

PARKMAN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting of February 3, 2009

The regular meeting of the Parkman Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were Trustees-Kevin O'Reilly and Lucinda Sharp-Gates, Fiscal Officer-Nancy Wheelock, Tom Evers, John Augustine, John Hasman, Wayne Komandt, Mike Komandt and Roger Hanna. Trustee, Patrick Joyce was not in attendance due to a work commitment. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Lucinda and seconded by Kevin to waive the reading of the January 20, 2009 regular meeting minutes and to approve the same. (Resolution No. 09-32) Motion carried unanimously.

Public Discussion

Roger Hanna commended Tom Evers on an outstanding job of snow removal on the Township roads during this winter season.

Roger Hanna presented an article from The Maple Leaf regarding a meeting between Burton Township and Suddenlink Communications. The article reported on the meeting scheduled at Burton Township for customers to air their complaints about the cable service. Mr. Hanna asked the Board if they would also consider hosting a meeting with Suddenlink for cable customers to express their dissatisfaction with the cable service. The Trustees advised that Suddenlink is the only cable provider in Parkman Township and the only other option would be to install Direct TV. Mr. Hanna explained that he can not use Direct TV due to the reception on his property. The Trustees will read the article and will discuss this issue at a later date.

Departmental Reports

- Fiscal Officer
 1. Ohio Department of Job and Family Services - In December, Parkman Township received a form from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services requesting separation information for Joseph D. Lengel. Joe has worked for Parkman Township for several years on a part time, as needed basis. Joe Lengel only works during the winter season and helps with snow removal, when needed, since he is laid off in the winter from his full time employment. Joe has not resigned from Parkman Township and he has not been laid off by Parkman Township. The Fiscal Officer completed the form stating Joseph Lengel is still employed with Parkman Township and returned it to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. Since the submission of the form, Parkman Township has received a Determination of Unemployment Compensation, a Notice of Benefits Paid and Charged to Employer, and a Reimbursing Employers Monthly bill which is due by February 15, 2009. The Board of Trustees is confused why the Township is responsible for unemployment benefits when Joe Lengel is presently on the payroll and asked the Fiscal Officer to contact the Geauga County Prosecuting Attorney's for advice. The Fiscal Officer sent an email to

Becky Schlag, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, on January 21st for assistance in this matter. To date, the Fiscal Officer has not received a response. Lucinda will place a call to the Prosecutor's office to check if the Township is required to pay the unemployment compensation benefits charged to Parkman Township.

- Zoning

1. Zoning Report – John Hasman was in attendance and updated the Trustees on pending zoning issues. John advised the Board that the conditional use permits for River Pines and Parkman Auto have been revoked due to owner name changes. The business owners must go before the Zoning Board of Appeals to be given a new conditional use permit. John has sent notification by certified mail to each business owner and will contact the Prosecutor's office for guidance to proceed with further action.

- Fire

1. Fire Truck Repairs – Fire Chief, Wayne Komandt reported on the cost for body repairs to the fire truck. A quote was received by Countryside Truck Service in the amount of \$2538.75 for the damage repairs. The Township's insurance provider has been contacted and will cover the cost minus the deductible. Lucinda moved, seconded by Kevin, to authorize Countryside Truck Service to repair the fire truck body and to pay the insurance deductible for this insurance claim. (Resolution No. 09-33) Motion carried.
2. Squad Body Repairs – Wayne advised the Trustees that the squad is in need of repairs due to body rust. Mike Komandt spoke to Lifeline and Pfund Equipment regarding the body rust problem and they have agreed to pay half of the cost. The warranty for the squad has expired, but Lifeline and Pfund Equipment agree after viewing the squad that the body rust must have started while the squad was still under warranty. The cost of the repairs will be approximately \$2200.00. Lifeline and Pfund have committed to pay \$1100.00. Lucinda made a motion, seconded by Kevin, to authorize the fire department to arrange for body repairs to the squad with the Township to contribute ½ of the repair cost in the amount of \$1100.00. (Resolution No. 09-34) Motion carried.

- Roads

1. Grader Repairs – Tom Evers advised the Trustees on the repairs needed to fix the grader. Tom reported that Tony from T & T Heavy Equipment Repair has examined the grader and estimates the repair parts to cost \$2350.00. Lucinda moved, seconded by Kevin, to authorize T & T Heavy Equipment Repair to repair the grader for the amount up to \$4000.00 including parts and labor. (Resolution No. 09-35) Motion carried.
2. Temperature Sensor – Tom requested authorization to purchase a road temperature sensor to carry in the truck during the winter months to monitor the road conditions. A motion was made by Lucinda and seconded by Kevin to approve the purchase of a road temperature sensor from The Dexter Company for \$515.00. (Resolution No. 09-36) Motion carried.

3. Part-time Road Department Position Termination – A discussion was held regarding part-time positions on the Parkman Township Road Department. Kevin made a motion, seconded by Lucinda, to terminate the part-time road department position currently held by Joseph Lengel due to the lack of need of this position. (Resolution No. 09-37) Motion carried. Kevin will write a letter to notify Mr. Lengel of this decision.

Old Business

- Tavern Road (Burton Road) Vacation – Kevin reported on the status of the vacation of Tavern Road (Burton Road). Tom and Kevin met with the Geauga County Engineer's office at the location to be vacated to view the area. The County Engineer's office will continue to work on this project to clean up the plot and will provide a resolution for the Board of Trustees to adopt to vacate the entire section of Burton Road.
- Route 422 Mail Delivery – Kevin gave a report on the mail box delivery issue on Route 422 per Patrick Joyce. Patrick spoke to the West Farmington Post Office regarding this dangerous situation of residents crossing the 5-lane highway in the Route 422 project area to pick-up their mail. Patrick has not received a positive response. Patrick is still seeking assistance from Congressman LaTourette regarding this matter.

New Business

- Chamber of Commerce Pancake Breakfast – Lucinda reported on the upcoming Chamber of Commerce Pancake Breakfast to be held in March at the Parkman Community House. Lucinda moved, seconded by Kevin, to authorize the use of the Community House for the Parkman Chamber of Commerce Pancake Breakfast in March. (Resolution No. 09-38) Motion carried.

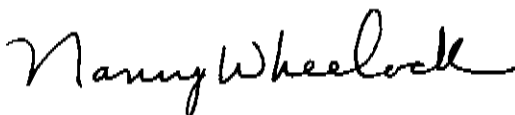
Approval of Bills and Wages

A motion was made by Lucinda and seconded by Kevin to pay the wages and bills from warrant #16308 through warrant #16339. (Resolution No. 09-39) Motion carried.

Adjournment

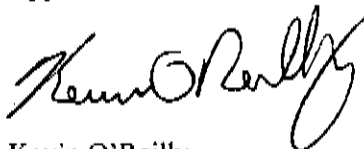
A motion was made by Lucinda and seconded by Kevin to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. (Resolution No. 09-40) Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy Wheelock
Fiscal Officer

Approved,



Kevin O'Reilly
Chair