

GERMAN TOWNSHIP

Montgomery County

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GERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 12, 2016

The REGULAR MEETING was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Board President Benjamin DeGroat at 7:01 p.m. The meeting was held at the German Township hall located at 12102 St. Rt. 725 West, Germantown, OH 45327. Attendees included:

Trustee Benjamin DeGroat	Trustee Jacob Stubbs	Trustee Mark Cross
Fiscal Officer Mark Keener	Police Chief Joseph Andzik	Road Supt. Jeremy Holbrook

VISITORS:

Name	Address	Name	Address
Lloyd Johnson	7404 Browns Run Rd	David Gehron	14239 Kiefer Rd
Lynn Cleveland	11858 Oxford Rd.	Ben Mersch	Germantown Press

VISITOR COMMENTS:

- Following the Road Department report, Mr. Gehron asked about staff reductions in the Road Department. Mr. Holbrook confirmed that a Road Department employee had been laid off due to budgetary constraints.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:

- Correspondence In:
 - OTA – December “Grassroot Clippings”
 - Municipality of Germantown – Minutes from November Council Meetings
 - Letter from Mont. Co. Engineer’s office confirming receipts of request for Partnership Pool reimbursement. (Money not yet received)
- Correspondence Out:
 - Germantown Press – Meeting Reminders
 - Monthly – IRS, State, School, OPERS reports and Payments
 - Check to “Ross Auto Group” for Road Dept’s new truck
- Distribute Financial Reports – 2016 YTD Cash Summary by Fund, Fund Status and Monthly Payment Reports
 - MOTION to approve the financial reports and authorize the payments of the bills, checks 48183 to 48199, including payroll direct deposit and payroll tax/withholding EFT’s was introduced by Benjamin DeGroat and seconded by Jacob Stubbs. After discussion – MOTION PASSED

4. A MOTION to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2016 REGULAR meeting as corrected was introduced by Mark Cross and seconded by Benjamin DeGroat. After discussion - MOTION PASSED.
5. Mr. Keener requested RESOLUTION 2016-51 – A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE COUNTRY ADVANCE ALL AVAILABLE FUNDS TO THE TOWNSHIP DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2017. The RESOLUTION was introduced by Benjamin DeGroat and seconded by Jacob Stubbs. After discussion, the roll was called and the vote was as follows: Mr. DeGroat – YES, Mr. Stubbs – YES, Mr. Cross – YES. RESOLUTION 2016-51 PASSED
6. Mr. Keener requested that the Board schedule a SPECIAL MEETING for December 28, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to pass a resolution to approved the supplemental appropriations that took place during 2016. The Trustees approved scheduling the meeting.
7. Mr. Keener led the discussion to schedule the annual Organizational Meeting. After discussion, the meeting was scheduled for January 2, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. (The meeting was subsequently rescheduled to January 6, 2017 at 3:30 p.m.)
8. Mr. Keener reminded the Board of the following “dates to remember”:
 - Next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting – January 9, 2017
 - Ohio Township Association Winter Conference in Columbus – January 25-28, 2017
9. Mr. Keener reminded the Board to sign the Purchase Orders and Bank Reconciliation.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Andzik reported the following:

- “Santa in the Country” was attended by 89 children this year (up from approximately 73 last year).
- The Police Department has turned in their certification paperwork to the Ohio Collaborative. They are awaiting response.

Chief Andzik recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the hiring of Reserve Police Officer E.A. Hammond to the position of Full Time Police Officer, effective January 01, 2017, at the current starting rate, with benefits and subject to a 6 month probationary period. Accordingly, Mark Cross introduced RESOLUTION 2016-52 – A RESOLUTION TO HIRE EDWARD A. HAMMOND TO THE POSITION OF FULL TIME POLICE OFFICER EFFECTIVE 1 JANUARY 2017, TO SERVE A NINE MONTH PROBATIONARY PERIOD. Benjamin DeGroat seconded the RESOLUTION. After discussion, the roll was called and the adoption vote was as follows: Mr. Degroat – YES, Mr. Stubbs – YES, Mr. Cross – YES. RESOLUTION 2016-52 PASSED.

ROAD / SERVICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Mr. Holbrook reported the following:

- The Road Department has completed prepping its equipment for the 2016/17 winter season. The brine tanks, tire chains and salt spreaders have been installed and tested.
- The Road Department continues to trim back its Township roads with the Bombford mower. With only three roads left, they are all but done.
- The new GMC Pickup Truck is built and is in transit.

- The Road Department staff installed the new letter safe in the Trash Billing Office to secure residents' trash payments.

TRUSTEE DeGROAT REPORT:

Mr. DeGroat thanked the Township employees for all of their hard work during the year.

TRUSTEE STUBBS REPORT:

Mr. Stubbs reported the following:

- The pool liner needs replaced. It will cost approximately \$70,000 for the replacement. The liner will be heavy duty and should last for many years. This should save money in the long run as the pool has been leaking which has greatly increased water and chemical consumption. The new liner will not require periodic painting which will also decrease ongoing maintenance costs.
- The Germantown Union Cemetery is opening a new section on the western side of the property.
- Mr. Stubbs attended the recent Montgomery County Township Association dinner.
- Mr. Stubbs introduced a conversation discussing reducing the cost of making copies for residents requesting copies of various Township records. The current policy is that there is no cost for the first five copies and subsequent copies are \$.25 each. After discussion, it was decided to table any decision regarding changing the current policy until a future meeting.

TRUSTEE CROSS REPORT:

Mr. Cross reported the following:

- He attended the "Santa in the Country" breakfast which was enjoyable and well attended.
- Along with Chief Andzik, he interviewed two candidates for Reserve Police Officers positions.

ZONING REPORT:

The number of zoning permits issued was up from last year. There were 16 permits issued in 2016.

TRASH REPORT: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

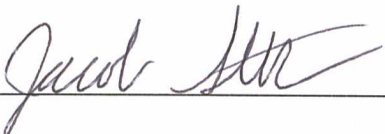
NEW BUSINESS: NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE

PURCHASE ORDERS AND BANK RECONCILIATIONS WERE SIGNED.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

With no further business, the Meeting Adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Signed: 

Attest: 