and do something to support Jon and the Trustees showed that by being out there the first week and doing what they could. Jon said that this Board has been more than accommodating and that he is looking for this Board to undo what the previous Board did by paving the road. Mr. Miller said that it was done by State Issue II monies and guidelines had to be followed. Jon thanked the Board for the actions that they have taken.

Mr. Hart suspended the meeting at 7:38pm to wait for the Fiscal Officer so check can be signed.

The Fiscal Officer was not going to make it to the meeting.

Mr. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58pm. Mr. Acord seconded the motion. Roll call: Hart, yes; Acord, yes; Miller, yes.

Attest

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