

Township office and amend that to \$3,000.00 from \$5,000.00. This is to assist Ms. Painter with the BZA hearing to be held on July 19. Reed seconded.

Roll call: Ayes: Lewis, Reed & Miller. Motion passed, Resolution #2011-118

Miller moved the Xenia Township Trustees retire to “Executive Session” to consider personnel matters. This is an exception to the Open Meeting Act as permitted by the ORC 121.22 (G) #1. Today’s date and time is July 14, 2011, 7:50 p.m. Reed seconded. Those invited to attend included Trustees Scott Miller, Jim Reed and Amy Lewis, Fiscal Officer John Faulkner and Stephanie Hayden.

Roll call: Ayes: Lewis, Reed & Miller.

Miller moved the Xenia Township Trustees return to an open and public meeting. Today’s date and time is July 14, 2011, 8:46 p.m. Reed seconded.

Roll call: Ayes: Lewis, Reed & Miller.

FISCAL OFFICER/FINANCE:

Reed moved to approve the bills and payroll for the current period. Vendor checks and payroll totaled \$45,412.74.

Lewis seconded the motion.

Roll call: Ayes: Lewis, Reed & Miller. Motion passed, Resolution #2011-116

Lewis moved to approve the 2010 Budget. Miller seconded the motion.

Roll call: Ayes: Lewis, Reed & Miller. Motion passed, Resolution #2011-117

Discussion about checking with other banks in town about better returns. Greene County Treasurer Gould will bring people from several banks to meet with the Township.

Faulkner received the bill from the Bureau of Workers’ Compensation for the audit performed in June. The invoice is \$8,998.31, based on the tax year 2010. The single issue was where firefighters are responding from—if from the station, the rate is .0326 per dollar and if responding from somewhere else it is .24 cents. He has had some discussion about this with Chief Meyers and Jeff Devoe.

This concluded Fiscal Officer Faulkner’s report.

ROAD DEPARTMENT:

Road/Public Works Superintendent David Shuey gave this report.

Road Levy—August 10 is the deadline to get a levy on the ballot for November. A request was made to David Graham, Greene County Auditor, about what a 1 mil levy would generate. His estimation of a new 1 mil levy is it would generate \$140,000 per year. Right now we get .9 mil (\$34,000). A replacement levy could be done. There is a need to make it clear in the promotional literature of what the tax will cost the taxpayers. When doing the budget we could estimate what was needed annually to maintain the roads by dividing the total road miles over 15 years which would be \$200,000+. Shuey added he could really use another \$100,000 to keep things status quo. Miller said there is a need to make the Road Department self-sustaining so they are not relying on general fund—that way the general fund can support projects that benefit the entire township. The paving program, salt program and capital purchases over a period of time need to be addressed. Faulkner pointed out there will be cuts to local government that will have an effect on us. The Fire Department picks up 20% of Franz Seiter’s wages as the mechanic for their equipment. There was discussion of ways to make cuts. This will be a discussion item at the next work session and action item at the next Trustees’ meeting.

There was an e-mail received this week about Tiger II funding. Last year we submitted our U.S. 42 project in the Wilberforce area and the upgrades to Bickett. Faulkner said in being a part of MVRPC he has seen shovel ready projects that now have no funding to finish. Two examples in Greene County: 1) The bore under U.S. 35 for the bike path and 2) The pedestrian bridge over I-675 from Wright State University to the Fairfield Commons Mall area. This gives uncertainty about available funding. Shuey will go ahead with applying for the grant.

This concluded Superintendent Shuey’s report.

ZONING DEPARTMENT:

Zoning Administrator and Inspector Rhonda Painter gave this report.

The following permits were issued since June 23:

- 1. 736 Jacoby Rd., Paul Sampson, deck
- 2. 1885 Winchester Rd., Kevin Moe, deck
- 3. 1246 Hook Rd., Matt Manning, inground pool

Board of Zoning Appeals

- July 19, 7:30 p.m., Public Hearing 1423 U.S. 42 S., request for Conditional Use in Ag district to operate recreational facility—cheerleading in Spring Valley Garden building.
- July 19, 7:30 p.m., Public Hearing 116 Dayton Xenia Road, request for Administrative Appeal from Xenia Township Zoning Inspector’s decision.

Zoning Commission

- July 26, 6:00 p.m., Request for rezoning A to M-3 by Cemex, Norman Ward enter Ballroom, Central State University, 1400 Brush Row Rd., Wilberforce.

Zoning Seminar, June 24, Painter could not attend, Charles Bingamon attended. He said it was a very good seminar even though it was a long way to travel. There are not many good zoning seminars around this area.

This concluded the report and action items of the zoning department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Captain Dean Fox gave this report.

PO request to Vogelpohl Fire Equipment for self-contained breathing apparatus for \$174,633. It does not include the compressor. This is a bid that was won by Cincinnati Fire and the ORC allows us to be a part of that bid. Chief Meyers contacted Cincinnati Fire and received authorization that we could be part of that bid. The vendor is willing to do that to. That is how the Fire Department got a good deal on this apparatus.

