

Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held Jan. 9, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Rich Rea, Randy Williams, Wayne Hicks and Pam Hudson. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and began with the pledge of allegiance. The minutes of the last meeting were then read and approved.

Under Old Business, The Fiscal Officer reported the following:

The Certificate of the Total Amount From All Sources Available for Expenditures and Balances were sent to the County Auditor's office for their review and approval with the Total Amount Available plus Balances to appropriate for fiscal year 2018 amounting to \$463,540.78; a letter has been given to zoning inspector, Rich Rea, requesting that he complete a zoning activity report and submit it to the board monthly, either in person or via email; and the corporate authorization resolution has been signed by all trustees and fiscal officer and returned to Andover Bank reflecting the new signatures for all banking transactions.

The cemetery sexton issue was tabled until the Jan. 23. Meeting as Ben Richcreek would like to be here when discussing the issue.

Barb Culp then informed the board that she has received a response from the County Prosecutor's office regarding the question of what is permitted on a township sign. Their reply included several items that are permitted and those that are not. Specifically, it does not allow the township to permit any ads for a business, but does allow community group events to be posted. They suggest that the township exercise extreme caution in accepting outside announcements for display on the sign. Their legal opinion is located in the Prosecutor's file in our office.

Barb Culp then informed the board that she has been looking at electronic signage which runs around \$865. Each adding that she would like to get two of them as they are one-sided. She suggested that maybe she could get other local groups to go in on it.

The roadman made the suggestion that we could use one of our two V-plows on hand as a permanent sign that he could re-furbish by sanding, painting and lettering with the basic information of meeting days and times and install it on a poured concrete pad.

Robert Jackson stated that he would like to wait and see and is open to any ideas.

Under New Business, trustees learned that Pierpont Township will be receiving a NOPEC grant in the amount of \$2,135. To be used for energy efficiency this year. More details and instructions will be forthcoming via email this month from them.

Robert Jackson then brought up the fact that we need a new battery booster in the shop, as the ones on hand are not working. Barb Culp made the motion to purchase a new one. Gaylord Millard seconded, motion approved. Trustees gave the roadman permission to go ahead and get one.

Barb Culp informed trustees that she had called Melissa Harvey at the County Land Bank office and was sent an application for the township to apply for the property located adjacent to our current township garage and office, that address being 1117 S.R. 7 N, Pierpont OH 44082. She was told that the total costs incurred would include court costs and whatever the county has put into it, which she was assured would be very minimal amounts. The only stipulation would be that we would be responsible for the demolishing of the house and buildings. Trustee Culp said that the Fire Dept. could possibly use it for a practice burn, with us getting the permit to do so from the County first, which is a \$55. Fee and trustees noted that there may be other things we will have to do, but first we have to fill out the application and send it in. Robert Jackson made the motion to request an application from them and fill it out, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.

Robert Jackson then informed the board that he phoned the Building Dept. to report the fact that the yellow bldg. on the corner of Rt. 7 and Marcy Rd. is in poor condition and that it is located in close proximity along the main route of our fire and ambulance vehicles and has the potential of collapsing. He was told that they will come out to inspect it, take some pictures and try to get it condemned. Barb Culp was able to find the property owner's name and address, that being Michael Clyde, a resident of

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Pennsylvania. She plans on writing a letter to the owner and try to find out what his plans are for this yellow building on the corner and the red brick building next door to it. Rich Rea, the zoning inspector, reported that there has been no building activity, most likely due to the new septic system regulations. He noted that there is a 2 acre minimum lot size to build on.

Trustees then discussed Horner's Woods and noted that they need to look at what the property has to offer and review the terms agreed upon when endowed to the township. Trustees agreed to table this matter until better weather permits trustees to walk the area. At this point in the meeting trustees reviewed all current policies and resolutions on hand and the following was acted upon with the effective date being January 9, 2018:

1. Driving Rules & Regulations – In order to comply with the state, an amendment to make the use of a cell phone illegal while inside a vehicle, it must be turned off and used only when outside of the vehicle, Robert Jackson made the motion to adopt said amendment effective immediately, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.
2. Firearms Policy – No changes
3. Sexual Harassment – No changes
4. Safety Requirements – Amend and add #8 to read "Not to be performing work tasks while on the phone. Exception: Taking pictures related to township business."
5. Public Records – Robert Jackson made the motion to adopt a resolution that we furnish a request form for public records with the said request being taken care of in no more than 5 business days, with the first 25 pages free and .10 a copy after, Barb Culp seconded the motion, the vote was as follows: Gaylord Millard-yes; Robert Jackson-yes; Barb Culp-yes; resolution passed.
6. Records Retention and Disposal Method Policy – Barb Culp made the motion to adopt a new Records Retention and Disposal Method Policy which states that all non-historical or relevant records 6 yrs. Prior to current fiscal year be incinerated, with two trustees to act as witnesses and one other person to perform the burning, with all same specified records to be shredded thereafter, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.
7. Travel Reimbursement Policy – Robert Jackson made the motion to adopt the policy of reimbursing a township employee for all reasonable expenses incurred while on township business, including any registration fees to attend, mileage at the current IRS allowable rate, and meals and lodging, excluding alcohol. Receipts must be furnished for reimbursement. The motion was seconded by Gaylord Millard, all voted in favor, motion passed.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

R. Williams	\$1,328.25	B. Brent	\$1,185.85
Illum. Co.	444.01	Andover Auto	16.75
Sunburst Env.	43.15	Pyma-tuning Tire	35.
Charlie's Auto	5.80	Ash. Co. EMA	48.83
Dominion	219.63	Postmaster	49.
	TOTAL		\$3,376.27

There being no further business, Barb Culp made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Robert Jackson seconded the motion, motion passed, meeting adjourned. ORC 5705.41 B. Brent

Bette Brent
FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L Jackson
CHAIRMAN

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Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held Jan. 23, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Rich Rea, Randy Williams, Wayne Hicks and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and began with the pledge of allegiance. The minutes of the last meeting were then read and approved.

The Fiscal Officer reported the following:
That she has completed the Public Records request form.

The Zoning Inspector, Rich Rea, reported that he has received two junk car complaints, one being on Anderson Rd., the other on Creek Rd. and he will be checking on those.

Chairman Jackson then asked the residents in attendance if they had any concerns and Doug Dreslinski commented that the wooden stakes with reflectors that the roadman and his assistant installed look very nice and made a suggestion regarding their placement.

Under Old Business: Chairman Jackson brought up the fact that we now have a sign out front to inform residents of our meeting days and times. Trustee Barb Culp reported that the Pierpont Fire Dept. Ladies' Auxiliary has loaned it to us and that if we chose to make a donation to them we could keep it. Gaylord Millard made the motion to do so, with no specific dollar amount set. Robert Jackson seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.

The subject then was brought up regarding the cemetery sexton position. Trustee Barb Culp informed everyone that we are currently spending \$12,000. Per year for the upkeep of the three cemeteries and the board will be considering other options for this upcoming season such as putting the job out for bids; or hiring a part-time person to do only the mowing and weedeating, with the roadman doing the footers and continue the digging of the graves and trustee Barb Culp doing the flags and flowers. The issues of compensation, insurance and workers comp will also need to be addressed. Trustee Barb Culp suggested that the trustees could go in and do a spring clean up and another at the end of the season in the fall. Residents in attendance commented that we need to be specific about what we want regarding the duties going forward. Trustee Barb Culp commented that she has written up a job description for the cemetery sexton duties. Resident Cheri Hoover commented that if we were to put out bids, we should do it soon as most contractors like to have their jobs lined up by March 1st. Chairman Jackson commented that the board knows this is an important issue to all of us and we are looking for input from the residents on this and no decision will be made tonite, we will be tabling it for the Feb. 6th meeting. Several residents in attendance commented that they would like to see a local resident, if qualified, get the position. Ben Richcreek then addressed the board and asked trustees if he was to have a job returning as cemetery sexton after this April or if he should start looking for something else and was told by trustee Culp that he should probably start looking for something else.

Chairman Jackson then brought up the subject of trying to obtain some restrooms at our townhall location. He reported that he has spoken with the owner next door and that he was open and willing to work with us using his septic system. We will need to look into having the EPA study the situation to see if this would be an option.

Trustee Barb Culp reported that we are waiting on the County Land Bank regarding the property next door to our townhall/garage. She stated that they want us to have it and she will give them another couple of weeks before checking back with them. A resident in attendance asked trustees what we plan to do with the property and was told by chairman Jackson that we have no plans yet—we just want to obtain it.

Trustee Barb Culp reported that local resident Lois Wright Morton has several photos of the township and took a group photo of the board prior to tonite's meeting and will assist the Fiscal Officer in creating a website for our township. Trustee Culp will contact the

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county to have some incorrect information they have regarding our meeting times corrected and updated.

Gaylord Millard reported that both Steve Koivisto and Dave Carr have agreed to serve another five year term on the Zoning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals, respectively, with their terms ending on Dec. 31, 2022.

Under New Business, Chairman Jackson reported that the Beautification Committee recently asked that they be provided a key to the townhall so they could conduct their meetings here. Trustee Barb Culp sent a request to our County Prosecutor's office for a ruling on the request and we were advised that according to the ORC the board has the authority to rent or lease the townhall under certain terms, but that due to the fact that we have unsecured personal information in the meeting room, this would create a security issue, and that the trustees have a personal obligation to maintain such records in a secure, safe manner. Resident Lois Wright Morton then commented that Ducro's has a community room available and also the local Masonic hall would most likely be happy to host their meetings.

The subject of spring clean up day was then brought up. It was noted that the Fire Dept. has an annual Chinese Auction held the last weekend in April and having the dumpsters there has always caused a problem for their event, which limited parking. So, noting that, Bob Jackson made the motion to hold spring clean up Friday, April 20 from noon til 4 for seniors and handicapped residents, and Sat. April 21 from 8 til noon for all township residents. Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. The fiscal officer will notify PennOhio and reserve the usual dumpsters, that being two 40 yd. Household trash dumpsters and one 80 yd. scrap dumpster, with extras to be supplied on call. It was mentioned that the County may be holding a Solid Waste day with 4 tires per resident allowed.

Trustee Barb Culp then informed everyone that there are two free events coming up; those being a RAM clinic with them asking for volunteers and the CHIP program. She furnished literature on both programs and encouraged all in attendance to take copies home with them and share with their friends and neighbors.

Resident Cheri Hoover then informed all in attendance that our local American Legion is disbanding, but that Norm Woodard will still take care of the Memorial Day parade as long as he possibly can. She also mentioned that there is a blood drive underway being held at Ducro's community room. Resident Helen Mallory commented that last summer's 60 mi. yard sale was unbelievable, bringing much traffic into the township and suggested that we should try and have some portable restrooms available in town along with a food booth. It was mentioned that the Fire Dept. did have the red building open for rest room use.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

Conneautville Hdwe	\$28.60	R. Williams	\$966.
Conneautville Hdwe	13.77	Windstream	114.12
R. Williams	840.	Dollar Gen.	10.49
Jefferson Auto	254.98	Ash. Co. Treas.	28.50
Bur. Workers Comp	1,579.00		
	TOTAL		\$3,835.46

There being no further business, Gaylord Millard made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Barb Culp seconded the motion, motion passed, meeting adjourned. ORC 5705.41 *B. Brent*

Bette Brent
FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L Jackson
CHAIRMAN

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Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held Feb. 6, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Randy Williams, Wayne Hicks and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order. The minutes of the last meeting were then read and approved.

The Fiscal Officer reported the following: that she has called PennOhio to reserve the dates of Fri. and Sat. April 20 and 21st for our annual spring clean up and contract for such has been signed and returned to them; gotten an answering machine for our office; and has our new website up and running with both the domain and hosting paid up for two years from GoDaddy with thanks to Lois Wright Morton and Randy Williams for all the photos.

Chairman Jackson then asked the residents in attendance if they had any concerns and resident Kathy Barnard commented that she has recently visited Evergreen Cemetery and commented that it looks in sad shape, noting that the little shed is in need of remodeling and that there are piles of dirt around that look unsightly and asked if they could be moved to a less visible area. She also asked that if possible, we could use a fund raiser in order to purchase a flag with lighting for the cemetery and that she may have an Ohio flag that could be used. Mention was made that the cemetery is off limits after dark.

Resident Cheri Hoover then asked the board if they knew if our township was going to get a recycling program again in the future and trustee Barb Culp responded that she will email Janice Switzer to find out. The fiscal officer then informed everyone that last fall the board did pass a resolution in favor of the new Ashtabula County Solid Waste Management plan update so we may, in fact, get a site in the near future.

