

VERMILION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES***Record of Proceedings
Minutes to Regular Meeting Held 10/17/18***

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Charles T. Trinter.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Charles T. Trinter, Trustee; Ronald L. Dickel, Trustee; Christopher R. Decker, Trustee; Robert Kurtz, Building Official/Zoning Administrator; Tina L. Karres, Township Secretary.
Absent: Brenda J. Zsebik, Fiscal Officer; Frank R. Triana, Vermilion Township Fire Chief.

MOTION BY C. Decker, second by R. Dickel to approve minutes to regular meeting held 10/3/18 and dispense with the reading of the minutes. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Decker, yes; Motion Carried.

MOTION BY R. Dickel, second by C. Decker to accept the Treasurer's Report and Financial Packet dated 10/16/18. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Decker, yes; Motion Carried.

MOTION BY C. Decker, second by C. Trinter to approve and pay warrants 22649 through 22698 (22523 Adjustment). Warrants totaled \$188,949.80. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Decker, yes; Motion Carried.

ROAD DEPARTMENT:

Steve Young, Road Foreman, reported on the following: Heaters are hooked back up in old building; propane tank has been moved; new building is progressing nicely; battery box has been ordered for the old dump truck; and leaf machine has been serviced. Leaves will be picked up every Monday in November on Sassafras Drive.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

No audience participation.

SPEAKERS:

None present.

CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence.

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BUILDING OFFICIAL/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:

Building Official/Zoning Administrator, Robert Kurtz, reported that the new building is coming along fine. One problem did occur with the bolt patterns (anchor bolts) and the steel on a few of the steel posts were wrong, but the engineer made recommendations to correct the problem. The skeleton of the building is now up.

Mr. Kurtz gave update on propane. Ferrellgas was going to charge the township to pump what was left in the tank. Now that the gas line has been run, the propane will be used up in the tank and Ferrellgas will then be called to pick up their tank. The township will then switch over to Beck Suppliers for their fuel service needs.

Mr. Kurtz is waiting on prices to replace roof on township garage building.

Regarding tree removal on Barnes Road, Dave from Quality One Tree Service will be inspecting the area and give the township a quote. Mr. Kurtz added there were a few trees on South Frailey that need to be inspected as well. It was noted the highway department was asked but did not appear interested in aiding in the tree removal.

VERMILION TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Assistant Chief Kurtz read Chief F. Triana's report: Fire Runs between 10/1/18 – 10/16/18. EMS Runs – 21; Residential Alarm – 2; Public Assist – 1; Open Burn – 1; MVC – 2; YTD: 385 Runs.

Fire calls for September have been completed and were submitted to the State on October 5, 2018.

Thanks to all who came out to the firefighters' pancake breakfast.

Pump testing is complete. Verbal report stated there were no issues, all trucks passed. Waiting on written report from Finley Fire Equipment.

The firefighters would like to thank Girl Scout Troop 50780 for the Station Tour on October 8th. Also, thanks to Cub Scout Troop 412 for touring the fire station on October 16th. Both groups were able to see the equipment, ask many questions and had a real good time. A big "Thank You" to the Firefighters who donated their time and talent for these two groups. On November 5th, three preschool classes from the Vermilion Local School District will be given a station tour.

The Firefighters Association and Fire Department are purchasing 10 EMS Parka's for inclement weather operations. These will be of various sizes. The Fire Department will split the cost with the Association. The total cost is approximately \$2,860.00 or \$1,430.00 from each.

NORTHERN OHIO RURAL WATER REPRESENTATIVE:

None present.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Trinter announced the Erie Regional Planning Commission to be held on October 25, 2018 has been cancelled; however, that same evening, there will be a Route 6 Corridor Study Open House to be held from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Castaway Bay in Sandusky.

Trustee Decker recommended talking to the township's insurance company regarding open enrollment for employee health insurance and stated another option might be to offer Health Savings Accounts. Trustee Decker discussed the two options Traditional versus Health Savings Accounts (HSA). In the HSA's the premium is lower, but the deductible is higher versus the Traditional insurance consisting of higher premiums with lower deductibles. Mr. Kurtz stated Mrs. Zsebik, Fiscal Officer, had already been working with the state agencies that the township deals with and is shopping prices for employee health insurance. Trustee Trinter recommended contacting Brian Savage, insurance agent, who was previously employed with the Ohio Insurance Agency to also give the township a quote. Trustee Dickel stated the Fiscal Officer has been in contact with Mr. Savage and is checking with other agents as well. Steve Young, Road Department asked if the employees will be given an option to go with the traditional rather than the health savings account. Trustee Decker answered yes, that's how the county does it where he has insurance through. The employee can choose which plan they would like. Mr. Young asked if the employee chooses an HSA, does the township put any money towards it. Trustee Decker stated that would be something the township's insurance company would have to talk to the Board about. Mr. Young asked if the township associations could get together and go in with the county regarding insurance. Trustee Dickel answered that was tried years ago, but the county would not agree. Mr. Dickel added the amount of money being paid as a premium did not show any savings anyways.

Trustee Dickel stated Brownhelm Township was having a new roof being put on their building and he would follow-up with their contractor and obtain a quote for Vermilion Township. Trustee Trinter added that another option may be to contact Burkholder's Construction in Ashland, Ohio to obtain a quote for the roof, as well.

MOTION BY: C. Trinter, second by R. Dickel to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:19 a.m. with no further business to discuss. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Decker, yes; Motion Carried.



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Township Secretary