Miller moved to approve the PO to Vogelpohl Fire Equipment. Lewis seconded the motion.

Roll call: Ayes: Lewis, Reed & Miller. Motion passed, Resolution #2011-119

Captain Fox thanked David Shuey for taking care of trees that were down during the night of the storm.

This concluded the Fire Department’s report.

TRUSTEES’ OLD / UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mailboxes in Old Town: Reed said the consensus of the property owners along the west side of US 68 is they want to see mailboxes at their addresses on their side of the road. The Hawkins did like the idea set forth in the letter. Reed was not able to meet with all the property owners. There are a lot of elderly residents in this area. They don’t seem to want the cluster mailboxes. He was able to talk to over a dozen people. Faulkner said the first priority was to aid in the safety of the intersection at Brush Row Rd. and US 68, secondary was the clustered mailboxes. Miller said at this point we don’t have enough people wanting this type of mailbox. We can have additional discussion with the Post Office and residents and see where it goes.

Adopt-a-Spot on Township roads: Stephanie Hayden has not had a chance to work on this, regarding the liability.

TRUSTEES' NEW BUSINESS:

Faulkner talked to County Treasurer Gould about taxes on the two Coleman lots—one is \$136.00 and the other one is \$100.00. These were supposed to be tax exempt lots—Treasurer Gould will look into this and get back to us with an answer.

Miller said at the last public hearing Reed brought up wanting a contract with Tim Spradlin. Reed negotiated it for \$1.00 a year. He feels Spradlin can fill in gaps because he served as the only Township administrator Xenia Township has ever had. Miller asked what is expected out of this. Reed felt when he has questions on certain things it gives him an avenue where he can go to Spradlin and glean from his knowledge. He can see another perspective that way. Miller suggested using the staff he has and asking them. Reed felt he was being misled about SCBAs and was told it was mandated by the State. The Fire Department then said it was a standard. Discussion about getting questions answered. Miller asked how long the SCBA project has been considered by the staff—Fox answered around 6 months. Fox said 6-8 people have put time and effort into the project. Reed said, because of having no fire service, if he goes to the people within the department, those individuals have a vested interest because they are the people who are using the equipment. If he gets advice from outside the department, he doesn't waste people's time, comes in informed and ready to take action. Miller made a point that there is a staff and employees who could be utilized more. Faulkner brought up a legal opinion addressed to Reed which gives specific instructions from the prosecutor about that. Lewis asked what would be the harm in Tim Spradlin being involved in a volunteer basis for consultation purposes so there is no contractual issue coming up. Spradlin shared he wants integrity and honesty here. Miller agrees that it is everyone's intent; however it behooves a Township Trustee to utilize the staff he has and believes that is not being done. Reed said essentially it is a technicality because he can call Spradlin and get advice anytime. He wanted to make it known that Spradlin is willing to make that effort. Lewis asked if there was anything to prohibit them from talking to Spradlin to find out further information about the workings of the fire department or equipment. Tim Spradlin commented he has watched things go on for the last 3 years which have made him sick, and he does not put much stock in what is done here at the present time. He would be happy to help any way he can. Reed said he is hiring Spradlin as a consultant. Faulkner said there is a legal opinion that he is going against in doing so. Reed said to appease Faulkner's objection, he will pose the question to Stephanie Hayden to make sure there are no violations—even though there were blatant outright violations that went on here for years and we finally got them addressed. He would not want any ethics violations, even though it was ongoing for years. He will abide by the law when everyone else that was involved would not.

Faulkner has a US 35 Project support letter for the Greene 35 4.26/US 35 reconstruction, addressed to Joe Vogel, ODOT 8. A copy of the letter is attached to these minutes. Miller made a motion to adopt the letter. Lewis seconded the motion.

Roll call: Ayes: Lewis, Miller. Nay: Reed Motion passed, Resolution #2011-120

UPCOMING MEETING & EVENT DATES:

- July 20, Wednesday, 4:00 p.m. Work Session
- July 27, Wednesday, Noon Wastewater Meeting
- July 28, Thursday, 4:00 p.m. Board of Trustees' Meeting
- July 31, Sunday, Noon Fairground Dedication Ceremony (Lewis will attend)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Miami Valley Regional Planning Committee: No meeting since last Trustees' mtg.
- MVRPC – Technical Advisory Committee: No meeting since last Trustees' mtg.
- Greene Co. Planning Coordinating Com. No report.
- District Advisory Council , Health Dept. No report.
- Water & Wastewater Advisory Com Meeting moved to 7/27/2011 @ Noon.
- Sourcewater Next meeting later in year.
- XEGC Board mtg. Tuesday—XEGC expected to be absorbed by City of Xenia as a department 1/1/2012.
- County Managers and Officials: No report.
- Safety Council Next meeting 8/3/2011.

CORRESPONDENCE:

ADJOURNMENT:

Having completed all of the regular business, Amy Lewis moved to adjourn @ 9:54 p.m. Jim Reed seconded the motion and all Trustees voted aye. Meeting adjourned.

Adopted: _____

Scott Miller, Chairman

Jim Reed

ATTEST:

Amy Lewis

John D. Faulkner, Fiscal Officer