Under Old Business, the position of a cemetery groundskeeper was discussed and the general thinking was that this should be a seasonal part-time position with the starting pay to be \$11./hr. with a maximum of 30 hrs. a week and will use the township's equipment for the mowing and weedeating. Robert Jackson made the motion to adopt these parameters with Barb Culp seconding the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. Trustees asked the fiscal officer to please advertise the position for one week in the local Free Press and publish it on our township website with all applications to be received by March 1, 2018. The roadman will continue to do the digging of the graves and footers. Barb Culp has drawn up a list of duties that they will be responsible for. Trustee Culp then mentioned that she agreed that the building currently at the cemetery is in poor shape and that the topsoil does need to be moved. Robert Jackson commented that the building should be torn down and we could use the wooden shed currently at our townhall location to house the zero-turn mower. Gaylord Millard mentioned that the zero-turn is probably in need of a new set of blades and the roadman will take care of the maintenance. Barb Culp suggested that we could have a clean-up day prior to the seasonal start of our new hire and possibly hold another at the end of the mowing season. She mentioned that current cemetery regulations state that all cemetery decorations should be removed by April 30. Barb Culp then mentioned that she would like to get all the cemetery graves on a computer system and is waiting to receive the software from UAN. The fiscal officer noted that all the maps regarding the cemetery tile lines and the new section of grave lots are in the office cupboard. Barb Culp mentioned that the leg on the soldier's monument needs to be repaired and will be taken care of in the spring.

At this point, the NOPEC grant resolution and agreement were reviewed and trustee Gaylord Millard made the motion to adopt the resolution to accept the NOPEC community grant program and grant agreement with Fiscal Officer, Bette Brent, being the assigned representative for 2018, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted as follows: Gaylord Millard-yes; Barb Culp-yes; Robert Jackson-yes; resolution passed unanimously. Chairman Jackson signed the paperwork and the fiscal officer will submit them and begin the process.

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Robert Jackson reported that regarding the restroom issue, the EPA frowns upon tapping into other systems, but that the Ohio General Assembly has made variances on different issues for small townships. He reported that he will be sitting down with representatives from the EPA at some future date and that the meeting will be mediated by the County Commissioners.

Under New Business, Robert Jackson reported that Greg Debevec, a resident on Schrambling Rd. was wanting to temporarily put in a 12" culvert to access his property for logging. At this point, Robert Jackson proposed a new Township Driveway Policy which will supercede the old driveway culvert policy, that basically states that township residents are responsible for the cost of their own culverts, with a minimum pipe length of 20' and minimum diameter of 12", that the township provide excavation for all driveway culverts and provide up to 8 tons of material, suitable for compacting, per parcel for the first culvert (to be clear, the township will provide excavation on all culverts, but will provide stone for only one); that for gas well and sawmill driveways the township will only provide excavation; and that driveways unbeknownst to the township that are constructed of improvised material, that impede the flow of water, will be removed by the township upon review. And if a resident want 30' they can put in 30'. Motion was made by Barb Culp to adopt the new policy, Robert Jackson seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed and to become effective immediately. The next issue to be addressed was the subject of a new Roadside Ditching Policy with Robert Jackson proposing the following: that prior to any ditching work that the township establish the right-of-way; that the township survey the area where work is to be performed to ensure there is sufficient grade; that ditches shall be constructed in a manner that will provide a minimum of one (1) foot of cover over driveway culverts; that the profile of the ditch will be 3:1 roadside slope; a one (1) foot bottom and a 2:1 back slope; that the bottom of the ditch shall maintain 21' feet parallel to the center of the road; and that obstacles in the right-of-way, that impede the profile of the ditch, will be removed or tiled around. Tile expense to be landowner's responsibility. Gaylord Millard made the motion to adopt the new Roadside Ditching Policy as presented, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.

The next issue was the subject of updating and amending some items on our roadman's employment parameters. Robert Jackson proposed that our roadman, Randy Williams' vacation time be amended that enables him to take his vacation at any time year-round, to allow flex time and to allow 3 bereavement days off with full pay in the case of the death of an immediate family member with the terms to be retroactive to the first of the fiscal year 2018. Barb Culp made the motion to adopt these amendments as presented, Robert Jackson seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.

Barb Culp then informed the board that she has learned, while at the annual Ohio Township Conference, of a Fire Loss policy that some entities are taking advantage of which gives participating entities some financial leverage when a structure has a fire and becomes an issue when the homeowner doesn't want to clean it up or rebuild. Trustee Culp provided trustees with the information and asked them to look it over and possibly consider participating in this via a resolution at our next meeting.

Barb Culp then informed trustees that she is in the process of getting more information on the yellow building on the corner of Rt. 7 and Marcy Rd. as to who the actual owner is and what can be done about it. Also it was noted that the old Swift's store property is now owned by the County Port Authority and that they are trying to sell it.

Roger Butler then addressed the board and informed them that the County Fairgrounds has an old CEI line truck that they are going to be scrapping and that he thought the 4 tires still on it looked to still be usable and if we would be interested in swapping them for the old maintainer that we have. Gaylord Millard added that with this being considered scrap and not having much value, we could donate it to a good cause. With that being said, Barb Culp made the motion to donate the old scrap maintainer to the Ashtabula County Fair Board, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.

Gaylord Millard then brought up the subject of whether we should put out a bid for stone soon and Robert Jackson responded that we still have two large piles of limestone and that we should let it ride for now, Barb Culp agreed. Robert Jackson then mentioned that

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we should get an account with Kinder-Morgan dock and we could haul any stone ourselves.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

R. Williams	\$840.	Wal-Mart	\$73.22
GoDaddy	27.34	GoDaddy	7.99
GoDaddy	\$89.41	G. Millard	\$780.
R. Jackson	780.	B. Culp	780.
R. Rea	125.	B. Brent	1,185.85
R. Williams	840.	Star-Beacon	22.70
Office Depot	108.96	Sunburst Env.	43.15
Illum. Co.	444.57	Med. Mutual	370.30
Bridgestone	330.50		

TOTAL \$6,848.99

There being no further business, Gaylord Millard made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Barb Culp seconded the motion, motion passed, meeting adjourned. ORC

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FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L. Jackson

CHAIRMAN

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Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held Feb. 20, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Randy Williams, Wayne Hicks and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and everyone recited the pledge of allegiance. The minutes of the last meeting were then read and approved.

Under Old Business, the NOPEC grant program was discussed and Barb Culp suggested that the township apply for a grant to update our existing sign out front with a more economical LED sign, noting that she has obtained an estimate of \$1970. And has a friend who could make the stand. Robert Jackson made the motion to apply for such described LED sign, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. It was noted that our township is eligible to receive \$2,135. In grant funds and the fiscal officer will gather the necessary paperwork and start the process online. Robert Jackson reported that he has spoken with county commissioner Casey Kozlowski about the restroom situation here and Casey advised him that he has asked the EPA for a variance and was told that they may be willing to move in that direction and that he will be setting up a meeting with them soon.

Robert Jackson also reported that the yellow building on the corner of Marcy Rd. and Rt. 7 was checked out on the exterior by the county building dept. and the chief official, Todd Nagy, issued an opinion that there was not enough evidence to condemn the building but agreed that it is a visual nuisance.

Barb Culp informed the board that we will be making the decision on the new cemetery groundskeeper position at the next meeting. She also reported that there are several small issues at the cemetery that will need to be addressed such as some footers needing to be redone and holes to be filled. Robert Jackson mentioned that he has taken a good look at the block building there and it appears to be sound, and would be worth putting a new roof and a different door, such as a 6 or 7' overhead door and he would be willing to get some prices on the materials and do the work ourselves.

Gaylord Millard mentioned that last year we had a community youth group come out and pick up roots on the newer cemetery grounds but that we still need to have someone come in preferably with a rock hound and take care of the rocks. We did receive a quote from Billy Weaver last fall for the rockhounding and grass seeding.

Robert Jackson then asked the board if they wanted to go ahead and participate in the Fire Loss program, mentioning that we only have 2 in the township now, one on Stanhope-Kelloggsville and one on Rt. 167. Some reluctance was expressed by Gaylord Millard and Robert Jackson suggested we table it for now.

Gaylord Millard then asked what we were doing about the backhoe's outriggers. Robert Jackson told him that we are using it as is and just watching it as the pin is frozen in as it was apparently never greased.

Under New Business, Barb Culp then presented information from the county about their CHIP program and told everyone in attendance that the county would like to have as much participation as possible hoping to disburse all the grant monies that they have received to those most in need.

Robert Jackson reported that he and trustee Culp met with the county Engineer and signed our annual road mileage certification and reported that they have changed their policy to allow year-round changes. He also reported that Hall Rd. is corrected now. Also, the Engineer's office will be coming out and measuring Pennline Rd. where we expanded the roadway from one lane to two which should increase our reimbursements from the gas tax. The Engineer's office will also be doing a bid estimate for Cemetery Rd. so that we may apply for the OPWC grant.

Barb Culp reported that she has spoken with Sean Ratigan of the County Port Authority regarding the old Swift's store property and he told her that within the next 120 days, or by the end of June, the store should be torn down. They are actively marketing the property and would like to see a business locate there that would employ people, not just be a parking lot. She asked him what about the septic situation and was told that they'll work with that. He would like trustees to talk with people and get some ideas of what they would like to see there.

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Robert Jackson then informed everyone that there currently is a local committee that is dedicated to revitalizing the community and could work with this property in some way. Lewis Rd. resident, Pat Gallagher, was in attendance with his wife, and told trustees that he has dug an outlet ditch on his back acreage and is 90% done and stops just short of the creek in the back and needs different equipment to finish due to the wooded area. Robert Jackson told him that he would like to hike back there and check the elevations and see what can be done to finish it. It was mentioned that the resident just south of Mr. Gallagher lives in Painesville (owner on file appears to be Kathryn Schwartz) and will need to be contacted before we do any work. Robert Jackson reported that we are on the engineer's ditching list but that they are a year and a half out on projects, but we will get them the information they need to get on the list, such as the landowner's name, address and ditching needed. He noted that the County will only go as far as need be to alleviate any water problems.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

Barb Culp	\$597.09	R. Williams	\$840.
OPERS	6.78	OPERS	187.20
R. Williams	840.	Dominion	226.10
Millers Free Press	18.50	Hemly Tool	110.65
Windstream	110.67		
TOTAL	\$2,936.99		

There being no further business, Gaylord Millard made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

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Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held March 6, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Randy Williams, Wayne Hicks, zoning inspector Rich Rea and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and everyone recited the pledge of allegiance. The minutes of the last meeting were then read and approved.

The Zoning Inspector, Rich Rea, reported that AT&T is planning to locate a cell phone tower in our township and they inquired if we had any zoning regulations in place regarding such and Rich told them no. It was noted that the township currently has two, those being owned by Nextel and Verizon.

The fiscal officer brought up the fact that we need to take action on the official re-hiring of Wayne Hicks, our road work assistant, before we start our road projects for this year. Barb Culp made the motion to re-hire Wayne Hicks at the rate of \$15./hour for this fiscal year 2018 to assist the road superintendent, Randy Williams, as needed, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.

Resident Logan Fogus was in attendance to register a complaint about the condition of Schrambling Rd. due to the logging operation near the 1st bridge. He reported that his wife's bumper was knocked off due to the ruts. Chairman Jackson reported that he and the roadman had been out there to check out the situation yesterday and was informed that they plan on being there til mid-summer. He noted that he had the roadman put down some large stone but it's still bad and needs more. Robert Jackson will visit them tomorrow and see what more can be done. It was noted that the land being timbered is owned by Glen Holden and that they have spoken with him informing him of the situation. Robert Jackson also reported that he and the roadman had visited another logging operation up on Beckwith Rd. between Middle and Sweet Rds. that had logs in the ditch yesterday and informed them that they couldn't leave them there as it was a hazard to motorists and was told that they would be removed either later that day or the following day. This was land owned by Robert Miller who owns the sawmill on Middle Rd.

Under Old Business, Barb Culp opened discussion on the Fire Loss Procedures resolutions reviewing the many benefits and particulars of participating in the program, noting that it is widely used in other cities and townships; and after some discussion, Trustee Culp made the motion to adopt the Fire Loss Procedures set forth in ORC 3929.86(C) and (D) and a Resolution Providing for the Removal, Repair, or Securance of Insecure, structurally defective, or unfit buildings or structures and establishing a demolition expense fund, Robert Jackson seconded the motion, the roll call vote was as follows: Gaylord Millard-yes; Barbara Culp-yes; Robert Jackson-yes; resolutions passed unanimously, both Resolutions' 2018-4 and 2018-5 complete language can be found in the Fire Loss Resolution file and a certified copy of both to be filed for public record will be sent to the Superintendent of the Ohio Dept. of Insurance.

