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APRIL 26, 2011

REGULAR MEETING

The Atwater Township Trustees held their regular scheduled meeting at the Atwater Town Hall located at 1219 St. Rte. 183 Atwater, Ohio 44201 on April 26, 2011 at 7:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE

Attending the meeting were Chairman John Kovacich, Trustee Dan Derberry, Trustee Lynn Whittlesey, Fiscal Officer Tracy Magrell, Fire Chief Mel Russell, Zoning Inspector Jim Donovan, Ron and Emma Stanfield, Martha Bevard, Naomi Wise, and James Sherbaugh.

John called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes.

Pledge and Prayer were received by all.

Tracy read the minutes of the April 12 meeting. Lynn made a motion to accept the minutes as read.

Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL

Monthly financial reports were presented. John made a motion to accept the financial reports as presented. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Ohio Department of Transportation sent information regarding the purchasing agreement for salt. Agreements must be received by May 27th, 2011.

Portage County Commissioners have removed the restriction of frost law reduced load limits.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Old Business

Mel reported that the FD received a grant in the amount of \$2,500.00. This grant is from seat belt fines.

John stated that we will be taking items to auction the third week of June. John will be reassembling the old generator so that it can be taken to auction.

Mel stated that Jesse Baughman would like to attend the Fire Inspector Continuing Education class at Cuyahoga Community College on June 13, 2011. The cost is \$55.00.

Dan made a motion to accept Jesse Baughman's request to attend the Fire Inspector Continuing Education class with a cost of \$55.00. Second by John.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

Mel spoke to Mitchell Communications regarding changing frequencies at the FD. The cost would be \$455.00 for licensing and frequency changes and two to three hundred dollars to reprogram all other equipment including pagers, hand held's and truck radios.

Dan made a motion to allow Mitchell Communication to make the necessary changes to the frequencies to add Narrow Band to all pagers and radios. The cost will be divided \$680.00 to FD and \$75.00 to Road Department. Second by Lynn.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

Mel has two personnel that would like to attend Dive School Training. The cost is \$415.00 for the class and \$200.00 for equipment including fins, masks and booties. At this time the FD has no certified divers. A definite date has not been set for the class. This will be tabled until the next meeting and a date has been set.

Mel spoke to the Ohio Fire Academy. The FD would like to bring the Burn Trailer to Atwater on September 24, 2011 for a class. The cost can be shared with other departments. Mel requests that

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the township reimburse the Fire Fighter Association for the FD share of the cost. They would have to look for a location to hold the class due to the amount of smoke. Mel is checking into a location.
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Mel asked regarding physicals for Cadets. He is suggesting one similar to a sports physical by a general family physician. Mel will research this further.

Mel has two topics for executive session.

ROAD

Old Business

John stated Dave and Tim have been busy ditching and getting ready to mow. They have completed the necessary repairs to Mrs. Cochran's property.

Lynn stated that east half of Virginia Road needs sealed. Other road suggestions were made. John is checking into the striping by Portage County Engineer. Lynn stated that the bridge on German Church Road is benchmarked to the Stark County Engineer.

Road department is going to continue to use the side mower as long as they can. Lynn checked into the state bid and that the side mower is not worth anything as a trade in.

New Business

None at this time.

ZONING

Old Business

Jim said he is waiting on the title search on the 6311 Elm Street property. John said he has received two bids for demolition of the property.

John made a motion to accept the bid from Wells Excavating for \$3,250.00 for demolition of the property at 6311 Elm Street. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

PO

None at this time

CEMETERY AND REAL ESTATE

Old Business

Lynn spoke to the resident regarding repairing the damage to the Town Hall walls that occurred during their rental. The resident made arrangement to come at a specific time to do the repairs and did not show up. The township will have the damage repaired and send the bill to this resident.

Lynn discussed the old rental contract with the Historical Society. Lynn has not yet received any new information from Chris Meduri's office on the new contract they are preparing.

John stated Tracy ordered and received new keys for the Road Department time clock and it is now showing the correct times.

New Business

None at this time.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Old Business

Tracy stated that the banking account with Chase Bank is now up and running. She is still in the process of getting new credit cards.

Lynn said he sent the changes to be made to Megan at OTARMA regarding insurance and has not received a reply as of this time. Lynn also said he sent more information to Traveler's regarding the bonding claim.

Dan received an email from Chris Meduri. Mr. Kugler's attorney said they are willing to get rid of the animals. Chris recommended the township not pursue the installation of the fence for at

at least 30 days to see if the animals are removed. Mr. Lindsay can continue to place up his fence from the road to the corral. If the animals are removed the township is no longer involved in this issue. Dan called A1 fence and put them on hold.
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John stated the township received one resident waiver request from Life Force Management.

John made a motion to waive one resident request in the amount of \$116.31. Second by Lynn.
Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

John made a motion to accept BC #23 to expire 12/31/2011 for EMS Contracting service in the amount of \$6,000.00 and BC #24 to expire 12/31/2011 for FD Operating Supplies in the amount of \$8,000.00. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

John made a motion to acct receipts 91 thru 109 totaling \$14,401.77. Second by Lynn.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

John made a motion to pay warrants 30001 thru 30032 in the amount of \$10,262.98. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Atwater Historical Society will hold its monthly meeting tomorrow night with guest speaker David Doak.

Dan spoke to J&J Roofing and as soon as the weather permits they bill begin the repairs on the Historical Building roof.

The Atwater Spring Clean-Up will be held this Friday and Saturday.

The Atwater Methodist Church will be having a steak dinner this Saturday.

Martha asked how many dogs can be on one property before a kennel license needs to be obtained. Research is needed on this subject.

Randolph Knights of Columbus is having a golf outing on June 4, 2011 at Paradise Lake.

Resident Hobey Horn spoke to the trustees and strongly recommended that the township purchase a Warning System for tornados for the residents. He believes the weather pattern is changing and cannot stress enough how important it is to have this in place.

Mel said he had recently spoken to Jeff Mitchell concerning a warning siren. Each siren covers five square miles and costs approximately \$5,000.00 each. To cover the entire township we would need a total of five sirens.

John made a motion to go into executive session with FD to discuss personnel at 8:32 pm. Second by Dan.

Roll call: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

John made a motion to go back into regular session at 8:52 pm. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried

Dan made a motion to accept the application for new cadet Tony Hermann based on the recommendation by Mel. Second by Lynn.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

John made a motion to pay bills at 8:53 pm. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

John made a motion to adjourn at 8:53 pm. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. Lynn; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

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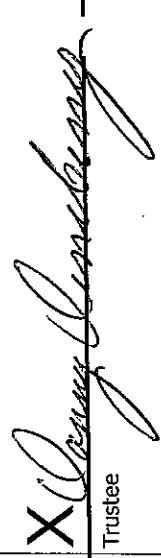
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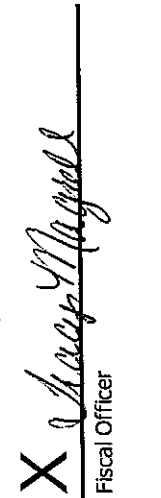
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