

the regular session of the Washington Township Trustees

at the Township Hall, Lewistown, Monday, 6:30 PM July 7, 2008

The Washington Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, July 7, 2008 at 6:30 PM at the township hall with Trustees John Stemble, Rick Beck, and Jim Hurley present. Others present: Howard Gantt, Reno Cameruca, Police Chief Rick Core, Sue Shirey, Louise Pollock, Mike Yoder and Don Moore.

The meeting was opened by Chairman, John Stemble with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Fiscal Officer, Lisa Miller read the roll call.

Trustee Beck made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes and accept them as written. Trustee Hurley seconded the motion. All answered "Aye" – motion passed.

The clerk presented and Trustee Hurley made a motion to pay the following bills:

<u>Check Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Vendor</u>
3293	789.15	Rick Beck
3294	1540.82	Randy Beck
3295	1046.27	Reno Cameruca
3296	1059.63	Rick Core
3297	1200.14	Jason Faulder
3298	1812.66	Howard Gantt
3299	26.56	Roger Hough
3300	726.90	Jim Hurley
3301	26.56	Keith Klauer
3302	908.37	Lisa Miller
3303	309.71	Don Moore
3304	1417.54	Dave Newland
3305	360.29	Theresa Newland
3306	1227.64	Adam Niederkohr
3307	26.56	Curtis Nielsen
3308	26.36	Joseph Opel
3309	795.83	John Stemble
3310	26.36	Steve Strauser
3311	1207.64	Charles Wirick
3312	2217.12	Internal Revenue Service
3313	416.22	Treasurer of State of Ohio
3314	4514.81	OPERS
3315	215.75	Associated Police & Fire Equipt.
3316	214.00	Randy Beck
3317	165.07	Terry Beck
3318	28.67	Bellefontaine Examiner
3319	388.00	Champaign Landmark Inc.
3320	485.00	Charlie Williams
3321	45.00	LeVan's Service Center
3322	1450.82	Dayton Power & Light
3323	124.56	Duff Quarry, Inc.
3324	228.44	Galls Inc.
3325	398.00	Grand Rental Station
3326	100.00	Hollanshead Ins Agency
3327	-0-	Void
3328	10.00	Huntington National Bank
3329	96.00	Hurley Farms
3330	37.00	Indian Lake Shopper's Edge
3331	24.39	Lakeview Hardware Co., Inc.
3332	1550.00	Lawn's Plus
3333	26.48	Levan's Power Equipment
3334	407.58	Lowe's Business Account
3335	169.55	Nextel Communications
3336	176.50	Nextel Communications
3337	950.00	Ohio Peace Officers Training
3338	1925.00	Quality Paving
3339	80.77	Sam's Club
3340	161.44	Pamela Stemble
3341	95.90	Taser International
3342	7.90	Tom's Lock & Key
3343	15.98	Troyer Engine Shop
3344	795.00	Treasurer of State
3345	3521.24	Village Pantry (Gas for Cruisers)
3346	870.00	Wren's Auto Parts

Trustee Beck seconded the motion and all answered "Aye" - motion carried.

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The clerk also presented the Trustees for the period of 06/01/2008 – 06/30/2008 a Fund Status Report, Receipt Register, Appropriation Status, Revenue Status, and Bank Reconciliation for their review and signature. Trustee Beck made a motion to approve the financial reports. Trustee Hurley seconded the motion and all answered “Aye” - motion carried.

CLERK BUSINESS – Lisa Miller

- The clerk presented to trustees mail received during the month of June, 2008:
 - ☑ Certificate of Deposit renewals at Huntington Bank from 8/1/08-8/1/09. Motion was made by Trustee Beck to renew the CD's and seconded by Trustee Hurley. All answered “Aye” and the motion was passed 3-0 to renew the CD's.
 - ☑ Copy of the Logan County Board of Health minutes from their regular meeting
 - ☑ Invitation to attend the annual D.R.E.D.G.E. picnic on September 12, 2008 at Moundwood
 - ☑ Logan County Township Association 3rd Quarterly Meeting will be held on July 17, 2008 at the Ohio Caverns at 6:30 PM
 - ☑ Logan County Recycling Center / Moundwood – brochure made available to public
 - ☑ HARM (Hard to Recycle Materials) Collection Service – brochure made available to public
 - ☑ Mailed copy of 2008 Annual Meeting of the Engineer with Township Trustees set for Wednesday, August 6, 2008 from 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Chief Core

