Middleton Township Trustees

Wednesday, December 5, 2018 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Vetter called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken. Trustees Bostdorff, Getz and Vetter and Fiscal Officer Limes were in attendance. The sign-in sheet for employees and visitors is attached with the approved minutes. Noted on the sign-in sheet is a statement indicating the meeting may be recorded or streamed live to the internet by a visitor - not at the authority of the township trustees.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT

- Mrs. Getz moved, Mr. Bostdorff seconded a motion to approve the November 21, 2018 meeting minutes as provided. Motion approved.
- Mrs. Getz moved, Mr. Bostdorff seconded approval of accounts and payroll as submitted. Motion approved. A payment register is attached to the approved minutes.

VISITOR COMMENTS

- Mary Clayton, Five Point Road resident, addressed the Trustees with regard to drainage concerns on her property. Ms. Clayton reviewed the steps taken over a number of months to remedy the situation and indicated her frustration in the fact that water continues to ‘stand’ on her property. She indicated she hired a structural engineer to assess her home, as she has cracks in her basement and foundation. It was determined by the engineer the cracks were due as a direct result of the water. She questioned why a company had not returned to try and jet and remedy the potential plug in the drain lines. She did note a riser had been placed on top of the cleanout. Mr. Vetter indicated there was a plan to have a company back to the property on Friday (December 7). Continued discussion revolved around the immediate need for a solution to the drainage. Various ideas were suggested with regard to new drainage. The Trustees noted that depending on what was found during the jetting, OOPS may need to be contacted which could delay continued work. In addition, the Trustees indicated they would contact the County Engineers’ office to consult on what the process would be if drain tile needed to be replaced. Ms. Clayton emphasized her request for a solution and deemed it critical the township move efficiently to expedite a solution.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- Chief Steve Asmus provided the November run report.
- A fire fighter memorial service will be held on Sunday, December 9 at Dunn Funeral Home for retired fire fighter Bruce Wilson. Mr. Wilson served on the township department for over 20 years.
- The department is applying for the State Fire Marshall’s grant to cover the township’s user fees for the MARCS radios.
- The repeaters on order for the township emergency services vehicles are on ‘hold.’ Frequencies are needing to be adjusted.
- The battery on the pumper truck is working intermittent.

EMS DEPARTMENT

- Chief Matt Bechstein was unable to attend the meeting.
- Mr. Vetter clarified the new ambulance was built on the wrong chassis. Chief Bechstein learned of the error during a review of the vehicle at Burgess Ambulance. An update on the order will be provided at the December 19 meeting.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Bostdorff seconded a motion to approve the purchase of pallet forks at a cost of $775 from Wood County Implement. Motion approved.

Mrs. Getz moved, Mr. Bostdorff seconded adjournment of the meeting at 8:30 pm. Motion approved.

Fred E. Vetter, Chairman

Penelope S. Getz, Vice Chairman

James F. Bostdorff, Trustee

Laurie L. Limes, Fiscal Officer