Regarding the restroom issue Barbara Culp has called the EPA and they are looking at some options and will call us back at some point.

Trustee Barb Culp reported that we have received 12 applications for the Cemetery Sexton position and after both Gaylord Millard and she reviewed them all, Trustee Culp recommended the township hire Ryan Sardella for the position. She stated that he has had extensive experience in this field. The rate of pay will be \$11./hr. with a limit of 30 hrs. a week and would tentatively start April 15 through October, depending on the weather. Barb Culp made the motion to hire Ryan Sardella, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. The fiscal officer will take care of Ryan signing the needed paperwork. Trustee Culp reported that the cemetery needs a major cleaning up before he starts and will take care of organizing that. Gaylord Millard asked the question if we should hire someone to take care of the roof and new door on the shed there and Robert Jackson responded that we will do it and he will take care of getting the

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materials and enlisting some help. It was mentioned that Dave & Rita Carr will assist with the flags there.

Regarding Lewis Rd. Robert Jackson will talk to the County Engineer's office and see if they would drop off the machine needed for the work on the Gallagher's and he could possibly do the work himself on a weekend. He also mentioned that the County has a rental program and will see how they want to go with this. We may need the Gallagher's neighbor to sign an agreement before we complete the work in the back, but will see once we get back in there.

Under New Business, it was reported that up near Ben Richcreek's place on Hall Rd. the road is a mess and he got stuck. It basically needs to be leveled out and some material put down, the roadman will take care of that soon. Also mentioned was that Clint Cork's driveway culvert needs to be replaced and Clint agreed to purchase the culvert when he gets his tax return back.

Robert Jackson reported that he spent last Friday all day working with the roadman due to the heavy snow and weather conditions.

Barbara Culp noted that we now have a whiteboard up listing all of the roads and what needs to be addressed on each. She invited residents in attendance to let her know if they are aware of any specific problems and she would mark it down. Ditching is planned for every road. Robert Jackson mentioned that we need to do a list of outlet ditches needed.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

R. Williams	\$840.	Barb Culp	\$780.
G. Millard	780.	R. Jackson	780.
R. Rea	125.	B. Brent	1,166.73
Med. Mutual	370.30	R. Williams	840.
Sunburst Env.	43.15	Illum. Co.	159.73
Centerra	2,066.83	MBFS USA	32,766.42
Jefferson Auto	391.95		
TOTAL		\$41,110.11	

There being no further business, Gaylord Millard made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

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Bette Brent
FISCAL OFFICER

Robert Jackson
CHAIRMAN

Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held March 20, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Randy Williams, Wayne Hicks and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and everyone recited the pledge of allegiance. The minutes of the last meeting were then read and approved.

Pat Gallagher, a resident of Lewis Rd., addressed the board and asked if we could please get some stone at the end of his road just off of Rt. 167 and trustee Bob Jackson responded that we are aware of it and we will take care of it when we can. Resident Helen Mallory informed the board that Jerry Redmond, who plans on attending the next township meeting, will be organizing the Memorial Day parade and that John Patterson is the scheduled speaker. The Memorial Day parade will be held on Monday May 28, 2018 beginning at 9am and that breakfast will be served in the Fire Dept.'s Red building prior to the parade.

Under Old Business, trustee Barb Culp reported that the EPA may be out in a week or two to inspect the site next door regarding the septic system issue. Trustee Bob Jackson mentioned that we will see what they determine, and was more optimistic than before, but noted that there are grants out there should we need to pursue other options to get a restroom facility at our townhall/garage building.

It was reported that Barb Culp and Randy cleaned out the shed at the cemetery yesterday and noted that it's in pretty good shape and that we will need to change the locks on the door. Also mentioned was that Randy has all the mowers and one weedeater here and will be doing the maintenance on them. It was noted that one of the weed eaters, the older model, hasn't been located yet.

Under New Business, Robert Jackson reported that the property surrounding the 5 acres that the township owns on Rt. 7 south of town has been sold to a Bradley Hackathorn. He informed trustee Jackson that he might be interested in purchasing those additional 5 acres at sometime in the future, but wasn't possible for him to do so now. Trustee Jackson then asked the other trustees if they thought we should liquidate this acreage and sell to Bradley Hackathorn for \$10,000. Which would basically amount to what the township originally purchased this for. Trustees were all in agreement that it would be a good idea. Robert Jackson made the Resolution to sell the 5.036 acres to Bradley Hackathorn for \$10,000. Located on Rt. 7, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, the roll call vote was as follows: Gaylord Millard-yes; Barbara Culp-yes; Robert Jackson-yes. Resolution passed.

Robert Jackson then brought up the issue of the safety liability exposure concerning our new cemetery sexton, Ryan Sardella and would like Ryan to sign a safety release form after reviewing our equipment and procedures along with getting some training on the safe operation of such and made the motion to adopt said safety release form, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. Trustee Jackson also would like the roadman to go ahead and purchase a helmet with a face guard for Ryan to use and go over the safe operation with Ryan of all the equipment he will be using. Barb Culp reported that she has learned that NOPEC is offering a \$250. Community Sponsorship grant and applications are due no later than April 9th, 2018 and will be given to a community hosting an event benefitting local residents. Trustees suggested that this could be used towards our coming spring clean-up day this April to offset our expenses. Robert Jackson made the motion to apply for said grant to be applied to our spring clean-up day, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. The fiscal officer will submit the required information to NOPEC.

Trustee Barb Culp then informed everyone in attendance that the Ashtabula County EMA has a new program called "Swift 911" in which you can visit the Ashtabula County website and go to the bottom of the page and click on the link provided to sign up your cell phone number which will enable them to send out warnings to those signed up.

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The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

R. Williams	\$1,123.50	Conneautville Hdwe.	14.40
Dollar General	25.69	Windstream	110.56
GoDaddy	294.25	GoDaddy	12.80
R. Williams	840.	Illum. Co.	27184
Stan Hofka & Son	231.18	Dominion	170.48
PVFD	21.98		

TOTAL \$3,090.99

There being no further business, Barb Culp made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

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B. Brent
Bette Brent
 FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L Jackson
 CHAIRMAN

Held

Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held April 3, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Randy Williams, Wayne Hicks and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and everyone recited the pledge of allegiance. The minutes of the last meeting were then read and approved.

The Fiscal Officer reported the following:

That she has started the grant process with NOPEC;

She has called Will Smith, who redid the roof on the roadman's office last spring, to check for a leak that has developed and take a look at the vestibule roof as it is leaking also and he will work us in when he can;

That Dawn Rocksberry from our local ODOT office will be getting back to us with the information as to what contractor's will be working in our area so that we might arrange to get some grindings from them;

And that we have received our Rollback & homestead monies from the state for the first half amounting to \$10,628.

At that point, township resident Chris Dinning of 5566 Anderson Rd. addressed the trustees with the complaint that the end of his driveway is very muddy and that with the ditch being somewhat level with the road the water isn't draining like it should and that he also had mud in his yard. Trustee Bob Jackson responded that we will take a look at it in the morning and put some gravel down and informed everyone in attendance that our plan is to get as much asphalt grindings as possible and start topping the roads with that material. Trustee Barb Culp then added that our goal is to get the ditches done on every road with trustee Bob Jackson adding that all the roads need to be built up. He noted that Denmark township has used grindings on a couple of their roads and they're nice. Trustee Jackson mentioned that we had started slip-scraping but had to stop due to the rain.

Turner Rd. resident Jerry Redmond then addressed everyone to inform them that the local American Legion post will be closing and will merge with Andover. He noted that the American Legion has hosted the local Memorial Day parade since 1946 and that this will be the last year that they will be able to organize this event. He reported that all the arrangements have been done for this year but will need to find some local person or organization that would like to take this on and that they would help in the transition. Trustee Bob Jackson suggested that we could put it on our township website and the fiscal officer will take care of that. The contact persons would be either Jerry Redmond or Norm Woodard.

Trustee Barb Culp then asked Jerry where could she get flag holders for the cemetery to hold the veteran's flags and was told that the County Veteran's Administration has them and he was able to get a box of 35 for free.

Under Old Business, Trustee Bob Jackson reported the following:

That the ongoing issue of trying to get some restrooms at our township office/garage location is moving forward with a meeting planned for April 9th with the district manager of the EPA coming out from Twinsburg to walk the site next door and determine if we can tie-in to that. He also mentioned that he has had discussions with the owner, Cameron Wright, and that he is very much open to the idea. Trustee Jackson also noted that we will try to get a grant to add on to our facility should the tie-in be approved;

That we need to move the wooden shed currently at our township office location down to the cemetery to house the grasshopper mower as the block building at the cemetery needs some renovations before it could accommodate the zero-turn mower. It was suggested by trustee Gaylord Millard that maybe we could put up a metal building;

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That he has been down on Lewis Rd. checking on the elevations trying to find a good solution for the drainage of the road ditches and determined that there is no good outlet. He reported that according to the County Engineer's office that it would be cost prohibitive to do any major project and that we should just build up the road. Bob Jackson mentioned that there is not enough benefit behind resident Pat Gallagher's place to do any more ditching there and that there is a small area by Andy Yoder's place that could be cleaned but thinks that we should just continue to clean the ditches and build up the road;

That he had a conversation with Brad Hackathorn about the 5 acres we own on Rt. 7 and Brad had asked if we could work out some sort of escrow agreement with him to purchase it. He informed the board that Brad still hasn't closed on the deal with the adjoining parcel and asked trustees what should we do—wait or sit on it or advertise it? He noted that the township is not in the business to hold onto property and at that point Gaylord Millard agreed and made the motion to rescind the old resolution 2018-8 with Bradley Hackathorn and adopt a new resolution 2018-9 to put the 5.036 acres of township property on Rt. 7 south up for sale and advertise said parcel, Barbara Culp seconded the motion, the vote was as follows:

Gaylord Millard-yes

Barb Culp-yes

Bob Jackson-yes

Resolution 2018-9 passed unanimously, the fiscal officer will start the advertising soon;

That he and Barb Culp had a meeting with the Land Bank, County Treasurer and Janice Switzer regarding the house/parcel next door to our townhall grounds and was told that they are waiting on an asbestos inspection and following that the Land Bank will tear it down and told trustees that the township could use the land in the back for storage of stone if need be until we take possession and that they will be receiving \$25,000. In funds to tear it down and that there may be enough monies left over to possibly put up a fence;

Brought up the subject of the additional 5 acres at the cemetery that still needs to be finished and asked trustee Gaylord Millard how many years could we go until we need to use it and Gaylord replied that he thought at least 2 yrs. And trustee Bob Jackson asked if we could let some crops be planted back there for now? Trustee Barb Culp then responded that they would have to make sure they wouldn't be driving across the cemetery driveway to access. It was noted that we received a quote last year for the rock hounding but was never acted on. Trustee Bob Jackson suggested that maybe the Boy Scouts could be used for this but resident Pam Hudson noted that there aren't that many boys in the organization anymore but that she will ask Dan Swift. Trustee Jackson suggested that this be tabled for now;

That people keep asking him about some of the blighted properties in the township particularly the burnt out Holcomb house on Stanhope-Kelloggsville Rd. and he has found out that according to the Holcomb's the property is still in probate and the Rt. 167 burnt out house didn't sell when offered so the judge gave it to the state to sell and that they will have an auction again which will be the third one;

That he attended the Health Dept. annual meeting on March 22 in Jefferson and reported that the township's share of their fee to the Dept. will be increasing by \$1,074.37 next year bringing our annual total fee to them \$12,196. Which is deducted from our General Fund Real Estate monies. The reason being that the Health Dept. will be participating in an accreditation program with the State of Ohio that will cost \$35,000. To join. To not join would possibly force our county to merge with an adjoining county thereby losing our local influence;

That regarding the meeting with the EPA on April 9th they will be doing a site inspection of the former Jamboree Foods lot per Bob Jackson's request and he informed everyone that the County plans on tearing the building down and that he is looking into the possibility of having the septic system remain with the hope that the township could

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possibly purchase the parcel from the County Land Bank and offer it for resale as an improved lot. Trustee Jackson was told by the EPA that he needed to have the County Engineer inspect the system and report his findings of which Bob Jackson had arranged and had the inspection in the form of a letter from Tim Martin, the County Engineer, which basically approved the existing system. He also noted that one of the County Commissioners will be attending the meeting on the 9th;

Trustee Barb Culp then asked Ryan Sardella, our new cemetery sexton in attendance, if he was ready to start and he responded that "he's ready" and that he would be starting on Gould Cemetery this Saturday, weather permitting.