- Educating public where the tax dollars go - ours is a renewal; not a new levy. As Logan County Auditor, Mike Yoder, has accurately stated, no additional monies collected. Property valued at \$50,000 would be taxed \$33.00/year for the average homeowner – or another way to look at it is \$56,000 per year for five years. That's our education process. We've been interacting with public and doing foot patrols. Those are our efforts.
- I need to get Lisa some photos and text information.
- Past weekend was a nightmare (Fourth of July) - thank goodness we are equipped the way we are. Everyone out in four cars and we were backed up the whole night with the radio. Two code fours - accident with injury, fight at Marathon, Dave's bouncing off the wall. We had a game plan well constructed and well communicated. Had to be at intersections for when the fireworks let out. According to ODT at those stop signs if we leave our post - we have to break it down and once we started running out of people. Dave & Adam floating - but they got tied up on code four. Then we had the women get hit by the car on 366. Then that takes a lot of people because you set up a landing zone - etc.. Rick got home after 3:00 AM - everyone was out. That was the busiest Fourth of July we have had in years.
- Reports - 181 calls for service in June; detailed normally. One fatality accident. 639 calls first quarter of the year. Accumulated Jan-June 1,018 calls for service to Washington Twp PD - calls just to us.
- We handle more calls for RP than RP PD does. Trustee Hurley: don't they have four officers and four cars? Chief Core: Tuesday night I made four calls in RP. That's information the public needs to know.
- Court report showing revenue we collected. We don't look at our interaction as a revenue source. We try to be a mediating presence - statistically we write 1/3 of the people we stop. Depends on multiple tickets, insurance, etc.. You will get a warning. If you are driving unsafe you will get a ticket.
- Chief Core shared with the trustees a report showing what people were charged for.
- Just had Clickit or Tickit campaign. You don't give out warnings (according to State of Ohio) - we have a seat belt law in Ohio - we are targeting offenders. We don't write everyone we stop - we do give warnings.
- Detail straight from Sheriff's Dept printer - breaks down the address, date/time, case# going along with the 181 calls per month.

Trustee Stemble: Larry Mitchell had a break-in at the trailer on 213 maybe 5-6 wks ago. He hasn't had a follow-up call yet. He called Sheriff's office and they didn't satisfy him any. Trustee Beck: I think he is wondering what the status of the case is. Between 213 and 33 - Wayne used to live there in that trailer. Someone else took the case - one of our guys but not Rick; if you could do a follow up on it, that would be great. Chief Core: Yes - I will follow up on that for you with Larry.

ROAD DEPT - Howard Gantt

- Paving project in Five Parks completed; Randy and Howard looked at it. Manholes are below or level with it. They did go ahead and berm it as needed - looked good.
- Parking lot sealed and re-stripped.
- Grass seed and straw on 94 is completed. We may have to go back and touch up.
- Grass seed and straw at Plum Cemetery.

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ROAD DEPARTMENT – Cont’d.

- Drainage problem in Lewistown - four catch basins behind Lewistown Church. Last big rain we had the catch basin at 91 and Hanford was 3 ft over the top and west of it. Howard went to the county - Butch Banning came out. It is a county tile but their thinking is that we are running our water into their tile. **Trustee Beck:** this is coming from Scott Coleman **Howard:** we kicked things around a little bit. We talked about replacing a whole section of tile. I prefer we replace the tile if possible. Butch went back and talked to Coleman - county would replace the tile on 91 if the twp would pay for the tile. **Trustee Beck:** I don't know about that. **Trustee Hurley:** how much is the tile? **Trustee Beck:** 440' in length at 8" would be \$351 if 10" \$467. That's double wall (because of the depth).

MOTION – Trustee Beck made a motion that if that is the cost we purchase the tile (it would have to be determined if it was 8" or 10"). **Trustee Hurley:** seconded the motion. All answered "Aye" and the motion was passed 3-0.

- Started mowing today 213 and 214 - one pass. Road Dept. will continue that until something else comes up.
- Randy put up a new security light out back so it floods that whole area back there.
- **Trustee Hurley:** holes in bridge on 213 **Howard:** they are still there. We told Butch and he mentioned coming back this week. **Trustee Beck:** we told Butch to tell Coleman that's a county ditch - we would go half on the ditch. They will just put a road block up there so no one can go through there at all.

Zoning Department - Reno Cameruca

- 18 calls this last month – June 2008
- Talked to Mike Bow about that deal on the homes back there; what they will do and not do. Homes back on Midway Road (239). **Trustee Hurley:** I am saying we do not sign any permits until we see a signed statement from LUC (Jenny Snapp) saying they have approved. **Trustee Beck:** I want water/soil, EPA, Russells Point, and LUC to sit down with us and discuss, along with Jerry Heaton. **Reno:** John, when we went down they said they had approval from everyone except from RP and Lakeview. **Trustee Stemple:** Jenny had not given them anything from LUC. **Trustee Beck:** deny anything that Mike Bow is requesting - don't even accept the check. **Trustee Hurley:** they can document that they asked for a variance - you didn't respond. **Trustee Stemple:** I am asking that the check be returned to Mike Bow - we are not accepting any requests for this variance until we have signed documents from all entities involved. **Trustee Beck:** you can tell him the trustees have asked you to return the check. **Trustee Hurley:** we do not want them to perceive in any way that we are entertaining the thought of approving any kind of variance request for this project.
- Boats are classified as a vehicle because they transport you from point A to point B. **Trustee Beck:** dry docked - same? Are we talking about Goslee? **Reno:** Yes, we do have the right to pull the boat - maybe he will mow the grass. Anyhow, I felt it would be a tool for us to use. **Trustee Beck:** why can't we mow it again. Send a letter, mow it and bill him? **Reno:** I don't care - we can send the letters out - I mailed them 3-4 weeks ago. **Trustee Beck:** Mow it then if he refused the letter. We need to get all mowings notified (Sycamore and the boat property) - and completed. **Lisa:** I have to have all requests for tax billing purposes on properties we mowed to Mike Yoder by September 4th. That means owner has to be duly notified, mowing completed, and resolution made by the trustees to allow the fiscal officer to submit to the county auditor – she will need parcel #'s and the dates it was mowed.

