

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MANTUA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING

Held January 9, 2014

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The Board of Trustees of Mantua Township convened in regular session from 7:55 P.M. to 9:40 P.M. in the Mantua Township Hall. Chairman Jason Carlton called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present: Jason Carlton, John Festa, Victor Grimm, Trustees. Marie Stehli, Fiscal Officer. John Dickey, Zoning Inspector. Jim Aldrich, Sexton. Phil Derthick, Dave Pollard, Zoning Commission. Susan Skrovan, Zoning Commission Secretary. Betsy Woolf, BZA Secretary. Several Residents.

Introduction

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Jason Carlton.

Financial Report

The Fiscal Officer presented the following financial report:

2014 Temporary Appropriations:	\$	415,740.50
2014 Payments:	\$	12,077.47
Encumbered, not paid:	\$	63,666.23
Unencumbered balance:	\$	360,538.36
2014 Receipts:	\$	100.00
Cash balance:	\$	554,073.32 with
	\$	550,945.54 invested

Main Meeting

Zoning Report

John Dickey gave the zoning report, stating income for December of \$80, and summarizing permits issued, notices sent and actions taken. The Elmo Christy case goes to court January 21, 2014. He also gave a summary of calls and requested that the trustees review a permitting fee for filings required by Portage County for such things as temporary signs, demolition, relocations and removal of structures. The filing project is about halfway done.

Sexton report

Jim Aldrich gave the sexton report for December, including footer fees of \$145, burial fees of \$325 and grave sales of \$175. He also requested a salary increase commensurate with his work load.

Road Report

Victor Grimm reported salt orders are coming in slow. John Festa felt that the road crew is keeping up with keeping the roads clean.

Club & Committee Reports

Frank Horack reported that Barb is taking care of the urns and the plaques are in process. The dedication ceremony is on target for Memorial Day.

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Trustee Reports

Jason Carlton said that since we are in the top 100 locations for crash statistics in the state, he has applied for a \$6666 sign grant. The Village can be included in the grant. Signs are to be purchased through ODOT and properly installed. Marie asked for a copy of the grant for her records.

Brian Savage will come up February 4, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. to discuss health insurance.

A Regional Planning meeting regarding the school that was scheduled for January 7, 2014 was cancelled due to weather and will be re-scheduled. It was set for January 29 at the Civic Center.

Spring Clean-up was set for May 3. Tire dumpsters will again be available.

John Festa said that Windstream offers internet service DSL lines for up to 2 offices for \$34.99+\$15. They will provide WIFI. **RES 17-14** Motion to have Windstream provide internet service at the quoted rate by John Festa, seconded by Jason Carlton. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton, Yes. John Festa, Yes. Victor Grimm, Yes.

Victor Grimm said that the heaters have been ordered for the garage and should be in any day. Also the inventory has been updated.

Old Business

Vic handed out an updated alcohol policy for the Civic Center and Gym Annex. He asked Matt Parsons for input. Matt said that most homeowners don't carry such a high liability policy. (\$500,000). We won't be able to rent the building. They would need an alcohol endorsement. Homeowner's policies would normally cover damage. Matt said most policies are \$100,000-\$300,000 max. Vic will follow up.

John said that there was some damage to the block around the Townhall sign.

Marie said that the certified letter about damage to the school gym annex was returned unopened. Vic will follow up with Chris.

Photos for the fair board will be taken at the All Boards meeting. Invitations are going out. Marie will have W-2's at the next meeting.

Public Comments

The following spoke during public comments:

Mark Hall asked about cutting the Zoning Commission back to one alternate. Jason feels that appointed board members should be there. John concurred, saying that the Zoning Commission does not make rulings like the BZA does. Vic still believes that there should be 2 alternates.

Phil Derthick noted that 2 Zoning Commission members are gone for the winter. He also asked about the school building being able to be used for a shelter.

Bob Zullo asked if there will be a shred day again this year. Jason said it will probably grow. Vic added that most liked it. Mr. Zullo also asked about the speed on Skinner Road. Marie may have a speed study.

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Betsy Woolf said that when she went to work on the zoning computer her files had been deleted.

Carole Pollard, addressing the school building, said that the Trustees are elected to make decisions.

Matt Parsons wanted to clarify that his earlier statements on the insurance do not represent his company's position. Only his.

Dave Pollard asked about the sign grant and about the idea of the emergency shelter.

Steve Zielinski asked why we are just now talking about the school being used as a shelter. Vic said it was the intent from the time the school was purchased.

Finale

RES 18-14 Motion to pay the following bills by John Festa, seconded by Jason Carlton. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton, Yes. John Festa, Yes. Victor Grimm, Yes.

MANTUA TOWNSHIP PAID BILLS			1/9/2014
201129	POSTMASTER	680 STAMPS	312.80
201130	ANTHEM BLUE CROSS	HEALTH INSURANCE DENTAL, VISION, LIFE	6,061.47
201131	OHIO INSURANCE SERVICES	INSURANCE	366.11
201132	RECORD PUBLISHING	LEGAL AD	10.50
201133	DOMINION EAST OHIO	DECEMBER SERVICE	1,602.47
201134	MANTUA HARDWARE	MAINTENANCE ITEMS	29.05
201135	MANTUA AUTO PARTS	MAINTENANCE ITEMS	211.20
201136	WESTERN RESERVE FARM COOP	FUEL & SUPPLIES	1,780.50
201137	LOWES	HEATERS & MAINTENANCE ITEMS	307.84
201138	OSCAR BRUGMANN SAND & GRAVEL	11.96 TONS GRAVEL	134.10
201139	MORTON SALT	45.87 TONS ROAD SALT	<u>1,261.43</u>
			12,077.47

RES 19-14 Motion to adjourn the meeting by Jason Carlton, seconded by John Festa. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton, Yes. John Festa, Yes. Victor Grimm, Yes.

The meeting was adjourned till January 16, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. for the next regular meeting.

Victor Grimm

Jason Carlton

John Festa

Marie Louise Stehli, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Mantua Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.