

COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting of May 10, 2018

The Coventry Township Board of Trustees met in regular session on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Coventry Town Hall.

Call to Order:

Chairman Richard Kutuchief called the meeting to order and asked Administrator, Anna Bryant to record the following Trustees present: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. All Trustees were recorded present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Old Business:

Approval of Minutes

180510-01 Richard Kutuchief made a motion to approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes of the special meetings of April 9, 2018, April 10, 2018, April 23, 2018 and regular meeting of April 12, 2018. Tom Seese seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

New Business:

Reports by Department Heads

Sgt. Hadley from the Summit County Sheriff's Office reported that there were 765 calls for service during the month of April, year to date, 2,977. There were 45 traffic stops and 53 arrests. There has been a noticeable increase in thefts throughout the community. He reminded residents to lock car doors and close garage doors. He asked that people call if they see unusual people in their neighborhood.

John Dolensky, Fire Chief (absent - vacation)

Grant Award: Ohio BWC - Safety Intervention Grant for Firefighters Exposure to Environmental Elements

Anna Bryant explained that Ohio is partnering with fire departments to minimize the exposure to dangerous cancer causing elements by helping to purchase essential personal protective equipment.

180510-02 Tom Seese made a motion to accept the award of the Ohio BWC Safety Intervention Grant for Firefighters Exposure to Environmental Elements in the amount of \$4,287.50 and a Township share of \$857.50 for the purchase of 42 Nomex Particulate Hoods and 21 Structural Firefighting Washable Gloves for a total cost of \$5,145.00. Edward Diebold seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Lael Stouffer, Road Superintendent

2018 Road Resurfacing Program

Lael Stouffer explained that this is to resurface 7 miles of township streets. All costs have been previously accounted for and approved during appropriations.

180510-03 Tom Seese made a motion to approve a blanket certificate in the amount of \$363,000 for road resurfacing. Edward Diebold seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Vaughn Trail Culvert Replacement

Lael Stouffer explained that this project was bid in conjunction with the two county culverts being replaced on N. Turkeyfoot Rd. All funding has been previously approved in the appropriation schedule.

180510-04 Tom Seese made a motion to approve a blanket certificate in the amount of \$62,000 for the Vaughn Trail culvert replacement project. Edward Diebold seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Jarvis Road Maintenance Agreement with City of Green

Lael Stouffer explained that Coventry Township and the City of Green recognize that there should be a formal agreement in which details each other's boundaries and areas of responsibility in regards to its border on Jarvis Rd. This agreement will also allow for joint applications for grant funding.

180510-05 Tom Seese made a motion to approve a maintenance agreement for Jarvis Rd between Coventry Township and the City of Green as approved by legal counsel. Edward Diebold seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Seasonal Road Worker - Wage Change

180510-06 Richard Kutuchief made a motion to change the seasonal road worker rate from \$.50 above minimum wage, to \$3.00 above minimum wage in order to be competitive with surrounding communities. Edward Diebold seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Anna Bryant, Administrator reported that the Summit County Engineer's Office has approved our request for installation of flower boxes on the Ned Mohrman Bridge. The Portage Lakes Young Professional's group has donated \$1,000 toward the project. She is looking forward to working with Sue Johns and the Road Department to get them planted and installed.

Vicki Tavenier from the Coventry School Board reported on end of the school year activities. She announced that their Treasurer has resigned, so they are in search of a new Treasurer. The next School Board meeting will be May 24th at 6:00 p.m.

Report by the Fiscal Officer:

Robert Saffian

180510-07 Tom Seese made a motion to receive all bills and salaries, warrant numbers 69305 to 69402 as certified by Fiscal Officer, Robert Saffian, and subject to audit. Edward Diebold seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 3-0. (A listing of the warrants will be made a part of these minutes.)

Advance out from the General Fund

This motion is to advance \$150,000 from the General fund to the Road Levy fund – funds will be repaid to the General fund once received.

180510-08 Tom Seese made a motion to advance \$150,000 from fund 1000 – General Fund to Fund 2193 – Road Levy and to approve an advance out in repayment to Fund 1000 - General Fund upon receipt of levy funding. Edward Diebold seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Reports by Trustees:

Edward Diebold thanked everyone for their participation in the Earth Day clean-up. He and Lael attended the Summit County Engineer's Annual dinner. The water levels are lowered, but

according to ODNR will start refilling around May 14th. He attended the Tasted of Coventry, and reported that it was a fantastic event. He wished all of the mother's a Happy Mother's Day.

Tom Seese reported that he is still volunteering to mow. Tree roots and dandelions are taking over. He discussed areas where the trees are causing some issues, especially with our tennis courts. He advised that he attended the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting for the owners of Pick's. There was concern over loud music. It is the intent of the new owner to have music on the weekends, but only until 8 p.m. Hopefully that will satisfy the neighborhood. The BZA and George Beckham are on top of the situation.

Richard Kutuchief stated that your elected officials are out there working for the residents. It has been a rough dandelion season. He donated funding to have the yard next to the Admin/Fire Department treated by TrueGreen. We will be looking at placing a Parks Levy on the November ballot. We need the support and everyone will benefit. Volunteers make our community go. He thanked Paul Neugebauer and Sue Johns for their efforts and invited others to join in.

Public Comments:

- Graham Evans: Explained that he is a Boy Scout working toward his Eagle Scout and would like to give back for his project. He presented drawings for two scorer's tables to be used at the baseball field dugouts. Edward Diebold asked him if he had discussed it with the teams, if it was something they would use. Mr. Evans stated yes, they thought it was a great idea. Tom Seese stated he was fine with the project and thanked him. The Board agreed he could go ahead with his project.
- Mary Antenora – Organ Ave.: Stated that there is a real problem with leaf pick-up. Neighbors don't clean up their leaves or clean out their ditches. Tom Seese explained that we have leaf drop-off events. Lael Stouffer explained that we don't have the manpower to do a leaf pick-up service.
- Carol Eubanks – Portage Lakes Historical Society: asked if the Township could consider doing a shredding event. She announced that the Antique Boat Show will be on June 23rd. The Historical Society will have a booth. June 30th will be the Boat Parade, Sand Castle Contest and Fireworks.
- Sue Johns – stated that she has ordered over 5,000 flowers so far and is excited for the season. She asked anyone wanting to volunteer or donate to please contact Anna.

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting:

Tom Seese made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Edward Diebold seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Chairman

Fiscal Officer