Under New Business, Barb Culp reported that Karen Dewey from the Andover Public Library will be here at the next meeting to discuss their upcoming levy and asking for our support.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

R. Williams	\$840.	Kreger's True Value	\$28.46
R. Williams	997.50	Med. Mutual	370.30
B. Culp	780.	R. Jackson	780
G. Millard	780.	R. Rea	125.
B. Brent	1,166.73	Jefferson Auto	102.23
Sunburst Env.	45.75	Illum. Co.	170.56
Lenox Equip.	220.85	Bortnick's	634.55
Centerra	60.90		

TOTAL \$7,102.83

There being no further business, Gaylord Millard made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

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Bette Brent
FISCAL OFFICER

Robert A. Jackson
CHAIRMAN

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Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held April 17, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Randy Williams, Wayne Hicks and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and everyone recited the pledge of allegiance. The minutes of the last meeting were then read and approved.

A resident in attendance, Penny Bealer, of Stateline Rd. informed trustees that her road is currently in bad condition and wondered why we went down the middle and didn't do the edges and Bob Jackson responded that due to the extremely wet weather we had to stay in the middle of the road. She also mentioned that the hill up there is causing issues when it snows and asked if trustees could do something about that, such as maybe put up a snow fence. Trustees Gaylord Millard and Bob Jackson both responded that we have tried everything and that basically the hill needs to be cut back. It was noted that Phil Dietrich owns that land. Bob Jackson told her that he and the roadman will take a drive up and look at it.

Under Old Business, Bob Jackson reported the following:

That he had a meeting with the EPA on April 9th with County Commissioner Casey Kozlowski in attendance and that the representative had inspected the building next door owned by Cameron Wright and thought that pending us getting an occupancy number for our building to her, she didn't think it would be a problem tying in to that system, but the next day informed him that due to an oversight on their part that it could not be allowed.

That he has run into some glitches regarding our township getting asphalt grindings and he has had discussions with our state rep John Patterson to see if he could get some legislation started that would allow local entities to have first priority to such as the taxpayers have already paid for the materials they are taking up and that we may have to go to Nelson's and pay for them, but is still looking at other alternatives.

That he has been in contact with Mrs. Holcomb regarding their burnt out house structure at 1848 Stanhope-Kelloggsville Rd. and asked her if she would agree to have the township take down the remaining structure, having our local Fire Dept. do the burning and the township would be responsible for any permits and fees and do the filling in and levelling the area. She has given her permission to do so. That being said, a motion was made by Barb Culp to enter into a formal agreement with Mrs. Holcomb with the terms so discussed here. Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. Bob Jackson will take care of acquiring the required permits and getting them completed and returned to all parties involved.

Barb Culp then mentioned that the property next door to our townhall due to its' age is considered historical and has to have a survey before any transfer of title and that the Land Bank still doesn't have the title in possession.

The discussion of the possibility of the rental of land behind our existing cemetery was then addressed. In attendance was Marty Holden, who currently farms quite a bit of acreage in the township, and he offered the board \$25. Per acre to plant crops, possibly either corn or soybeans and that he could access the field from his existing property that adjoins in the back, which would eliminate the issue of using the cemetery driveways. All trustees thought this was a good idea for the land for now and Barb Culp made the motion to accept Marty Holden's offer of \$25. Per acre per year, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.

Barb Culp then reported that Ryan and herself put some time in at Gould Cemetery cleaning up recently and they got about half the cemetery done and that it looks excellent. She asked all in attendance that she welcomes any suggestions for Evergreen Cemetery as to how they might improve things. She also noted that we will not be

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making any changes this year, keeping the status quo and not moving the building down there as she would like to see how this season goes.

It was reported that regarding our vacant land on Rt 7 totalling 5.036 acres, we must first advertise for bids or put it up for auction, and if we do not get any bids or offers, then we would be free to sell it privately. We will have to get it professionally appraised first and then will go from there.

Under New Business, It was reported that there was a bad accident at the intersections of Rt. 6 & 7 and Richmond Township trustee Dave Ballentine has contacted ODOT to see if they could put up a flashing stop sign.

Township resident, Lois Wright-Morton, PhD, then addressed the board informing them that there has been a group of interested people meeting recently that would like to re-energize the downtown Pierpont area. She then presented everyone with some facts and figures about the current status of our township and asked the board for their support of their efforts to create a committee to be called the Pierpont Revitalization, Planning and Development Committee. Bob Jackson made the motion of resolution to support said Committee and their efforts and offered the services of the Township Board of Trustees to be the vehicle to help them, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted as follows: Barb Culp-yes; Gaylord Millard-yes; Robert Jackson-yes; Resolution 2018-11 passed. Bob Jackson noted that we could have a rotating trustee attend their meetings. It was also mentioned that the new head of Rural Development for Ohio is Dave Hall, who will be at a meeting in the County on May 25. Barb Culp then mentioned that she will be contacting the newspapers in the area to run a notice urging people to contact us with their ideas and that the committee will be compiling two items the first being a map of downtown Pierpont identifying land use parcels and a map on a bulletin board indicating the small businesses in our township. Resident Helen Mallory then informed all that Wanda Williams is currently offering Make Pierpont Great Again t-shirts at her shop and will cost \$15.

The head librarian of Andover Public Library then addressed everyone asking for our support of the upcoming levy of .5 mills along with an additional .5 bringing the total to 1 mill which will be on the May 8th ballot and passed out brochures.

Barb Culp then informed the board that while she and Bob Jackson were visiting and getting familiar with our township owned properties they discovered a large pile of used maple syrup tubing left behind in Horner's Woods on Turner Rd. Trustee Culp then asked the fiscal officer to please draft a letter to Dr. Paul Mechling asking him to please take care of this. Gaylord Millard then indicated that he had spoken to Paul about this and that he will take care of it.

Barb Culp then brought up the site of the old Jamboree Foods and reported that the EPA had inspected it when they were out on the 9th of this month. They had requested that we have the existing septic system inspected by an outside party beforehand and make a determination as to the condition. Trustee Bob Jackson had arranged for our county engineer, Tim Martin, to do so and had the letter from Mr. Martin approving the existing system. Using this information Barb Culp then made the motion to offer the Ashtabula County Port Authority the sum of \$1,000. For the former Swift's Jamboree Foods store and gas station (PIN#40-033-00-010-00) provided the following terms are included: 1 That the existing septic system and water well remain intact; and 2 that the existing building be torn down, removed and the site cleaned up. Robert Jackson seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. The fiscal officer will send in the offer to the Port Authority as soon as possible. Bob Jackson mentioned that we might have to make a small repair to the septic system's mound.

Barb Culp then informed everyone that she recently attended a County Commissioner's work session and encouraged all to try and attend as she found it very interesting. She also mentioned that a large quantity of American flags were given to us by Linesville PA and that they are in the vestibule and to help yourself to them. Bob Jackson educated all

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in attendance that the proper way to dispose of them is to separate the stars from the stripes.

The fiscal officer then informed trustees that our 3 mill Road and Bridge levy will be expiring this year. Barb Culp made the motion to adopt a Resolution Declaring the Necessity to Levy a tax in Excess of the Ten Mill Limitation for the renewal of our expiring 3 mill Road & Bridge levy which is to run for 5 years beginning in 2019 to 2023 inclusive, to be put on the November 6, 2018 ballot and authorizing the County Auditor to determine the dollar amount that will be generated by this renewal levy and the current total tax valuation, Gaylord Millard seconded the resolution and the roll call was: Gaylord Millard-yes; Barbara Culp-yes; Robert Jackson-yes; resolution adopted. The fiscal officer will send in the required resolution and letters to the County Auditor and County Prosecutor's office in order to begin the process.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

Merry's Hdwe.	\$39.02	W.Hicks	\$510.
R. Williams	840.	W.Hicks	600.
R. Williams	840.	Windstream	113.76
Illum. Co.	271.14	Kinder Morgan	154.
Dominion	163.91	Bortnick's	6.39
Med Mutual	370.30	Ash. Co. Twp.	240.
Treas. Of State	297.		
		TOTAL	\$4,445.52

There being no further business, Robert Jackson made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

ORC 5705.41 B. Brent

Bttle Brent
FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L Jackson
CHAIRMAN

Held

Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held April 26, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in Emergency session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present.. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order.

The Emergency session was called in order to address the current situation of a recently deceased township resident, Bill Swarthout, being held at University Hospital's morgue. Trustee Bob Jackson learned of his death and had made contact with the morgue and learned that they needed to have someone take delivery of Bill's body soon as they needed the space. Mr. Swarthout had no survivor's or family and is considered indigent until proven otherwise.

Learning that the township has never had this situation in the past, some research was done by trustee Barb Culp. She presented to the board some surrounding communities sample indigent policies and upon reviewing these determined that Jefferson Township had the most reasonable policy and therefore, Gaylord Millard made the motion of Resolution 2018-12 to adopt the following Indigent Burial Policy for Pierpont Township that being that the township of Pierpont would pay \$750. And bury the remains of the person in Evergreen Cemetery. The \$750. Total would include any or all of the following: cremation, urn or casket, plot, headstone and/or engraving and funeral services. Trustee Barb Culp seconded the motion, the roll call vote was as follows: Robert Jackson-yes; Barb Culp-yes; Gaylord Millard-yes. Resolution passed and will be effective immediately.

Bob Jackson then made the motion to assign JP Ducro Funeral Home as the agent to handle this, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

Bob Jackson then gave the fiscal officer the name and contact phone number of the morgue to inform them of our policy and also to notify JP Ducro Funeral Home so that they could begin the process of claiming Mr. Swarthout.

There being no further business, Robert Jackson made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

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Bttle Brent
FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L. Jackson
CHAIRMAN

Held

Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held May 1, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Randy Williams and Wayne Hicks and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order. *The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.*

Lois Morton updated everyone in attendance that the Pierpont Revitalization Committee will be meeting tomorrow evening and that the current members are Duane & Kim Marcy, Marty Holden and Cameron Wright. One of the trustees will be attending also.

Under Old Business, It was reported that the new LED scrolling sign has been delivered and is being totally paid for by a NOPEC grant, of which the fiscal officer reported that all the paperwork submitted appears to be in order and a disbursement will be made soon by them totaling the full amount applied for, that being \$2,135.00.

Robert Jackson informed everyone that it appears we won't be able to get any asphalt grindings this year as there are none to be had. He mentioned that our state rep, John Patterson, is working on some legislation that would allow local communities to acquire these grindings before offering them to outsiders.

Discussion was then held about the burnt out house located at 5541 S.R. 167 and trustees all agreed that it would be a good idea to try and acquire it and have our fire dept. take care of finishing the demo, clean it up and offer it for resale. Trustee Barb Culp then made the motion to adopt a resolution 2018-13 to purchase the blighted property located at 5541 S.R. 167 from the Ashtabula County Land Bank for the purchase price of \$1,000. And court costs with the township being responsible for the demo and cleaning up of the property and offer it for resale. Robert Jackson seconded the motion, all voted as follows: Gaylord Millard-yes; Robert Jackson-yes; Barb Culp-yes. Resolution passed.

Robert Jackson then informed everyone in attendance about the recent emergency meeting that was held to discuss the death of indigent township resident, Bill Swarhout. The board passed a resolution 2018-12 that would cover any indigent township resident's burial expenses with a limit of \$750. JP Ducro Funeral Home has been the agent assigned to take care of him and we plan on burying his ashes on top of his mother's grave in Evergreen Cemetery. Her headstone has room at the bottom to have Bill's information engraved.

Barb Culp reported that the burn permits that have been applied for should be received in the mail later this week and that she has recently learned that there has been a more substantial offer made to the Port Authority by another entity on the Jamboree Foods parcel. Regarding the parcel next door to our townhall, she has learned that it has passed the historical survey waiver process and that there remains an asbestos inspection. After the asbestos inspection the Land Bank will need to get a grant to demolish it. She was told that we could go ahead and use the property in the meantime, but Bob Jackson responded that it's not ours yet so we won't be using it until we have ownership.

Under New Business, it was reported that David Hoover and his son, Grady, worked this past Sunday, taking down the large old tree in the front yard. Trustee Bob Jackson was here with them and they told him that there was no charge, they were donating their services. Gaylord Millard then made the motion to send them a thank you card along with a donation of \$100., Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor, the fiscal officer will pick up a card and mail out the card and check to them this week.

