

# MANTUA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

## SPECIAL MEETING

Held May 27, 2014

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The Board of Trustees of Mantua Township convened in regular session from 6:50 p.m. to 8:37 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 joined later.

Jason Carlton announced that the meeting was to discuss roads and risk insurance. It was advertised in the Record Courier. Bids for the Chip & Seal are to be advertised on June 1 & 7.

Round 29 Public Works was discussed. It was discussed to take off Winchell west and bid Winchell east to Vincent and the 3 Aurora Meadows roads. The Aurora Meadows project was to include John Edward. Larry Lietzow spoke out saying that the center road of the Meadows is good. Victor Grimm said that it was just given a leveling coat. The three roads should have been paved as a part of the sewer project. Marie Stehli suggested bidding the three Meadows roads separately as we did with Hilldale and Loris. It was agreed to do John Edward regardless, with a section of Winchell for the project. Anthony (Zumba) can send Dan (Jendrasiak) out to look at Mantua Center-it is not 18' wide at the ditches.

Frost near Diagonal was discussed. Allyn is ½ mile, John Edward is .3.

Jason thought that the high volume of truck traffic might help on Allyn. The road must be at least 18' wide and a permanent improvement to be funded. Winchell will be chipped & Sealed, Allyn has more truck traffic. The project should also include grinding. Beavers have blocked culverts on Allyn. It was suggested to use grindings for berm materials to cut costs.

**RES 116-14** Motion to submit Allyn Road and John Edward for Round 29 by Victor Grimm, seconded by Jason Carlton. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton yes, John Festa yes, Victor Grimm, yes.

**RES 117-14** Motion to name Victor Grimm as project manager for Allyn Road/John Edward paving by Jason Carlton, seconded by John Festa. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton yes, John Festa yes, Victor Grimm, yes.

We will use the description from last year's project for John Edward. The components were pavement planning, paving, berming and striping. Marie will do a cost work-up.

Insurance was then discussed. We have 2 quotes-one from Love Insurance, and one from OTARMA, represented by Ellerhorst/Russell. John Festa said that OTARMA was the better plan. It offers \$3 million in coverage; the Ohio Plan offers \$2 million. It would cost \$1220 to buy the additional \$1 million in coverage, making Love's price \$10680, compared to OTARMA's price of \$8813, saving \$1867 with OTARMA. Vic felt that we would have to buy additional insurance if we leave the Ohio Plan. OTARMA is self-funded-it is not handled by insurance companies. Vic is not in favor of this pool system. Jason said that both have called him. OTARMA has 17/18 of the Townships in Portage County. We have been with the Ohio Plan for 15 years. OTARMA gives out grants. Jason feels that both companies are good. Vic said that those with OTARMA can't leave and go elsewhere. Marie was asked her opinion. She noted that we have used the legal team a lot with the Ohio Plan. OTARMA said that they only deal with legal issues with cemeteries, when asked. John Festa is concerned that there is

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\$3 million in coverage with OTARMA, and \$2 million with Ohio Plan. Marie said that we have never come close to using that much in claims, but we have used the legal a lot. Also, OTARMA does not have an insurer underwriter.

**RES 118-14** Motion to accept the OTARMA insurance plan for the proposed time of June 1, 2014-June 1, 2015 by John Festa, seconded by Jason Carlton. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton yes, John Festa yes, Victor Grimm, No.

Next meeting is June 5.

**RES 119-14** Motion to adjourn made by Jason Carlton, seconded by John Festa. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton yes, John Festa yes, Victor Grimm, yes.

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Victor Grimm

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Jason Carlton

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John Festa

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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.