LUC Board - Rick Beck

- Minutes from the last meeting held at LUC were shared with all in attendance.

EMS Board - Jim Hurley

- Minutes and financial reports were shared with all in attendance.
- There were 87 runs in May.
- Made a decision to purchase an additional ambulance so at end of summer there will be two new ambulances.
- They are entertaining the motion of purchasing the old antique store to store the three ambulances.

IL Fire Board - John Stemple

- Next meeting is 7/15/08.
- Brought minutes from the last meeting held.

Public Comments:

- **Mike Yoder, Logan County Auditor - Police Dept. Levy.**
Resolution 2008-003 Asking the County Auditor to Prepare a Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue

Whereas a resolution is necessary asking the county auditor to prepare certificate of estimated property tax revenue to be generated for renewal in amount of 1 mil for purpose of police protection to be placed on the primary ballot Nov 4, 2008 and to be collected beginning 2009 which is calendar year 2010. Resolved by Township of Washington that the Logan County Auditor is hereby requested to present said certificate at his earliest convenience.

Trustee Beck made the motion to **approve** the resolution. Trustee Hurley seconded the motion. A vote was taken and all trustees answered "Aye" therefore, Resolution 2008-003 is **approved**.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS: - Cont'd

Mike Yoder -

Based on that vote – a certified copy of said resolution plus the copy of Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue will need to be taken by the clerk to the Board of Elections along with a resolution requesting the renewal levy be placed on the ballot. This is a RENEWAL levy and so the estimated property tax revenue is the same throughout the life of the levy as was the current levy - \$56,000.00 total in subdivision (this does **exclude** Russells Point who do not vote on this levy).

Mike then answered questions regarding tax valuations and county health dept. - who decides what programs are kept and which are done away with. The Budget Commission decides x-amount will be given to the health dept. and how much will be collected from the cities/twp/villages. They will probably keep the state mandated and that's it according to Mike.

Sue Shirey - Live on Williams St where the dead end goes into twp property. "I am having a problem with my neighbor. There are seven kids and she asked them to stay out of her yard; they are always in my yard. Lately, beside the road there are big decorative rocks - they have been throwing them in her yard and continue to trespass. I put up a rope to stop people from dumping trash back there. This piece of property I would like to put a fence up except I don't know where the property line is. **Trustee Beck:** we do - we just had it surveyed; it is clearly marked. Reno is the guy you need to see about the fence. **Sue:** I put up a 6' fence and after Reno checked it someone called Reno to complain. Now I'm getting ready to put a shed on my property but I've been told if it's on skids, I don't need a permit. But, I have a permit and it should be here this week - you'll probably get another call. I have moved that shed out of the woods but I'm not sure where my property is. If I even go out in the yard - just to prune my trees his kids are smart mouthing me - I can't enjoy my property".

Louise Pollock - we get permits to do things legal and then people call and turn us in. It's like we see them do it, but they don't get caught. We do it right, and get called in. She has mowed and taken care of that woods for four years. We can file a suit according to our attorney if the harassment continues.

Trustee Beck: there will be times that things sneak in - we can't catch it all. If we don't find out there's nothing we can do. The fence post and rope should come down. John, can you and Reno meet me tomorrow morning **Trustee Stemple:** 8:00 AM works for me - we'll meet up there as Sue will be home - she's on vacation this week. All agreed to meet tomorrow morning. **Trustee Beck:** we can't answer all of your questions - if it's domestic or trespassing - you will need to go to Chief Core. If it's zoning - you need to go to Reno. As trustees - we can't answer all questions. Some complaints that you brought up here tonight may have to go through the court system. **Chief Core:** This has escalated to the point where I think both sides are pushing the limits. I know that the amount of times we have been there on the same issues it is way beyond ridiculous. What would be really nice would be if we could meet in a neutral place (twp bldg) all of us to establish some common ground between the two of you.

TRUSTEE BUSINESS:

Trustee Hurley: Township magazine - newest resolution on junk ordinances. Step by Step on how to phrase it.

Trustee Beck: Mentioned attending some of the publicly held conferences.

Trustee Hurley: Asked if there was any word on the dump truck? They were supposed to call us about that console.

Trustee Beck: I will call them tomorrow. We got busy on 94.

With no further business to come before the group Trustee Beck made a motion to adjourn at 8:14 PM. Trustee Stemple seconded. All answered "Aye". Motion carried. The next board meeting is scheduled for **Monday, August 11, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.** at the township hall.

Lisa A. Miller, Fiscal Officer

John Stemple, Chairperson

Rick Beck, Vice Chairperson

Jim Hurley, Member