

COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting of January 11, 2018

The Coventry Township Board of Trustees met in regular session on Thursday, January 11, 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, (Excused – Out of Town); Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Two Trustees were recorded present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Old Business:

Approval of Minutes

181101-01 Tom Seese made a motion to approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting and workshop of December 14, 2017, and the special meeting of January 8, 2018. Richard Kutuchief seconded the motion. Roll call: Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 2-0.

New Business:

Reports by Department Heads

Lael Stouffer, Road Superintendent requested the following motion:

Road Equipment Repairs & Maintenance

Lael Stouffer explained that this is to cover repairs and maintenance of all road department vehicles and equipment and is within the previously approved appropriation schedule. We currently have several major repairs due to the recent snow storms including two of the hydraulic motors on our salt spreaders, repairs to plow blades as well as several other items. This BC will cover general maintenance as well.

181101-02 Tom Seese made a motion to approve a blanket certificate for repairs and maintenance of road department equipment in the amount of \$ 15,000. Richard Kutuchief seconded the motion. Roll call: Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 2-0.

George Beckham, Zoning Inspector announced changes to the zoning boards that were decided at the January 8th Organizational Meeting. He advised residents as a reminder that door-to-door soliciting is not allowed in Coventry Township. He received a call this past week from a resident who had a solicitor knock on the door late in the evening. He advised any resident who receives solicitors to advise them that it is not allowed and to also call the Sheriff's Office to report it.

Summit County Engineer Representative reported on recent activity in the Township. He updated the Board on current and upcoming construction and site approvals from the Engineer. The East and North Reservoir Dam projects were briefly discussed.

Report by the Fiscal Officer:

Robert Saffian

181101-03 Tom Seese made a motion to receive all bills and salaries, warrant numbers 68948 to 69027 as certified by Fiscal Officer, Robert Saffian, and subject to audit. (A listing of the warrants will be made a part of these minutes.) Richard Kutuchief seconded the motion. Roll call: Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 2-0.

Reports by Trustees:

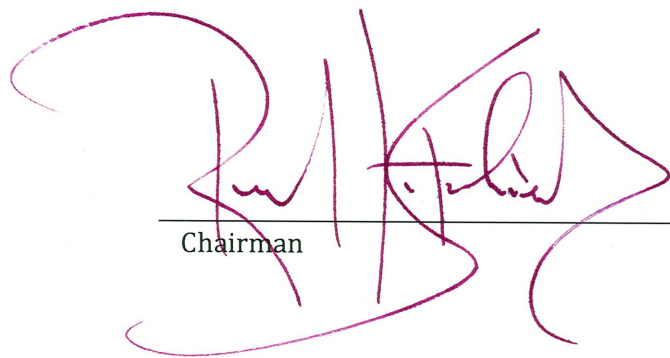
Tom Seese thanked Cornerstone Methodist Church on behalf of the residents for selecting the Township as the location for their nativity display. A lot of people really enjoyed seeing it over the holidays. He discussed winter recreation on the lakes and voiced concern over the State's decision to keep the buoys in while the lake is frozen. He would like to send a letter regarding liability and safety concerns for our residents. If they are not going to remove the buoys they need to do something to light them up before someone gets hurt, because they are not that easy to see when it's dark.

Richard Kutuchief also thanked Cornerstone for the nativity scene as well as Lael for having the electric box installed, and Tom for coordinating the installation with the Church. He received a lot of positive feedback and felt that everyone really enjoyed it. We have a lot going on in our Township with the Dam Project and the Kieffer Marine building being demolished. He explained that he and his family enjoy the recreation and beauty of the area all year long. Coventry Township truly is the "heart of the Portage Lakes." We held our Organizational Meeting earlier this week and he was honored to have been appointed as Chairman. He looks forward to the coming year and working with his fellow elected officials and Department Heads who are all very committed to our Township.

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting:

Tom Seese made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Richard Kutuchief seconded the motion. Roll call: Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 2-0.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.



Chairman



Fiscal Officer