Bob Jackson then reported that we will be needing some bank run gravel from Thompson's for our upcoming projects. It was also reported that trustees Barb Culp and Bob Jackson, along with the fiscal officer, Bette Brent, attended the Ashtabula County Township Associations' recent meeting and took in several workshops that were held.

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Bob Jackson also reported that we have received a formal letter from the EPA informing us of their decision to deny our tying in to next door. Cameron Wright's septic system.

Discussion was then held on acquiring a cement mixer for the cemetery to use for the footers and all trustees agreed on the necessity of having one and doing the footers as the orders came in. Barb Culp noted there are a lot of stones that are leaning and will need to be re-set. Bob Jackson made the motion to purchase a cement mixer, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor. Bob Jackson will take care of finding one. Trustee Culp then commented that the cemetery looks much better and that she had a small crew help her that morning clean up and that Ryan had already started mowing it Monday night. Cameron Wright then asked if we had any plans on replacing any of the trees at the cemetery and Gaylord Millard told him that the trees are actually a problem. Lois Morton then added that some shade trees give a cemetery a nice peaceful atmosphere and that she could probably get some people to donate towards some that would be more substantial when planted. Lois and Cameron both agreed that the newer section is really lacking in greenery and they hoped that some thought would be done before doing any planting.

It was reported that spring clean-up day went well but wasn't as well attended as last year, most likely due to the change of the usual weekend being the last one of April. Barb Culp mentioned that we maybe should advertise it with more signs and possibly use our new LED sign next year.

Resident Pam Hudson then asked the board if there was some way the residents could view the payments being made by the township and the fiscal officer responded that she could print out a monthly payment register report and have it on the sign-in table for all to look at.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

Ash. Co. Bldg. Dept.	\$103.	W.Hicks	\$472.50
R.Williams	997.50	TV Liquidator	1,970.
Ash. Co. Bldg. Dept.	50.50	Ash. Co. Bldg. Dept.	50.50
Ash. Co. Health Dept.	60.	Ash. Co. Health Dept.	60.
W.Hicks	120.	R.Williams	1,107.75
R.Jackson	780.	G.Millard	780.
B.Culp	780.	R.Rea	125.
B.Brent	1,166.73	Sunburst Env.	45.75
Office Depot	75.31	JR Lumber	43.51
North East Fire Prot.	109.50	Illum. Co.	160.87
Ash. Co. LRC	1,468.39	TSC	77.87
G & J Septic	300.	R.Sardella	187.
Centerra	1,849.20	Stan Hofka & Son	902.20
Williams-Ducro Funeral	750.		
TOTAL		\$14,593.08	

There being no further business, Barb Culp made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

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B. Brent
FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L. Jackson
CHAIRMAN

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Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held May 15, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Randy Williams and Wayne Hicks and several township residents. After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order. *The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.*

Under Old Business, the fiscal officer presented the board with the Resolution for the renewal of the 5 year 3 mill Road and Bridge levy for the submission to the electors received from the Prosecutor's office. Barbara Culp made the motion to adopt the resolution as presented, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted as follows: Gaylord Millard-yes; Barbara Culp-yes; Robert Jackson-yes. Resolution passed. The fiscal officer will take the completed resolution along with the certificate to the Board of Elections, along with copies of the original resolution of necessity and the Auditor's certificate of estimated property tax revenue to be filed for the upcoming November 6th, 2018 election.

The fiscal officer reported that she has received two quotes one being for \$900. And the other in the amount of \$1,750. for the commercial appraisal of our property located at 161 S.R. 7. After reviewing the proposals trustees decided that it would not be beneficial to spend monies on an appraisal due to the fact there are only 5.036 acres and decided on a minimum bid of \$12,500. Would be a fair return on our original purchase price totaling \$9,555.76. Chairman Robert Jackson made the motion to forego an appraisal and put the property up for sealed bid with a minimum of \$12,500. With the bids to be opened at the regular June 19th, 2018 meeting beginning at 6:30pm and stipulating that the buyer will assume any and all costs associated with this purchase, submitting the bid in a sealed envelope and with the board of township trustees reserving the right to accept any and all bids, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. The fiscal officer will contact the Free Press and the Gazette newspapers to have this legal notice ad published two consecutive weeks as soon as possible.

Lois Morton then addressed the attendees with a report on the Revitalization Committee's recent meeting of May 2, 2018. She reported that they would like to do a survey of township residents but are looking at ways on how to pay for it. Also, they are working on identifying key infrastructures to improve. She noted that the committee has gotten many phone calls from people stemming from the recent newspaper article, with some offering ideas. Their next meeting is scheduled for sometime during the 1st week of June.

The director of the Andover Public Library, Karen Dewey, was in attendance and wanted to thank everyone in the Pierpont community for their support of the recent library levy issue which passed.

Robert Jackson reported that no word has been received from Ducro's regarding Bill Swarthout's remains. He also mentioned that we are hauling in bank gravel to have on hand.

Barb Culp reported that regarding the house next door to the townhall, Janice Switzer informed her that the asbestos inspection was completed today and that there may be enough funds left over from the grant of \$25,000. For the demolition of the house to fund a fence along the front of that parcel only and that they are required to remove the existing driveway, but will leave us the materials. Janice should know something possibly by the end of the week.

It was reported that we have received the permits to demolish and burn both properties applied for, those being 5541 S.R. 167 and 1848 Stanhope-Kelloggsville Rd. The Stanhope-Kelloggsville house is scheduled to be burned down on May 29 and June 5th for the Rt. 167 house. Robert Jackson made the motion to send a thank you card to Stan Hofka & Sons for the donation of their machine which Bob Jackson used to take down the remaining burned out house and have it ready for the Pierpont Volunteer Fire Dept.

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to finish. Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, the fiscal officer will take care of sending them a card.

Under New Business, Barb Culp reported that Ryan is doing a great job keeping up at the cemetery and that she would like to have a committee formed specifically for the cemetery and invited anyone interested to join her. She mentioned that there are some headstones that are falling over or leaning, and that we will be using our new cement mixer to try to do some repairs over there as time allows. She mentioned that she will be over there tomorrow putting up the flags on the veteran's graves getting ready for the upcoming Memorial Day parade and services. Gaylord Millard noted that they should take a look at a couple of pine trees that are half dead over there and will need to be taken down eventually. Trustee Culp mentioned that shrubbery eventually covers the headstones and shouldn't be planted and that she will contact David Hoover regarding the removal of the pines.

Bob Jackson then informed everyone that it would be nice to have one large building constructed at the cemetery approximately 20' x 40' with one side to house all the groundskeeping equipment and the other side to serve as a chapel for funeral services. He learned that Sidley's have some half blocks that have been taken off of their inventory for 50cents a piece and that it would cost around \$1,000. For the building and would welcome any donations towards this.

Robert Jackson then reported that he has 4 problem areas that he would like to see done soon those being 1) Removing stumps on the right-of-ways on Lewis Rd. and that he will need to contact Hofka's to rent their equipment to do so 2) Turner Rd. east of Mechling's needs to be tiled 3) Caine Rd. both hills need taken back, one being by the first bridge off Rt. 7 and the other one by the covered bridge 4) Stateline Rd. needs some work near Rt. 198. He mentioned that our state rep John Patterson is currently working on getting some legislation passed that would allow rural townships' priority to acquire asphalt grindings noting that it's taxpayers money that initially paid for this.

Robert Jackson also mentioned that he is currently welding a frame for the new LED scrolling sign for the townhall and hopes to have it up by Memorial Day.

Jackie
Graham Rd. Resident ~~Kathy~~ Rodriguez then addressed the board stating that she had some questions, those being that there has been logging up there and that the logging company is tearing the road up and doing some burning almost every day. She reported that she called the EPA and asked them when we can burn. Al Williams, a fireman in attendance, informed everyone that the rule currently is no burning from 6am to 6pm. She then asked the board if they could clean up the frontage along their property at 6483 Graham Rd. saying that one side of the road and her yard is a marsh. Bob responded that he and the roadman will take a look at it in the morning.

Barb Culp then informed everyone that the Ladies Fire Dept. Auxiliary will be having an ice cream social on June 10th and that there will also be a flag burning ceremony done by the local Cub & Boy Scout groups.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

D.Hoover	\$100.00	Admar Const	\$1,250.
W.Hicks	330.	Wal-Mart	11.65
R.Williams	840.	W.Hicks	600.
R.Williams	840.	Tractor Supply	369.98
JR Lumber	384.72	PennOhio	1,608.60
Carrot-Top	307.28	Illum. Co.	267.50
Windstream	112.26	Dominion	117.78
Jefferson Auto	620.04	PVFD	36,650.
	TOTAL		\$44,409.81

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There being no further business, Barb Culp made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

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B. Bunt

Bette Bunt
FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L. Jackson
CHAIRMAN

Held

Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held June 5, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Rich Rea, Randy Williams, Wayne Hicks and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. *The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.*

Under Old Business:

The Fiscal Officer reported the following:

- 1) that we have received the first NOPEC grant totaling \$250.
- 2) We are still awaiting the disbursement of the \$2,135. For the LED sign which should be received by mid-June
- 3) That she has filed the 3 mill Road and Bridge levy papers with the Board of Elections on Friday, June 1, 2018.

Lois Morton reported the following:

- 1) Update on the Revitalization Committee's activity and informed everyone that they have completed a listing of all township businesses and presented a map indicating the various locations. There are approximately 40-45 total local businesses in the township.
- 2) That they are currently working on a survey that they would like to mail out to all local residents but will need help in the areas of purchasing postage and other supplies to do so.
- 3) Mentioned that she recently attended a meeting with the County Commissioners with the USDA Rural Development representative and found it very interesting. They addressed the fact that many communities are in need of broadband services and that Commissioner Kathryn Whittington is heading up that area of concern and that they would like a trustee of each locality to be involved.

Rich Rea, our zoning inspector, reported the following:

- 1) that he is still getting inquiries about cell tower regulations of which he informs them that we do not have any restrictions on them.
- 2) that he has gotten some calls regarding appraisals
- 3) He recently received an email from the County Building Dept. inquiring if we have any requirements for a zoning approval prior to the start of the demolition of a structure in the township and that they were compiling a list of those communities that do require a zoning permit in order to speed up the application process. Rich informed them that no, we do not have any regulations requiring zoning approval to do so.
- 4) That the property located at 201 S.R. 7 has been taken care of

Bob Jackson reported the following:

- 1) That all 3 county commissioners attended our Memorial Day Parade
- 2) That he had the county game warden come out and inspect the residence next door to the post office and the warden found nothing wrong with their enclosure but noted that they have wolves which fall under the jurisdiction of the Federal Government and that we would have to contact them if we wanted to pursue this. Resident Cheri Hoover commented that would it be possible to create an ordinance to zone them out and our zoning inspector responded that he will check with the Prosecutor's office on this.
- 3) that both houses are down and that the Holcomb structure has been burnt down by the Fire Dept. and hopes to have the structure at 5541 S.R. 167 taken care of this week.
- 4) That the stumps on Lewis Rd. along the right of ways are out; the cross-pipe has been done on Caine & Graham Rds.; the Caine Rd. hills and Turner Rd. have been done;
- 5) Bank run has been hauled in.
- 6) A small private service and burial of Bill Swarthout's ashes was held last Friday, June 1, 2018 at Evergreen Cemetery with about 10 friends in attendance and he

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was buried on top of his mother's grave and we will be taking care of having the engraving done by the memorial company on her headstone.

- 7) That he was able to scrap out some old v-plows we had laying around no longer being used and was able to use the proceeds to purchase the half blocks for the future new cemetery building. He will contact the Vo-Ed school in the fall and see if the masonry students could possibly lay the block for us.

Barb Culp reported the following:

- 1) That the new LED scrolling sign is up and working and that she will be putting local community events on it.
- 2) That 5 cemetery footers were recently done
- 3) That 95% of the people she spoke with were happy about the condition of the cemetery for Memorial Day
- 4) That she will be forming and holding the first meeting of a Cemetery Committee on June 11, 2018 at 6:30pm here at the townhall and all are invited to attend and share their ideas
- 5) She spoke with David Hoover about taking a look at the trees at the cemetery that might need to be taken down.
- 6) That there has been no asbestos report yet on the property next door to the townhall and no word on the old Swift's property owned by the Port Authority, which Bob Jackson responded that they are waiting on money.

Under New Business, Bob Jackson brought up the fact that the approach at Creek and Pennline Rds. needs to be changed and he would like the County Engineer to survey the area. He reported that he learned that the County Commissioners own .39 acres to the North of the approach and that we could possibly acquire this from them. Trustees asked the fiscal officer to see if we held any deed on this small parcel that might have been from years back. She responded that she didn't recall seeing anything on this but will check the files.

