

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

**MINUTES OF THE
XENIA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES:**

**WORK SESSION
AUGUST 7, 2014**

5:00 P.M.

NOTE: These minutes are a summary of the discussion and are not a word for word account of the discussions. The proceedings were electronically recorded. The meeting place was the Xenia Township Office, 8 Brush Row Road, Xenia, Ohio.

PRESENT: Scott Miller, Chairman; Amy Lewis, Trustee; Susan Spradlin, Trustee; Barbara Miller, Fiscal Officer; Alan Stock, Administrator.

Chairman Scott Miller called the work session to order at 5:00 pm. This was a work session advertised on the Xenia Township website within 24 hours of scheduling the meeting.

GUESTS:

Bill Minch spoke about having a contract to purchase 580 Union Road but has not been able to move forward due to the encroachment issue. His intention is to purchase the property and take care of the problems. The Trustees are waiting on the appraisal which is due by August 18. They will talk about this at the next Trustees' meeting in Executive Session and hope to have an answer for him after that time.

Frank Harmon spoke about changes in the insurance plan. They have seen a lot of changes with the passage of the Affordable Care Act. For many years the Ohio Public Entity Consortium has enjoyed a very good level of benefits. They have done some things to help control costs with some funding programs. He said the benefits are a big portion of everyone's compensation. New taxes and fees were implemented by the Federal government on January 1, 2014—such as the re-insurance fee of \$5.25 per person per plan per month and a 2.4% market share tax. Last August they started looking for a way to ease the uncertainty and costs. They found some of the self-funded plans save money and are exempt from State of Ohio premium tax and the market share tax. There are about 3,000 in the Ohio Public Entity Consortium. With a group that size they could go self-funded. They formed a cooperative with a common renewal date of January 1, 2016. Mr. Harmon handed out a brochure showing the plan provided by Jefferson. With no further questions for Frank Harmon, he left at this time. Mrs. Lewis asked if it was allowable to reimburse and if it is taxable. Mr. Stock will check with Heidi Fought for a second opinion. Also Mr. Miller asked Mr. Stock to get a quote for \$8,000 deductible. At this time the savings in pricing is minimal, however the savings will compound in the long-term. Xenia Township can stay with Anthem which is not a self-funded program and will have taxes and fees higher by 9%. The decision of plan needs to be made in August.

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR:

Fire levy paperwork was turned in by Mrs. Miller to the Board of Elections. Resolution of Intent and Resolution of Necessity are the two resolutions usually turned in. Only the Resolution of Necessity was done at a prior meeting. The Trustees will decide whether to do the Resolution of Intent as Mrs. Miller was told all necessary paperwork was turned in.

A new Chamber of Commerce Community Profile Book is scheduled for printing. Xenia Township had an ad in the last book and the Trustees will decide whether to advertise in the new book. The cost is around \$600. We were given a public entity discount. If it is decided to advertise in the book, the Trustees would like to add more info—such the Township has bike paths through it; the Township has two fire stations; the Township is a zoned community; the Township provides complete road services and some of the Township history.

Mr. Stock provided quotes from IT providers. One company would take care of everything and would not let allow us to do anything. Another company would charge less and would allow us to do some of the changes. The prices seemed to range from \$85 to \$125 per hour. Mr. Stock plans to meet next week with an individual who does IT work. All who he spoke to said the Township has the bare minimum to run

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what we need. Our back-up problems stemmed from a small business server needing another piece of equipment or software to do back-ups. The County does their IT internally. Beaver Creek Township and Sugar Creek Township have their own IT people. The Trustees suggested asking other townships or villages in Greene County about their IT service and to ask them if they are interested in sharing IT services.

Xenia Township will be hosting the Greene County Township Association dinner in October. There was discussion about the location as it would be nice to promote a business in the Township. Kil-kare could provide a place but it does not have heat in the building they would let us use. Greene County Fish and Game and Greene County Skydivers were mentioned as possible choices.

Mr. Stock said, as a matter of information, the Greene County Board of Commissioners is also looking at electrical aggregation.

The first "Township Tuesdays" is coming up next month with a CPR class. The class in October will be Car Seat Safety and Installation—a flyer has already been made.

After one of the Township cell phones died, David Shuey talked to three different people at AT&T and finally received 25% off of the bill because of being a government institution. He also received three new phones for the Road Department. This is not a new contract—it is an amendment.

Kettering Hospital gave a 60-day notice about discontinuing the Employee Assistance Program (EAP). Mr. Stock spoke to IMPACT today and will be talking to Miami Valley and South Community before the next meeting. He will ask Frank Harmon about the EAP provided with the insurance he spoke about.

ZONING DEPT:

A New York style deli plans to go in next to Speedway in Wilberforce.

ROAD DEPARTMENT:

An OPWC Application was turned in by David Shuey requesting grant money for Washington Road. It looks very promising that the Township could receive the grant. The Greene County Engineer gave the Township bonus points to bump up the project. This would allow the Township to completely re-build Washington Road.

All of Krepps Road is split down the middle with Spring Valley Township owning half and Xenia Township owning the other half. Years ago Spring Valley Township and Xenia Township came to an agreement about maintaining Krepps Road. Each township takes care of an end of the road. Spring Valley Township is in the process of putting chip seal protector on their end and asked if Xenia Township would do their end to give the road uniformity. The chip seal would run from Richland Road to SR 380.

Estimates were provided from two electricians (Bill's and J&J) for trenching to replace a power line that had two breaks. It has a temporary patch at this time. Mr. Miller said this could be the time to lay the groundwork for an electrical informational sign in the front yard. He would like to see it bored under the ground and get the conduit in place.

David Shuey would like to try to extend the life of the '74 dump truck by 4-6 years by sandblasting the bed and using epoxy paint on the bed. This would cost \$3,695.

ADJOURNMENT:

As it was time for the regular Trustees' meeting a motion was made by Mr. Miller to adjourn the Work Session, seconded by Mrs. Lewis. Roll Call vote: All voted Aye. Work Session adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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Xenia Township Board of Trustees

Date Approved: _____

Resolution # _____

Attest:

Barbara Miller, Fiscal Officer

Scott Miller, Chair

Amy Lewis

Susan Spradlin