

JULY 10, 2013

The regular meeting of the Ellsworth Trustees was called to order at 7:02 pm. A quorum was established with a roll call: Trustee Laura Lewis – present, Trustee Curtis Morrison – present and Chairman – William Spellman - present. Also present were Fiscal Officer Karen Grittie, Fire Chief Robert Sternburg, Matt Stroney of Maintenance, Attorney Finamore, Attorney Mathews, Deputy Zoning Inspector Mike Kurilla, 9 visitors and Deputy Wills for security. Western Reserve News was videotaping. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Trustee Lewis made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Chairman Spellman. The vote was Trustee Lewis – yes, Chairman Spellman – yes, and Trustee Morrison – no. Trustee Morrison explained he voted no as he felt the minutes were too long and detailed. Trustee Morrison read ORC 507.04. Chairman Spellman approved the minutes because the changes he submitted prior to the meeting were corrected, adding we asked for a legal opinion, which we got, and we should abide by that. Trustee Lewis felt the minutes in years past were not detailed enough.

FISCAL REPORT: The bank balance was \$951,515.42. Trustee Morrison made a motion to accept the advances for tax year 2012 pay year 2013 per the stated schedule, seconded by Chairman Spellman. All in favor. A bill from Tom's Sewer was received for the baseball fields. In 2012 we paid \$360 for the handicapped port-a-john. Chairman Spellman spoke to WRBO concerning our commitment to pay for the handicapped port-a-john only and meeting with WRBO earlier in 2014 to reach an agreement. Trustee Lewis made a motion to pay \$110 to Tom's Septic and to accept the letter to Western Reserve Baseball Organization, detailing what Ellsworth Township expects of WRBO in order to use the baseball fields in 2014, seconded by Trustee Morrison. All in favor. There were two correspondences: The Mahoning County Engineer's monthly newsletter and an invitation for the Open House at the Tri Lakes Library in North Jackson.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Matt Stroney reported floor drains cleaned at maintenance and fire station. Door opener repaired at fire station. Gas line at fire station back drive landscaped. Road crack seal will be delivered. Mr. Stroney is coordinating with Berlin Township on road sealing. Street and Green Team signs have been purchased and will be installed. Quoted from Banner Supply and ABC Supply were received for roof sealer. ABC Supply is cheaper, including roof top delivery, and return of unused sealer. Elias Lloyd Road has been paved. Additional base material (not included in the specifications) was purchased at Lafarge for the three entrances into the ball fields. The County Engineer's office inspected the paving project. Eighteen tons of limestone will be needed for the shoulders of Elias Lloyd Rd at a cost of approximately \$400, to be delivered by McCoy Trucking. The Sheriff's office needs upgraded. Materials needed are: ceiling panels, windows, 50 yards of carpet, paint, lumber for framing and trim, for approximately \$2000. Mr. Stroney has 30 projects to do. Trustee Morrison suggested Mr. Stroney be allowed to work more than 24 hours a week, A discussion followed about flex time, grass season, winter projects, roof sealing, mausoleum ceiling, road crack sealing, and the amount of good weather there is left. There was one burial and one cremation. Trustee Morrison made a motion for roof sealing material @ \$2525.22, Sheriff's out post ceiling panels @ \$200, windows @ \$419.85, and paint @ \$75.00, material for back fill on edges of road @ \$400, 3 tons of base material for road @ \$26.52, and Mr. Stroney's hours increased up to 30 hours when needed. The trustees are to be called in advance for additional hours. Total expenditures were \$3646.59. Second by Trustee Lewis. All in favor.

ZONING REPORT: There was no report as the Mr. Durkin, Zoning Inspector was absent as his relatives were in from Ireland. They are planning a memorial for his sister.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Sternburg thanked Mr. Hank Krut for the Garman GPS Mr. Krut donated to the Ellsworth ambulance. Chief Sternburg reported there has been 1 hazardous call, 5 good intents calls, 1 service, 1 false alarm, 12 EMS calls, 1 motor vehicle crash, 7 EMS transports, for a total of 280 fire fighter hours. The calculations for the 50 year drought study for ISO were completed by Jason Young. The flow rate on all the dry hydrants have been tested and 3 hydrants that need attention before the ISO report is submitted. Trustee Morrison made a motion to accept the Fire report and to allocate \$2220.65 for operating supplies for ISO, seconded by Trustee Lewis. All in favor.

EMS REPORT: There were 7 transports for the month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: TRUSTEE MORRISON gave Penn Ohio Regional Health Care Alliance for our health insurance to the Fiscal Officer. There were three bids to remove diseased maple trees in cemetery. One bid was incomplete. Trustee Morrison made a motion to accept Top Notch's proposal at \$1600 to cut down the trees, seconded by Trustee Lewis. All in favor. Trustee Morrison worked with liability insurance company on insuring the structures at the ball fields. The additional premium was \$184 per year.

TRUSTEE LEWIS: Chief Sternburg contacted the continuous renters of the fire hall to sign the hold harmless clause. Documentation of payment for playground mulch has been sent to Lou Vega of The Green Team for reimbursement via their grant. The sealing of Town Hall lot and cemetery was completed. Trustee Lewis also researched a computer for Maintenance that a cemetery mapping program could be installed on. Trustee Lewis made a motion to purchase a computer for Maintenance, with 18 months of virus protection and Microsoft Word for \$519, seconded by Trustee Morrison. All in favor. The website has been updated.

CHAIRMAN SPELLMAN: An email was sent concerning Ohio Public Works Commission, but Ellsworth does not qualify. The Chair will complete an inventory for qualifying in the future. A copier is needed for the Zoning Commission. At the next meeting the handling of cash and receipts will be looked at. There is no word on the RUMA agreements with drilling companies for road maintenance. The Chair will be looking into a professional to work to secure money from the Ohio Attorney General's office for the abandoned homes. MS Consultants inspected the maintenance building. It was suggested to monitor the building for 4 seasons, as there is nowhere for the water to get out. Trustee Morrison asked the Chair to write a thank you to MS Consultants for the inspection. Tools will be needed to complete the monitoring.

NEW BUSINESS: At 8:40 pm Trustee Morrison made a motion to go into executive session per the ORC121.22,G,3 to confer with the attorney concerning the lawsuit, seconded by Chairman Spellman. The vote was Trustee Morrison yes, Chairman Spellman, yes. Trustee Lewis abstained. Chairman Spellman, Trustee Morrison, Attorney Finamore, Attorney Mathews and Deputy Kurilla went into executive session. At 9:23 pm Chairman Spellman made a motion to return to the regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Morrison. The vote was Trustee Morrison yes, Chairman Spellman yes, Trustee Lewis abstained.

The next meeting will be on August 14, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

At 9:38 pm Trustee Morrison made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Chairman Spellman. All in favor.

Karen Grittie, Fiscal Officer

Chairman William Spellman

Trustee Curtis Morrison

Trustee Laura Lewis