Barb Culp reported that over the weekend there were 2 overdoses on drugs up at Horner's Woods, noting that it is currently not open to the public. The Fire Dept. and deputy sheriff were called. She suggested that we might open the gate to the public for use and will look into it further. Gaylord Millard reported that we need to have it mowed with Bob Jackson adding that brush will need to be cleared and he would like to get a quote on the timber there and possibly have it harvested. Barb Culp mentioned that she has had some contact with someone to brush hog it. Resident Cheri Hoover then asked if they would consider asking the Metro Parks to get involved. Bob Jackson responded that he will try to contact Nate Paskey on this.

Barb Culp then proposed an amendment to the Employee's Policy that being that on non-work days township employees are not permitted to use township equipment. Exceptions would occur if the employee is called out to work by a trustee. No vote was taken.

Bob Jackson then brought up the property on the corner of Rt. 7 and Marcy Rd., also known as the yellow building and is concerned that it is a safety hazard and that it's time to move on it, that the County Building Dept. did not do a thorough review when inspecting it. He suggested that our zoning inspector, Rich Rea, contact the County Prosecutor's office to see if we can get someone inside to inspect it. He noted that there are Ohio Revised Code Sections that deal with this and he made the motion to pass a resolution to use those ORC tools to go forward with this matter, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted as follows: Gaylord Millard-yes; Barb Culp-yes; Robert Jackson-yes.

There was also a complaint voiced about the property on Rt. 7 south of town, formerly known as the Twins Inn, with several boats and junk vehicles accumulating and trustee Barb Culp suggested that we table it for now and deal with the current issues at hand.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

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Pyma. Valley Band	\$200.	W.Hicks	\$502.50
R.Williams	966.	R.Williams	966.
W.Hicks	615.	Lowe's	79.28
Lowe's	32.73	B.Culp	780.
R.Jackson	780.	G.Millard	780.
R.Rea	125.	R.Sardella	693.
B.Brent	1166.73	Med.Mutual	370.30
R.Williams	840.	W.Hicks	562.50
Sunburst Env.	45.75	Millers Free Press	107.80
Illum. Co.	152.46	Cons. Constr.	87.
Centerra	\$1995.64	Pyma. Chmbr.	25.00
B.Culp	34.50	Fred Mallory	67.24
Illum. Co.	267.50	Online Stores	102.42
Hofka & Son	4925.		
	TOTAL		\$17,269.35

There being no further business, Gaylord Millard made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

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B. Brent

Bette Brent
FISCAL OFFICER

Robert D. Johnson
CHAIRMAN

Held

Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held June 19, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Rich Rea, Randy Williams, and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. *The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.*

Under Old Business:

The Fiscal Officer began the meeting with the opening of the two bids received for the land for sale, that being 161 S.R. 7. The first bid was for \$13,001. Submitted by Pat & Bev Holden and the second bid was received from Lynn Williams for \$12,758.58. Robert Jackson made the motion to accept the high bid of \$13,001. From Pat & Bev Holden, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed, bid accepted and the fiscal officer will notify the County Prosecutor's office and have them prepare the sales agreement.

Lois Morton reported the following:

- 1) That she and her committee have mailed out approximately 632 surveys to Pierpont residents and that they still have the out-of-town landowners to address and mail. She reported that so far they have had a 20% return rate with two more weeks to go and commented that there have been some very thoughtful comments expressed.

Rich Rea, our zoning inspector, reported the following:

- 1) He handed out a copy of a letter to the trustees from Janice Switzer from the County stating that she has some concerns about the township's aggressive demolition and burning of buildings and had attached a flyer regarding the burning of structures. She also noted that concerning the building at 18 S.R. 7 there is not much that can be done at the moment and made some suggestions to further the cause. Trustee Barb Culp then added that Todd Nagy, the head of the County Building Dept. had re-inspected the yellow building at 18 S.R. 7 and found that there is a hole in the roof and that he will be sending the owner a certified letter requesting that the owner prove that the building is safe—noting that the owner has the burden of proof and will give him 10 days to respond. Todd will send us a copy of the letter he will be sending and keep us informed of any further responses and actions taken.
- 2) That he has posed the question to the County Prosecutor's office regarding the wolves being housed at a local residence and Bob Jackson responded that he has learned that in Ohio wolves are legal if they have been obtained from a certified breeder, of which these apparently were and their enclosures were adequate.

Bob Jackson reported the following:

- 1) That he spoke with Luke Walters, a state forester, about the timber up on Horner's Woods and will arrange to have him meet us up there and take a look at the potential timber harvesting and guide us as to what we need to do. Barb Culp then added that she has called Larry Furman with the Metro Parks and will meet with him to have some preliminary talks regarding Horner's Woods.

Barb Culp reported the following:

- 1) That the Cemetery committee met on June 11 and there were approximately 6-7 people in attendance. They discussed the current condition of the cemetery and the fact that there are several issues that need to be addressed such as tombstones falling over, trees needing taken down which they will work on getting a quote to do, holes in the ground, the lack of a flagpole and doing some repair work on the Soldier's Monument. The next meeting will be held on July 9th.

Under New Business, Bob Jackson reported that our part-time road assistant, Wayne Hicks, recently left us, and found work elsewhere. He reported that he had asked local resident Ben Richcreek if he would be interested in some part-time work and Ben told him no. He then asked local resident in attendance, Tom Lamson, what his work schedule was and Tom replied that he works about 5 hrs. a day, but when asked if he had

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Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held July 3, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Randy Williams and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. *The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.*

Under Old Business:

Lois Morton reported the following:

- 1) That so far she has received 191 responses to the survey that was mailed out which works out to an approximate return rate of almost 30% and stated that she was very pleased and impressed that so many took the time to fill them out and contained some very thoughtful comments. She will soon be doing an analysis and create a PDF file that will be published on our township website. She also presented a beautiful wood frame created by Fred Mallory to display the map of our local businesses on. Trustees asked the fiscal officer to please send Fred a thank you note.

Barb Culp reported the following:

- 1) That a letter has been sent by our building inspector Todd Nagy to the owner of the yellow building, a Mr. Clyde, and is now awaiting a response from him.
- 2) That she met with Luke Walters, a state forester, up at Horner's Woods and he informed her that there is a lot of work to be done prior to any harvesting of timber and that he will help us in the selection of the timber and marketing it. He told her that it would take at least a year before we could expect to be ready to put it out for bid.
- 3) Informed everyone that there will be a symposium regarding timber management to be held at Holden Arboretum on Sept. 29 and that she will plan on attending.
- 4) Informed the board that according to the agreement with Mr. Horner and the Board when it was deeded over that all proceeds from any timber harvesting must be deposited into a special account and may only be used in connection with the preservation and improvement of the forest grounds.
- 5) Mentioned that there will be a cemetery meeting held Monday evening at 6pm.
- 6) That in the event our township isn't included in the County's recycling program startup we could possibly do our own. She and the roadman travelled to one of the County's outposts to view some old recycling containers. She spoke with County Commissioner Casey Koczlowski who informed her that once these containers are labelled obsolete we could possibly acquire them. She will be doing some research to try and find someone to buy the materials and haul it away before we commit to this. Also, she will be looking for volunteers to sit on Saturdays, adding that it won't happen this year.

Bob Jackson reported the following:

- 1) That the wolves living next door to the Post Office had gotten loose this past weekend and that the sheriff and dog warden were called and they had gotten them back.

Under New Business, Barb Culp brought up the fact that since taking office only about 50' of Lewis Rd. has had any work done on it and she's not happy with the progress. She called the State of Ohio to get information on the bidding processes and companies participating so that we could start looking for some piece of equipment that would allow us to do the needed work on our roads. Bob Jackson added that the Gradall purchased last year for \$15,000. Was good for cleaning ditches but not building new ones. The roadman added that it's leaking oil in several places and that it wouldn't make it trying to complete Lewis Rd. It was also mentioned that Hofka's charge around \$20,000. A mile and we can't afford to do that. Bob Jackson then presented a quote he received from Southeastern Equipment for a new Kobelco SK140SR Excavator in the amount of \$143,720.15 that comes with a 3 yr. warranty. He explained that it could be hauled with a tag trailer which we could pull behind our dump truck. The salesman

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provided the information on the necessary resolution we would need to pass in order to enroll in the State of Ohio's Purchasing Program. The fee for our township would amount to \$100. Barb Culp made the motion to enroll in the DAS, Bob Jackson seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. Southeastern offers two options for purchasing this. Bob Jackson then added that he would like to table it for now in order for everyone to have time to review all of the information.

It was then reported that the last $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ mi. section at the end of Anderson Rd. which is Denmark Township, had some material put down containing some oversized rocks. It was suggested that we call them and ask them that if they supply the stone we will go get it and put it down in the future as this affects many of our township residents.

The fiscal officer then presented the board with our renewal of the township's liability insurance for 2019 with OTARMA and after reviewing the items and values listed Gaylord Millard made the motion to accept it as presented with no changes, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor. The fiscal officer mentioned that the premium will be locked in for three years at \$6,584. And that we will be receiving a refund from their Capital Distribution Fund in the amount of \$418.01 within the next 60 days.

The fiscal officer then informed trustees that we have received a refund of 85% of our Workers Comp premium paid this year amounting to \$1,597.64.

The following bills were presented for payment & approved...
There being no further business, Barb Culp made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, meeting adjourned and the budget hearing was called to order by chairman Robert Jackson.

The fiscal officer presented trustees with the proposed budget for the upcoming 2019 fiscal year and having reviewed each fund and the projected carryovers, estimated revenues and expenditures, Gaylord Millard made the motion to adopt the budget for 2019 as presented, Robert Jackson seconded the motion, the vote was as follows: Gaylord Millard-yes; Barb Culp-yes; Robert Jackson-yes; resolution adopted, budget was approved. The fiscal officer will take the required three copies to the Auditor's office to be filed prior to July 20, 2018.

At that point, Barb Culp made the motion to adjourn the budget hearing, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all in favor, the budget hearing was adjourned.

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FISCAL OFFICER*Robert L Jackson*
CHAIRMAN

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The following bills were presented for payment as follows:

W.Hicks	\$15.	R.Williams	\$840.
Med. Mutual	370.30	R.Williams	840
Gazette News.	99.39	Star-Beacon	22.70
Millers Free Press	24.25	Jefferson Auto	22.09
JR Lumber	1290.07	Bortnick's	56.95
Pyma-Tuning	228.54	JR Lumber	155.52
OTARMA	6,584.	G & J Septic	300.
Sunburst Env.	45.75	Illum. Co.	174.24
B.Brent	1,166.73	B.Culp	780.
R.Jackson	780.	G.Millard	780.
R.Rea	125.	R.Sardella	616.
Centerra	38.58	PVFD	472.11
Treas. Of State	100.		
		TOTAL	\$15,925.42

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Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held July 17, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were Zoning Inspector Rich Rea, roadman Randy Williams and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. *The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.*

Under Old Business: the sales agreement between Pat and Bev Holden and Pierpont Township for the purchase of land located at 161 S.R. 7 consisting of 5.036 acres for \$13,001.00 was presented for signatures and notarizing. Prior to signing the Holden's informed the board that they had the prosecutor's office change the purchaser to their investment group titled Twilight Investments and were advised to have the trustees make a motion to amend the original resolution thereby changing the purchaser to Twilight Investments in place of Patrick and Beverly Holden, therefore Barbara Culp made the motion to amend said original resolution to reflect the change, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion adopted. All parties then proceeded to sign the Sales Agreement and accompanying Quit Claim Deed and both were notarized. The Holden's daughter, Vicki Miller, who is a real estate agent, will be handling the title conveyances and recording of documents.

Robert Jackson reported that regarding Horner's Woods lumber prices are high now and that we should do something now. Trustee Barb Culp added that the trees to be harvested need to be marked by a state forester and that she had received a list of consultants from the forester who met with her. Bob Jackson then mentioned that local resident Paul Mechling's son, Noah, is a licensed forester with the state and would like to contact him to see what he would charge to do the selecting of the trees. Bob will contact Noah. It was mentioned that the bid should state this is for Timber Stand Improvement.

