

Franklin Township Trustees
Tuesday, June 12, 2018
Regular Meeting Minutes

At 7:00pm Chairman Keith Benjamin called the meeting to order. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved by a motion made by Scott Swan; 2nd Ann Hanna. All three trustees voted yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Sgt. Scott Ulsenheimer – PCSO – reported that Raising Canes grand opening will have extra patrol coverage on June 26th; there have been some retail thefts in the township; the sheriff's department is considering the township offer of the pontoon boat usage on Brady Lake, and trustees asked Sgt. Ulsenheimer to check on traffic calming concerns on Brady Lake Road, in front of Lake Brady Methodist Church, where children cross regularly.
- Annette Petranic – Coleman Professional Services representative – asked for the temporary use of yard sale sized signs at 1778 St. Rt. 59 to promote a local event. Board approval was given.
- Stacia Kaschak – 813 Gemberling – spoke of her concerns regarding the change of her property edge bordering Hudson Road since Hudson Road Phase II was completed. The change in grade of the property has made it very difficult to maintain and mow; aesthetically less pleasing as well. She provided the board with pictures and a timeline and has asked that the grade be restored to what it was prior to the project. Trustees will visit the site and inspect and have asked Jake Biltz to be in contact with her to see what can be done.
- Tony Badalamenti addressed all present as a Portage County Commissioner candidate.
- Ron Musselman – 2051 East Swan Lake Circle – spoke to the board about the consideration of a rezoning idea for the parcel where the old village hall sits in Brady Lake. He stated that a rezoning to R-3/C-1 would allow for the possibility of six to eight housing units with two or three bedrooms in each as an investment. Trustees replied they would keep the suggestion in mind before considering disposal of the property.

ROAD REPORT

Submitted as written by Jake Biltz and is attached to the official record. Also, Mr. Biltz reported that the roof repair at village hall has been approved by our insurance company. Trustees asked that at least two quotes be looked at and that, if possible, township tradesmen be used. Mr. Biltz also submitted a quote for the purchase of a mini excavator (\$65,945) and asked about the hiring of a seasonal employee to assist with mowing and other extra work. The board approved the hire of a seasonal employee. Trustees asked about starting motrim throughout the township and about whether or not mulch had been sprayed for weeds - yes to both.

FIRE REPORT

Submitted as written by Tim Benner and is attached to the official record. No additional notes are required but Mr. Benner did participate in a discussion related to the skyrocketing cost of fire and ems contracted services and possible solutions to the control of such expenses. He strongly encourages open discussions with Kent fire staff and administration.

ZONING REPORT

Submitted as written by Sam Abell and is attached to the official record. Additionally, trustees called attention to continued possible misuse of the Moore property across from the Tavern at Twin Lakes and the Tudor-style home located at Sixth and Rugg as short term leasing/rentals; activity on the Garrett property that the township just paid to have cleared of junk; and continued concerns about safety at the Park Ave address where the structure is leaning dangerously and the open basement level continues to flood excessively.

OLD BUSINESS

- The response received from Osborne about the dust, noise and light concerns was discussed. The ownership is open to problem solving and addressing resident concerns.
- Acceptance of the parcel adjacent to Phillips Park on Ravenna Road was approved by a motion made by Keith Benjamin; 2nd Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes.

NEW BUSINESS

- Assistant Zoning Inspector Joe Ciccozzi was appointed as the alternate to the Portage County Regional Planning Commission by a motion made by Scott Swan; 2nd Ann Hanna. All three trustees voted yes.
- Benjamin Mathie was approved for hire full time in the road department at a pay rate of \$14.96/hour with a start date of June 18, 2018 by a motion made by Ann Hanna; 2nd Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ann Hanna reported that she has been contacted by Anthony Catalano, an Overlook Dr. resident, about the establishment of a noise ordinance. He provided her with examples of existing ones from elsewhere and she shared them with the board. This stems from noise concerns arising from the Fairways at Twin Lakes golf course. Owner, Dave Beck, and Mr. Catalano are trying to seek terms that will satisfy everyone.

FINANCES

- The 2016-2017 AUP audit is in progress
- Resolution 2018-14, authorizing the transfer of \$200,000 from the JEDD Fund to the Fire Fund, was approved by a motion made by Ann Hanna; 2nd Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes.
- Bills presented - warrants # 24064 through #24089, including payment vouchers, totaling \$317,029.57 – were approved for payment by a motion made by Ann Hanna; 2nd Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes.

At 8:35pm regular session was suspended to enter Executive Session for discussion of personnel by a motion made by Ann Hanna; 2nd Scott Swan. All three trustees voted yes. At 9:24 the regular session was resumed. At 9:25pm the meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Scott Swan; 2nd Ann Hanna. All three trustees voted yes.

DATE _____ FISCAL OFFICER _____

CHAIRMAN _____