

**ASH TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 16, 2013
6:30 p.m.**

The Ash Township Regular Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Ready Road hall by Supervisor Robin Carmack.

Members present: Supervisor – Robin Carmack, Clerk - Michele Geiermann, Treasurer – Rob Schock, Trustee – Jim Booth and Trustee Larry Buckingham.

Others present: Jim Vaslo - Township Manager, William Godfroy - Township Attorney, Jim Hollandsworth – Township Engineer, and Susie Forrest – Deputy Clerk.

Motion #905 Agenda Approval

Motion by Buckingham supported by Booth to accept the amended agenda.

Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Motion #906 Meeting Minute's Approval

Motion by Booth supported by Buckingham to approve the Proposed Regular Meeting Minutes of 12-19-12, and Proposed Special Meeting Minutes of 12-19-12. Voice vote taken.

Motion carried.

Motion #907 Bills Approval

Motion by Booth supported by Geiermann to approve bills # 1-140 in the amount of \$266,730.46 from General Ledger Fund, Water & Sewer Fund, and Fire Equipment Fund.

Roll Call: 5-Yes, 0-No. Motion carried.

Port Creek – Water Main Update

Ash Township Engineer expressed to the Ash Township Board that the Port Creek water main project was at the half way point. There are no issues going on and the contractor is anticipating that he will be done by the end of next week.

Biosolids

Ash Township Attorney Mr. Godfroy updated us on his efforts to modify the recently adopted Septic Waste Disposal Ordinance. It is Attorney Godfroy's intentions to incorporate the suggestions made by the Township Board regarding bio solids into the revision and submit for review and approval by the state attorney general.

Auxiliary Water Meters Agreement Update

Trustee Larry Buckingham stated to Supervisor Carmack that he has obtained a copy of the water agreement and will pass a copy onto the Board members.

Motion #908 Mr. Souva – Water Main Break

Motion by Carmack supported by Geiermann to table Mr. Souva until next meeting.
Voice vote Taken. Motion carried.

Survey for Road Millage

Supervisor Carmack drafted verbiage for a road millage survey for the residence of Ash Township. The Board would like to conduct the survey to find out the opinions of the residents before they would proceed.

Library Sign Quotes

Ash Township Manager Jim Vaslo presented the Board with quotes on a new Library sign. The Board members directed manager Vaslo to contact another sign company and also to get quotes on having a sign installed on the building instead of on the lawn. The Board also directed Mr. Vaslo to check and see how changing the name on the building would affect the Library.

Land Donation

After some due diligence by attorney Godfroy and manager Vaslo it appears that a clear deed on the Grafton Road property being considered for donation to the township will not be easy to come by. Due to at least two deaths of the original owners a clear trail of ownership is difficult to determine. Though disappointed the Township Board understood that claims could be made on the property in the future by unknown descendants of the original owners and have chosen to take no further action on the property.

Managers Report

The Ash Township Board did not have any questions or comments on the January manager's report.

Water Department Building

It was determined that the building is still useful to the water department and that sale of the building at this time is not necessary.

Motion #909 Reappointment of Board of Review Member Joe Carter

Motion by Carmack supported by Schock to reappoint Joe Carter to serve another term on the Board of Review, with his term ending December 31, 2014. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Motion #1000 Reappointment of Board of Review Member Sid Stumpmier

Motion by Carmack supported by Geiermann to reappoint Sid Stumpmier to serve another term on the Board of Review, with his term ending December 31, 2014. Voice vote taken. Motion carried

Motion #1001 Reappointment of Board of Review Member Donovan Edmonds

Motion by Carmack supported by Booth to reappoint Donovan Edmonds to serve another term on the Board of Review, with his term ending December 31, 2014. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Summer Lawn Care

Manager Vaslo explained that our two year contract with Dan's Pro Cut has ended and Dan has agreed to hold his current price for another two years. Mr. Vaslo is going to negotiate the additional cost for the new fire station with Dan and if he agrees to lower from \$65 per cut to \$50 per cut the board will not seek bids and award the contract to Dan's pro cut for another two years.

Swan Glen Estate/Crooked Creek Subdivision

Attorney Godfroy informed the Board that the easements for the Crooked Creek Subdivision water main still needs to be acquired. The homeowners association and the original three partners in the Swan Glen Estates development will be sought for their signatures on the easement and it will be registered and filed with the county register of deeds.

Motion #1002 Fire Works Resolution

Motion by Booth supported by Buckingham to table until next year. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Motion #1003 Leah Building Co.

Motion by Geiermann supported by Booth to allow Attorney Bill Godfroy to enter into the consent judgment with Leah Building Co. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Motion #1004 Fire Department Quote

Motion by Carmack supported by Geiermann to approve the quote from D&D Welding in the amount of \$1,050.00 for the fire department equipment repairs. Roll Call: 5-Yes, 0-No.
Motion carried.

Parcel #5801-027-030-10 Adel Property

The board was informed that at the January Planning Commission meeting Mr. Adel failed to obtain approval for four additional uses to his existing commercial site. The planning commission also recommended to the Township Board that immediate legal action be taken against Mr. Adel to have the unapproved uses removed immediately. Mr. Godfroy suggested that a 30 day letter be sent first and if no action is taken by Mr. Adel then court action be taken.

Motion # 1005 Meeting Adjourn

Motion by Booth supported by Carmack to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.
Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Geiermann
Ash Township Clerk