Barb Culp reported the following:

1) That she and the roadman went to Southeastern Equipment up in Mentor to look at the Kobelco Excavator. Bob Jackson made the case that we can't afford to keep hiring outside contractors to do the ditching needed and that purchasing our own machine would allow us to continue and eventually the machine would pay for itself adding that we have 27 mi. of road ditch which works out to 54 mi. of ditch in the township. Gaylord Millard asked if we were going to trade in the Gradall and Bob responded that it would be more valuable to keep it as it moves at 55 mph and in case of emergency, if the excavator is on site, we could take the Gradall. Gaylord then asked how are we going to haul it and Bob replied that we can use a trailer behind our dump trucks or possibly eventually purchase one, with used ones going for around \$8,000., but for now we will have to hire it to be moved, adding that moves are approximately \$100. A move. Resident Al Williams then asked the board if this model excavator was big enough to do everything we need to do and Bob responded that yes, we are trying to stay frugal but still get enough machine to do the job. After this discussion, Barb Culp made the motion to adopt a resolution to join the Ohio DAS Co-op Purchasing program, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, the vote was as follows: Gaylord Millard-yes; Barb Culp-yes; Robert Jackson-yes Resolution passed. The fiscal officer will send in the enrollment paperwork. At this point, Barb Culp made the motion to adopt a resolution 2018-15 to purchase one 2018 Kobelco SK140SRLC-5 Excavator with Hydraulic Coupler, a 60" Ditch Cleaning and Grade Bucket, a 36" Heavy Duty Plate Lip Bucket and Bucket pins from Southeastern Equipment for \$143,720.15 with a down payment totaling \$14,402.01 and financing \$129,618.14 for five years with annual payments of \$29,148.47; Robert Jackson seconded the motion, the vote was as follows: Gaylord Millard-no; Barb Culp-yes; Robert Jackson-yes. Resolution adopted. Bob Jackson will contact Southeastern Equipment and inform them of the decision to purchase.

2) That the house next door is on a list to be demolished with 3 others and the bid was awarded to Capp Steel. She was told that assignments of scheduled demolitions will be made next week.

3) That Todd Nagy, County Building Chief, has sent a certified letter to the owner of the yellow building in town and is awaiting a response.

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- 4) She then asked the board if we should send Denmark Township a letter regarding the section of Anderson Rd. under their jurisdiction to see if we could come to some agreement on the maintenance and the board decided no, Bob Jackson will call them and that it appears that the large stone has been taken care of and that the rip-rapp was not intended to be part of the material they put down that caused the problem.
- 5) That she is still looking for recycling containers and heard that next Tuesday the County Commissioners may declare the existing containers they own to be obsolete, so they may be available to us.

UNDER NEW BUSINESS, Barb Culp reported the following:

- 1) That Lois of the Revitalization Committee has compiled the results of the recent survey and would like to hold a special community meeting to present them. Barb Culp then made the motion to hold the township's regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2018 6:30pm at the Fire Dept.s Red Building and upon the adjournment of the regular meeting, Lois could make her presentation, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. The fiscal officer will make sure the Star-Beacon is notified of the change in location for that meeting.
- 2) That she spoke with our roadman, Randy about the need for our hiring of a truck driver with a CDL and he suggested that we could possibly have a few of the county road dept. workers fill in on their vacation times as they all have CDLs and are already trained.

Robert Jackson reported the following:

- 1) Brought up the fact that medical cards are required if you have a CDL and that there is a \$1,000. Fine involved if you don't have one. Barb Culp made the motion to pay for and make an appointment with local provider, Paul Thompson, for our roadman, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.
- 2) That we may be able to get asphalt grindings soon but would need to hire a couple more dump trucks in order to get it all. Bob Jackson made the motion to hire a couple dump trucks for the hauling, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.
- 3) The wolves next door to the post office are still a problem and if anyone can prove abuse they will come and get them.
- 4) That no applications were received for the part-time position for our road dept. One person had inquired about the hours expected to be worked and couldn't be given anything exact but had asked to keep him in mind. That being said trustees will need to re-visit the situation after we get our new machine. Robert Jackson mentioned that he has spoken with a person recently retired that might consider it.

The fiscal officer reported the following:

- 1) That the budget for fiscal year 2019 has been filed.
- 2) That the 3 mill road and bridge levy language has been approved by the Secretary of State for the upcoming November election.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

R. Williams	\$840.	Centerrra	\$729.82
Lowe's	51.84	R. Williams	871.50
Windstream	115.92	Illum. Co.	275.96
Bortnick's	21.80	Dominion	64.94
Stan Hofka & Son	1,680.	Jefferson Auto	102.26
Lenox Equipment	79.20		

TOTAL \$4,833.24

There being no further business, Gaylord Millard made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Robert Jackson seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

O.R.C. 5705.41

Bette Burt
Bette Burt
FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L. Jackson
Robert L. Jackson
CHAIRMAN

Held

Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held August 7, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were roadman Randy Williams and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. *the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.*

Under Old Business,

Lois Morton of the Revitalization Committee reported that she would like to write up an article regarding the upcoming Sept. 4 community meeting to review the results of the recent survey with township residents and asked trustees if they would approve of her doing so and was told yes, that would be a good idea. She asked the fiscal officer if she would help her get the article in to both the Star-Beacon and the Gazette and she will do so. Resident Pam Hudson suggested that maybe the Fire Dept. could display the meeting notice on their sign.

Robert Jackson reported the following:

- 1) That we have been using the new excavator on Lewis Rd. and that the hours will be used toward matching in-kind OPWC grant monies and that this is not just a machine, but a program. Resident Pam Hudson commented that they're doing a great job and it looks good.
- 2) That he contacted Paul Mechling 3 weeks ago asking him to please have his son, Noah contact us regarding the Horner's Woods timber and he has not heard back from him yet. He will wait until the next meeting before pursuing other options.
- 3) He has spoken with 2 individuals that are interested in working part-time for the township, those being Dave Waldron, who is retired from the County, and Warren Koczowski, who would be available only on Fridays, both are operators and have CDL's. Robert Jackson then made the motion to hire both on a part-time as needed basis for road work assistance, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.
- 4) Informed everyone that we may be hauling asphalt grindings by this Friday and have some extra truckers in mind if needed, those being Ben Richcreek, Roger Butler and Hofka's.

Barb Culp reported the following:

- 1) The the carport at the cemetery has been knocked off the concrete foundation and needs to be fixed. She will take care of getting the needed supplies to do so.
- 2) She has contacted A-Tech regarding the possibility of using their students for our cemetery building project.
- 3) That the people owning the wolf have been to court and there is another court date set for 9-10-18.
- 4) That the yellow building has had some name changes
- 5) We are still waiting on Capp Steel to demolish the house next door to our townhall/garage.
- 6) That the County Commissioners have officially declared the recycling dumpsters they own to be obsolete and we can go get them whenever.

Under New Business, Robert Jackson reported that Scott Case is willing to brush hog the township property on Rt. 167 in exchange for the firewood on the property, so that being said Robert Jackson made the motion to have Scott Case brush hog the Rt. 167 property in exchange for the firewood, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed. We will need to have Scott sign a waiver of liability so that the township will not be responsible for any injuries or accidents that may occur.

The fiscal officer reported the following: That we have received our second half real estate tax settlement and that our zoning inspector has written a warning letter of a zoning violation of operating a junk yard without a license to the owner of the property, formerly known as the Twins Inn, and had the fiscal officer mail it certified with a return receipt requested.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

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R. Williams	\$840.	R. Williams	\$903.
Southeastern	14,402.01	Med. Mutual	370.30
G. Millard	780.	B. Culp	780.
R. Jackson	780.	R. Rea	125.
R. Sardella	709.50	B. Brent	1,166.73
R. Williams	918.75	Premier Truck	750.
Sunburst Env.	45.75	Bortnick	537.61
Ash. Co. Engr.	61.54	Postmaster	50.
Illum. Co.	447.36	Centerra	757.54
Dominion	63.94	Dollar Gen.	29.89
TOTAL	\$24,518.92		

There being no further business, Barb Culp made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Gaylord Millard seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

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Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held August 21, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were roadman Randy Williams and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. *The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.*

Under Old Business, Lois Morton of the Revitalization Committee reported the following:

- 1) That she has drafted the news release to be published in the Star-Beacon and Gazette for the upcoming Community meeting to be held on Tuesday, Sept 4, 2018 at 7:30pm to be held following the regular township meeting and will be held at the Pierpont Volunteer Fire Dept.'s red building. She will be addressing the results of the community survey and also cover two topics, those being broadband service and sewers. She informed the board that the Committee is concerned about the hardship that this may cause on residents and that the County will help find funding sources but cannot take any action until they receive a resolution from the trustees requesting them to proceed, that being said Barb Culp made the motion to adopt a resolution to request the Ashtabula County commissioners to work cooperatively with Pierpont Township to explore the concept of a sewer system for downtown Pierpont; until such time the township wishes to stop the exploration process; Robert Jackson seconded the motion, the vote was as follows:
Gaylord Millard-yes; Barb Culp-yes; Robert Jackson-yes
Resolution passed.

Robert Jackson reported the following:

- 1) That Noah Mechling had called him and has agreed to mark the trees at Horner's Woods for us and will not charge us for this.
- 2) That we have hauled asphalt grindings and have approximately 600T on hand
- 3) That our new part-time road assistant, Dave Waldron, would like \$21./hr. and comes very well-qualified with many years of experience operating heavy equipment, therefore, Barb Culp made the motion to pay him \$21./hr, Robert Jackson seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.

Barb Culp reported the following:

- 1) That we still have not received proof of delivery of our warning letter regarding the zoning violation by Paul Staudacher, owner on record of the parcel formerly known as the Twins Inn on Rt. 7.

Under New Business, Robert Jackson then brought up the fact that many work-related injuries are due to "slips, trips & falls." He would like to start a safety program policy here and would like to have Randy clean out the workshop/garage and get everything off of the floor.

Barb Culp mentioned that she and resident Helen Mallory are working on getting a list of all past township trustees and clerks and will be creating some sort of permanent record to be displayed in the township's meeting room. We learned that the township was officially formed with a separate board in 1818 and they are looking for any and all historical information to complete this.

The fiscal officer then informed trustees of the following:

- 1) that due to the purchase of our new excavator and the fact that we encumbered a loan to purchase this, these loan proceeds increased our 2018 fiscal year budget to \$593,158.92 which put trustees and fiscal officer into the next level of pay. She had requested the County Auditor to amend our current certificate of resources reflecting the increase of \$129,618.14 of loan proceeds into the Road and Bridge Fund and that they did so and issued it dated July 31, 2018. Barb Culp made the motion to increase the trustees' and fiscal officers' pay accordingly with the compensation permitted by ORC505.24 and 507.09

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effective for the month of August 2018 through the end of Dec. 2018, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed unanimously.

- 2) That we had Scott Case sign a waiver of liability
- 3) That she has applied for the remaining monies available to us through the OTARMA MORE grant.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

TSC	\$85.38	R.Williams	\$1,155.
B.Brent	133.02	R.Williams	855.75
Wal-Mart	9.45	AGS	75.
JRLumber	89.83	State Rd. Occ.	140
Windstream	113.23	G & J Septic	200.
Ash.Co.Cov.B.	140.	Centerra	43.43
Centerra	12.12		
TOTAL		\$3,052.21	

There being no further business, Robert Jackson made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Gaylord Millard seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

O.R.C. 5705.41

Bette Brent
Bette Brent
 FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L Jackson
 CHAIRMAN

Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held Sept. 4, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session at the Pierpont Township's Fire Dept. red building with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were roadman Randy Williams and several township residents, County Commissioners JP Ducro and Casey Kozlowski, and Nate Shipman from State Senator Sean O'Brien's office. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. *The minutes Eli Kalil of the last meeting were read and approved.*

Chairman Robert Jackson opened the meeting by asking township residents if they had any concerns or comments before getting into old business. The following comments were:

- 1) Question asked who is the new road assistant? Robert Jackson responded he is Dave Waldron and comes with 30 yrs. Experience and is retired from the County.
- 2) Question was property abandoned/sold on Rt. 7 S.? Gaylord Millard responded that the intention at the time of purchase was to build a new garage and meeting hall location, but later we were able to acquire the Elementary School's old bus garage.
- 3) Question asked when were we going to mow Turner Rd. that it looks awful. Robert Jackson responded that we will talk about that tonite. *Switzer's old property*
- 4) Question who is responsible for mowing that? Response was that the Port Authority owns it and we could contact them. Robert Jackson responded that when we get caught up with the roads, if they haven't mowed it yet we could possibly do it and bill them. The suggestion was made by Barb Culp that we could possibly use some volunteers for a day and do it.
- 5) Comment was that there is a deserted car on Anderson Rd. and was told to give our zoning inspector, Rich Rea, the address so that he may follow up. It was mentioned that property owners are permitted 2 junk cars and anything above that would constitute operating a junkyard without a permit. Paul Mechling mentioned that he was the chairman of a committee that addressed the zoning codes back in 1984 and they had come up with new codes but it never got passed. Trustee Barb Culp replied that she will look into the zoning.
- 6) Question was asked why the speed limit on Rt. 167 while approaching Rt. 7 remains 55mph and it is reduced on Rt. 7 when coming into town. Nate Shipman, an aide to State Senator Sean O'Brien's office replied that he would be happy to intercede with our local ODOT office and inform them of the situation. Barb Culp made the motion to send a letter of concern regarding this issue to both Sen. O'Brien's office and ODOT, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor. The fiscal officer will ~~also~~ send a formal request to both their offices.
- 7) Paul Mechling then asked trustees if he could have a copy of the deed and any written restrictions pertaining to Horner's Woods and was told yes. The fiscal officer will make him copies.

