

Walnut Township Trustees Meeting

July 7, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM. Trustees Doug Leith, William Yates and Terry Horn were present.

Bids for the 2015 Road Projects were accepted up until 7:30 PM today. One bid was received from Shelley Company with representative Brad Boyer present at the meeting. The bid package was reviewed and all required documents were received. The base bid for the project is \$155,425.20, with the addendum of Geiger Road from Millersport Road to Cattail Road at \$41,527.26. The total of the project with the addendum is \$196,952.46.

There was discussion regarding whether the Trustees wanted to move forward with the addendum to the project due to the limited allocated funds remaining for 2015 and Tim's statements regarding replacing or repairing vehicles and equipment. The front end loader is currently being worked on and the cost of the repair is not known yet.

Trustee Horn moved to pass **Resolution 15-14** to accept the base bid of \$155,425.20 and award the project to Shelley Company. Trustee Leith seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 yes votes. A decision will be made on the addendum at the July 21st meeting and all paperwork will be completed at that time.

The minutes for June 16th were submitted for approval. Trustee Horn made a motion to approve the minutes with noted changed. Trustee Leith seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 yes votes.

Trustee Leith made a motion to approve checks 24750 through 24780, and EFT 2015-426 through EFT 2015-465 and the June Activity report of electronic payments, after being certified that funds are available and appropriations have been made by Fiscal Officer Kraner. Trustee Horn seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 yes votes.

Trustee Horn acknowledged the receipt of the Cash Summary by Fund, Payment Listing, Fund Status and Appropriation Summary by the trustees.

There was a discussion regarding putting funds in the capital line item in the Road and Bridge fund for the purpose of purchasing equipment in the next three years. Trustee Horn made a motion to move \$25,000 to the capital line item from the contracted services line. Trustee Leith seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 yes votes.

Trustee Leith made a motion to approve the 2016 Budget. Trustee Horn seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 yes votes.

Comments

There were no comments.

Department Reports

Chief Hite – Thurston Walnut Township Fire Department –

8:11PM Trustee Yates moved to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment of a public employee per ORC 121.22 item G1. Trustee Horn seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 yes votes. The trustees returned from Executive Session at 8:20 PM.

The station has a new water tank and the furnace will be moved to the center of the station toward the end of the year to increase efficiency. The new insurance policy naming the Village of Thurston and Walnut Township as an additional insured party has been received.

Trustee Horn made a motion to accept Jason Smith as a part-time firefighter and Brad Lewis, Matthew Short and Doug Fleahman as volunteers. Trustee Yates seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 yes votes.

Kevin Clouse, Zoning Inspector – Kevin has the new updated zoning maps for the trustees and all BZA and ZC members. The structure known as Smitty's has been raised by ODNR and the yellow house on the spillway is to be raised soon. The Zoning Commission is

meeting next Thursday to review the rezoning application form I1 to I2 for the property formerly known as Starlight Lanes.

Holly Mattei, Regional Planning, is redoing the land use plan for Fairfield County. If the township would like a custom land use plan, she would complete at their standard hourly rate.

Mike King - Recycling – Nothing tonight.

Tim Morris – Road Supervisor – Tim and Mike have used the GoPro on Lieb's Island to test how to use the equipment.

Tim and Mike have completed the Durapatcher training and have been experimenting on the township driveway to get a feel for the equipment.

The salt contract for Winter 2015-2016 will be with Cargill and the cost will be \$73.19/ton. The use of salt has been cut in half over the last four years with the addition of grits. Tim has applied for the Salt Settlement for 2008-2011 time periods. The salt usage was 1400 tons in 2008/2009, 1600 tons in 2009/2010 and 1569 tons in 2010/2011.

Old Business

There was a discussion regarding the road repaid prep that Tim and Mike are working on. The 2 culverts on Bickel Church have been replaced.

The letter that Doug placed in the Beacon regarding items not being placed in the road right-of-ways has received favorable comments.

Door hangers will be created to notify residents of potential violations – with the road supervisor information on one side and the zoning inspector information on the flip side.

There was a discussion regarding reimbursement of medical premiums for employees not on the township insurance plan. Dealing with Mike's coverage is a priority.

Trustee Leith attended the DAC meeting. All Health Departments must be accredited by 2020. Currently, the septic systems in Liberty and Violet townships are being targeted for

inspection this year as well as any new septic systems. There are approximately 18,000 septic systems in Fairfield county and the goal is to inspect them every 5 years. There was also discussion regarding Botulism and the priority of co-ordination between the hospitals – to save lives and the Health department to find the cause.

At 9:26 PM, Trustee Leith made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Horn seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 yes votes.

Lynn Kraner, Fiscal Officer

William Yates, Chairman

Terry Horn

Doug Leith