# RAVENNA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2015

The Ravenna Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session at the Ravenna Township Trustee's Meeting Room, 6115 Spring Street, Ravenna, Ohio, on September 1, 2015. Trustee Hank Gibson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Roll call showed the following present: Trustees Hank Gibson, Pat Artz and Vince Coia; Fiscal Officer Gail Pittman; Department Heads Fire Chief Mark Kozak, Zoning Inspector/Liaison Jim DiPaola and Assistant Fiscal Officer Jon Summers. Road Supervisor Darrell Stephens was absent. Audience members were Robert Wolf and Attorney Chad Murdock.

A motion by Pat Artz, seconded by Hank Gibson to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of August 13, 2015. R/C: Mr. Coia, abstain; Mrs. Artz, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

The motion by Vince Coia, seconded by Pat Artz to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 18, 2015. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

Hank Gibson noted that the Special Meeting of August 27<sup>th</sup> had been cancelled and announced the correspondence book was present and available for public viewing.

A motion by Vince Coia, seconded by Pat Artz to approve payroll warrants for September 4, 2015 in the amount of \$41,012.74 and other warrants in the amount of \$25,869.12 with warrants over \$1,000.00 read aloud. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

Financial reports were reviewed from the meeting of August 18, 2015 and found to be in good order. A motion by Vince Coia, seconded by Pat Artz to accept the financial reports as presented. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

**RES #15-144** A motion by Vince Coia, seconded by Pat Artz to hire Robert Wolf as part-time Firefighter EMT at the current rate per CBA of \$10.50/hour effective immediately. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

Hank Gibson swore in Firefighter/EMT Robert Wolf.

Pursuant to R.C 121.22(g) Executive Session was requested to consult with the Attorney regarding Collective Bargaining Agreement negotiations and to discuss issues with a former employee's workers compensation claim.

A motion by Vince Coia, seconded by Pat Artz to suspend Regular session at 7:07 pm. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

A motion by Vince Coia, seconded by Pat Artz to enter into Executive session at 7:07 pm. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

Roll call showed the following present: Trustees Vince Coia, Pat Artz, Hank T. Gibson, Fiscal Officer Gail Pittman, Chad Murdock, Mark Kozak, Jim DiPaola, and Jon Summers.

A motion by Hank Gibson, seconded by Vince Coia to close Executive session at 7:27 pm. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

A motion by Hank Gibson, seconded by Vince Coia to re-enter into Regular session at 7:27 pm. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

Roll call showed the following present: Trustees Vince Coia, Pat Artz, Hank T. Gibson, Fiscal Officer Gail Pittman, Mark Kozak, Jim DiPaola, and Jon Summers.

The purpose of the Executive Session was to consult with the Attorney regarding Collective Bargaining Agreement negotiations and to discuss issues with a former employee's workers comp claim.

RES #15-145 A motion by Hank Gibson, seconded by Vince Coia to extend the existing CBA contract with IAFF 4201 until December 31, 2015. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### TRUSTEES

There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony for the flag pole dedication on Sunday, September 6, 2015 from 6-8 PM.

The sidewalk construction on Prospect is moving along.

The crack sealing is nearly done.

#### FISCAL OFFICER

Fiscal Officer Gail Pittman was present and reported the following:

Financial reports have been distributed to the Trustees and department heads in Excel spreadsheets.

Medical Mutual health insurance has sent an offer for our renewal time and Gail reviewed the highlights. The insurance committee met August 27<sup>th</sup> and is waiting for more information to schedule a follow up meeting.

## DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS ROAD DEPARTMENT

Road Supervisor Darrell Stephens was absent, Vince Coia reported the following:

This year's salt prices from the City will be\$58.23/ton.

Crack sealing on Westwood and Hallwick are complete and they are currently working in Timber Run.

The 2008 Chevy needs 4 rear tires at a cost of \$1,163.80 and needs to go to Stuver Spring to replace two rear leaf springs. PO's are on the list for both.

#### **ZONING DEPARTMENT**

Zoning Inspector/Liaison Jim DiPaola was present and reported the following:

The Board of Zoning Appeals met August 26, 2015 and granted a variance to Ravenna Moose Lodge #1234 to add 45 camping lots to their 118 acres of land on St. Rt. 14. The BZA put restrictions on hours that 4 wheel vehicles can operate and hours that live bands can perform.

#### **LIAISON**

Jim is continuing to work with Chief Kozak on Fire Department matters.

There will be a JEDD sign up meeting on September 24, 2015 from 5 PM to 7 PM. Property owners will be invited to the meeting. More information will be available at the September 15<sup>th</sup> Trustees meeting.

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#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

*Fire Chief Mark Kozak was present reported the following:* 

BearCom worked on the speaker/radio issues in the station. We purchased 3 portable radio batteries and will need to replace more.

Dispatch has been updating response procedures.

The new fire gear is in. It will all need washed before it can go into service. We don't have the capability to wash gear at our station, so Mark will take it out to be done.

Mark is working on purchasing the next round of gear and it looks like he may have enough excess funds from grant monies to purchase a gear washer which will extend the life of the gear.

We have prices on Light Blocks and will work on a getting a grant to purchase and install them.

The NIMS training work is coming along.

Mark will be out of town from September 9<sup>th</sup> through September 17<sup>th</sup>.

Surplus equipment continues to be sorted and sold.

We continue to wait on the estimate for graphics for Tanker 2418.

Squad 2412 fan was fixed; tires will need replaced before winter.

Engine 2414 has an intermittent water leak. Ohio CAT was unable to locate the source and we will continue to monitor it.

Firefighter Sagaser came back from his leave of absence and Firefighter Sessions is requesting a leave of absence.

The preconstruction meeting for the new truck will be later this month.

## NEW BUSINESS TRUSTEES

Pat has talked with the Health Department about the sewer and failing septic system problems on Genevieve Dr.

#### **FISCAL OFFICER**

**RES #15-146** A motion by Hank Gibson, seconded by Vince Coia to approve the following PO's and BC's:

- a. BC #44-2015 in the amount of \$1,000.00 for training from the General Fund.
- b. PO #187-2015 in the amount of \$3,450.00 to CTMS for IT services for 6 months from the General, Fire, Road and Zoning Funds.
- c. PO #188-2015 in the amount of \$1,400.00 to Defer Tire for tires for the 2008 Chevy Truck from the Road Fund.
- d. PO #189-2015 in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Stuver Auto Spring for rear leaf springs for the 2008 Chevy Truck from the Road Fund.

R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

Jon passed his NIMS certification and discussed the NIMS training and the testing procedures. He will be available to assist anyone needing help with registering and studying the course.

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## **AUDIENCE**

No additional comments from the audience.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion by Hank Gibson, seconded by Vince Coia to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes Mrs. Artz, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

ATTEST:		
CHAIRMAN	TRUSTEE	
FISCAL OFFICER	TRUSTEE	

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