Under Old Business, Robert Jackson reported that he has met with Noah Mechling and Noah has agreed to mark the trees that should be removed. Resident Paul Mechling added that we should institute a "Forest Management Plan" and Robert Jackson responded that he will have Noah make those decisions. A question was asked what the status of this wooded forest is and was told that it is considered public property.

Under New Business, Barb Culp reported the following:

- 1) That we have received a quote from David Hoover for the removal of trees and stumps at the cemetery for a total of \$750. She stated that only small dwarf trees will be allowed to be planted as the roots eventually grow and damage the footers of the headstones. Gaylord Millard then made the motion to accept David Hoover's quote of \$750. For the tree and stump removal, Robert Jackson seconded the motion, all voted in favor.
- 2) That Ryan Sardella, who was mowing the cemeteries has been suspended. She reported that the lawn mowers were not used carefully and had been warned a couple of times. She suggested that we hire Steve Koivisto and Dave Carr on an

Rita Carr

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as-needed basis for \$15./hr. to finish the mowing season this year. Gaylord Millard made the motion to do so, Robert Jackson seconded the motion, all voted in favor. A comment was made that the cemetery looks 100% better.

- 3) Invited everyone to stop in and see Hall & Gould cemeteries.
- 4) Recommended that the Zoning Committee have a meeting to take a look at the current zoning codes of which Al Williams is chairman.
- 5) Informed everyone that Pierpont will not be one of the site's selected by the County for a recycling center but that we could possibly start our own and possibly have it in operation on certain Saturdays at set times. Resident Steve Gagat informed trustees that there is a surplus outfit called HGR which has these bins very cheap.

Robert Jackson then reported the following:

1) That the current 300 gal. fuel tanks we have are too small for our current needs and we are having Centerra come every two weeks to fill so we avoid running out. He contacted Centerra to see about getting some larger, double walled tanks and was told that Centerra doesn't deal in tanks any longer. He mentioned that Orwell Gas will give us any size tank we want. He is considering 2 500 gallon double walled tanks, or 1 1,000 gal. tank using only diesel fuel and just purchasing our unleaded from our local gas station as we don't use a lot of unleaded to justify a new tank. He suggested that we ask Bob Richcreek to open an account with us and buy our gas there. He mentioned that eventually he would like to see us replace the old pickup with a diesel truck anyway. Resident Lynn Williams asked the question if we would have the new tanks delivered and installed at the bus garage location and was told by Robert Jackson, yes. Barb Culp brought up the fact that sometimes the gas station runs out of gas, and that might create a problem when wanting to mow. Robert Jackson told her that we would have a couple of 5 gal. gas cans on hand in case that would happen. That being said Gaylord Millard made the motion to have Orwell Gas deliver new double walled tanks to our bus garage location and purchase our fuel from them, and open an account at Richcreek's for our unleaded gasoline, Robert Jackson seconded the motion, the vote was carried by Gaylord Millard and Robert Jackson, with Barb Culp not being in favor.

2) That since we have an extra employee available for help with the roads, he came across a 70 hp Case tractor with a 5' Alamo side mount flail mower that is on a government auction website and is currently taking bids. He said we currently have 27 miles of road to mow, which works out to 54 mi. to do both sides and that by having this mower, the flail mower would go first and the boom mower would follow and have the roadsides mowed in half the time and do a better job. Robert Jackson made the motion to have our roadman go to Chardon to take a look at it, and if it's in good shape make a bid on it with an approximate limit of \$5000. Plus a small administrative fee, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

The fiscal officer reported that the zoning warning letter sent to Paul Staudacher has been returned unclaimed and Rich Rea, our zoning inspector, will contact Catherine Colgan at the County Prosecutor's office to see what our next step might be.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

TSC	661.42	Lowe's	152.80
D. Waldron	168.	R. Williams	918.75
D. Waldron	294.	Med Mutual	370.30
R. Sardella	385.	B. Culp	827.
R. Jackson	827.	G. Millard	827.
R. Rea	125.	B. Brent	1,299.75
D. Waldron	430.50	R. Williams	840.
Office Depot	44.28	Centerra	1,436.80
Jefferson Auto	250.28	Illum. Co.	170.55
Sunburst Env.	45.75	Stan Hotka	564.

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TOTAL \$10,638.18

There being no further business, Barb Culp made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Gaylord Millard seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

O.R.C. 5705.41

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FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L. Jackson

CHAIRMAN

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Corrections made after reading of minutes. Bette Brent

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Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held Sept. 18, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session at the Pierpont Townhall with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were roadman Randy Williams and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The minutes of the last meeting were read and two corrections were noted that being the name of the representative from Sean O'Brien's office was Eli Kalil not Nate Shipman, and that both Dave and Rita Carr were hired for cemetery mowing and upkeep for the remainder of this season. That being said, the minutes were approved.

Chairman Robert Jackson opened the meeting by asking township residents if they had any concerns or comments before getting into old business. The following comments were:

- 1) Al Williams mentioned that the Fire Dept. hosted a program this past Saturday that he thought might be something that the community would enjoy in the future.
- 2) A question was asked by resident Jamie Teeter of Marcy Rd. about what the monies that might be received from timbering Horner's Woods could be used for and was told that they must only be used for the maintenance and improvements of the property. Bob Jackson then mentioned that we will be discussing this subject tonight. Jamie also mentioned that the Amish horses' shoes are tearing up the chipseal road and suggested that maybe they should be required to get license plates and have the fees go toward the upkeep. He was told that there are counties already doing just that and said its' coming; that our representative John Patterson is working on it.
- 3) Resident Pam Hudson mentioned that Lewis Rd. is looking real good and that she would like to see the weeds trimmed along the garage located behind the Fire Dept. and Barb Culp told her that she will take care of it.

Under Old Business, Bob Jackson informed everyone that he has gotten the name of Dan Castellucci, a licensed state forester, that specializes in forest management and would be able to develop a "Sustained Yield Management" program for Horner's Woods, as resident Dr. Paul Mechling had suggested during our Sept. 4th meeting. He would handle the entire bidding process, supervise the timber harvest and be paid from the proceeds in the form of a commission. A motion was made by Bob Jackson to hire Dan Castellucci to develop and manage the timber of Horner's Woods, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed.

Bob Jackson also reported the following:

- 1) That we were the high bidder for the tractor/flail mower at \$5,650. Plus a small administrative fee. The roadman reported that it runs really well, does a neater job than the boom mower and gets the job done faster. Also, they gave us a spare mower deck and miscellaneous parts to go with it.
- 2) That the fuel tanks should be delivered sometime next week.

Trustee Barb Culp reported the following:

- 1) That David Hoover has started cutting the trees at the cemetery and that she will be removing the flags soon. She also mentioned that any flowers will be trimmed back next month.
- 2) That she called HGR about the recycling bins and was told that they currently do not have any.

Under New Business, Bob Jackson reported that we are getting low on #57 stone and we should be hauling some, and Barb Culp made a motion to purchase and haul approximately 500T with the cost not to exceed \$10,000. From Pinney Dock, Gaylord Millard seconded the motion, all voted in favor. Randy and Dave will do the hauling with our own trucks. Gaylord Millard asked if we had enough slag for ice control on hand and was told that we still have a pretty good pile.

Bob Jackson then presented everyone with an idea that he would like to pursue that being contacting the EPA and applying for a permit to shred used tires adding that it may take up to a year to get the permit but could be a very valuable product that we could use

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in place of stone in some situations, Barb Culp made the motion to have the township apply for the permit, Bob Jackson seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

The fiscal officer then presented trustees with the Official Certificate of Estimated Resources received from the County's Budget Commission with the amounts projected for fiscal year 2019, and after reviewing the amounts, Gaylord Millard made the motion to adopt the Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates As Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying them to the county Auditor as presented, Barb Culp seconded the motion, the vote was as follows: Gaylord Millard-yes; Barb Culp-yes; Robert Jackson-yes; resolution passed. The fiscal officer will send the completed paperwork back to the County Auditor. It was mentioned that the County will be closing a section of Graham Rd. for a bridge replacement beginning on Sept. 24 until Dec. 3rd.

The following bills were presented for payment and approved as follows:

Home Depot	\$436.10	Lowe's	\$134.10
D. Waldron	609.	R. Williams	855.75
D. Carr	285.	S. Koivisto	147.
Geauga Co. Comm.	6,073.75	D. Waldron	346.50
R. Williams	855.75	Home Depot	133.80
Dominion	63.94	Illum. Co.	274.86
Treas. Of State	297.	PVFD	15.02
OTARMA	398.	Lenox Equip	212.19
Windstream	111.99		

TOTAL \$11,249.75

There being no further business, Barb Culp made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Gaylord Millard seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

O.R.C. 5705.41

Barb Culp
FISCAL OFFICER

Robert L. Jackson
CHAIRMAN

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Meeting of Pierpont Township trustees held Oct. 2, 2018

The Pierpont Township trustees met in regular session at the Pierpont Townhall with Gaylord Millard, Barbara Culp and Robert Jackson present. Also present were roadman Randy Williams, Zoning Inspector Rich Rea and several township residents. Chairman Robert Jackson called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Chairman Robert Jackson opened the meeting by asking township residents if they had any concerns or comments before getting into old business. The following comments were:

- 1) Lois Morton reported that the Pierpont Revitalization Committee recently held a meeting and that they are looking at acquiring broadband and fiber service providers and that a development plan will be needed for both broadband and sewer designs.
- 2) Rich Rea, the township zoning inspector commented that an AT & T cell tower will be going up farther north of town and also presented trustees with a colored map of the township's different zoning areas. Lois will try and take a picture of it so that we may include it on our website. It was noted that this has a copy date of 1985.
- 3) Pam Hudson mentioned that she is glad to see that we have our recycling bins.

Under Old Business, Robert Jackson reported the following:

- 1) that he met with Dan Castellucci, the Forester who will be developing and managing our timber harvest at Horner's Woods and comes very well recommended. Dan will handle everything and once we hire him he will be paid from the proceeds on a commission basis. A question was asked whether the tree tops will be left and was told that the logger owns the trees and will be up to them whether they leave them behind or take them. If they should leave them trustees thought it would be a good idea to issue a limited number of permits for the firewood. After discussing the particulars, a motion was made by Gaylord Millard to hire Dan Castellucci to develop a plan and manage the harvest of timber at Horner's Woods, Barb Culp seconded the motion, all voted in favor, motion passed and the contract was signed by all three trustees and will be sent back to Dan so that he may proceed.
- 2) that the approach onto Pennline Rd. off of Creek Rd. needs to be re-engineered for safety reasons. The land on the corner is currently owned by the County Commissioners and we will need to negotiate with them for this project. We then will need to ask the County Engineer's office to draw up a plan so that the elevations will allow enough room to enter both roads safely and also will need to put in a culvert at the first crossing which would most likely be a 42" concrete pipe, noting that we will have to purchase the pipe from the County and that they would install it, own it and be responsible for inspecting it. He estimates the pipe to cost around \$4-5,000. And would be a spring project. He mentioned that the adjoining landowner to the east would get the dirt.
- 3) that the recent meeting scheduled at the ODOT garage on Seven Hills was cancelled as no one showed up except for he and trustee Barb Culp. They learned that all projects are on hold until after the upcoming election. Bill Strubbe from ODOT informed trustees that the State can only take down brush on the right-of-ways and cannot go any further onto private land. He also offered to intercede about the issue of the speed limit reduction question on Rt. 167 approaching Rt. 7.
- 4) that they ran a test with the asphalt grindings we have using a screen owned by Hofka's. It will screen the grindings down to 2". Hofka's will charge us \$130./hr. to use which works out if we screen 150T it will cost .85/T or \$12.75 a truckload. Barb Culp made the motion to hire the screening machine from Hofka's at \$130./hr. with Robert Jackson seconding the motion, all voted in