

ISLAND CREEK TOWNSHIP

FEBRUARY 8, 2022

REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Trustees of Island Creek Township met in regular session, beginning with the finance Meeting. The Fiscal Officer presented the Permanent Appropriations for 2022.

Ralph (Bub) Grimm moved to accept the permanent Appropriations of \$2,547,555.59. Sam seconded the motion. The Annual Appropriations Resolution will be sent to the Jefferson County Auditors Office for their approval certificate. The PO's and Blanket Certificates, were then presented for approval and signatures. The warrants were then presented for approval and signatures.

Mark Longo was presented with the Financial report for 2021, and also the newest Budget report, which he had requested. He had no questions at this time.

The Fiscal Officer explained what bills were being paid, and ask if there were any questions?

At 7:00 PM, the Board moved onto the Regular Business portion of the meeting:

Roll Call as follows:

Sam Grafton, present

Ralph Grimm, present

Ralph Grimm moved to accept the previous months minutes, Sam second, All were in favor.

APPOINTMENT PROCESS

Sam explained the appointment process, as per the Ohio Revised Code.

Brenda Powley ask to speak: The following is a brief description of her speech:

Brenda stated that she received 697 votes, loosing by 43 votes. She has been attending the meetings and is very much interested in the position. Adding she worked for the school district, and has been married for 30 plus years, and felt she had the experience to make decisions for the Township. Several people in attendance also spoke in support of her.

Chris Clutter ask if there were other individuals that expressed interest? Sam answered yes.

Sam went onto explain that it's a difficult time, loosing a Board Member, and a difficult decision to fill the vacancy.

Sam added he understands as he himself was first appointed and then continued to run for office.

Notedue to several speaking at once, not all conversations were heard.

Don Bickar, ask the process. Sam explained that the Ohio Revised Code, section 503.24, gives the Board 30 days to fill the vacancy. They must live in Island Creek Township, and be a registered voter. If the two Board members cannot come to an agreement, it then goes to a judge to make the decision.

Several Attendees added that, she campaigned, and she showed up at this meeting.

Ralph Grimm then made a motion to hold a special meeting, Monday, February 14th, 2022 at 9:00am to appoint a Trustee to fill the Vacancy, Sam second, All in favor.

Several residents objected to this, asking if it would be an open meeting. Sam explained that anyone can attend any open meeting. The only closed portion of any meeting would be if there is a need to go into executive Session.

TOWNSHIP ROAD 350

The FEMA slip is repaired and complete.

The lower slip is near completion, but due to weather some delays occurred.

ARP FUNDING

Scott Fabian, Jefferson County Township Association, was present and explained the recent passage of the Final Rule pertaining to this funding. The new language helps Townships spend on any General Government Service.

At this time Ralph Grimm moved to pass the attached resolution, being seconded by Sam Grafton. All in favor. Projects will be forth coming.

ODOT STIMULUS GRANT

At this time, we have not had any response to our Grant Application. Scott added he heard they received a lot more request than the total grant allocation.

PARK/BASEBALL

The Baseball Association notified Bub, that they would be attending the March Meeting.

MOWING QUOTES 2022 SEASON

Bub moved to receive mowing quotes by the March 8th meeting. The specifications will be posted on the website, and also a notice in the paper to view the website if interested in quoting. The Mowing Quotes should be separated by projects. Cemeteries being one, and Community Building/ Park another.

LMI GRANT

Sam explained that the LMI process has changed. They now require the road to be grinded. It would be the best interest of the Township to apply for the grinding process, and do the blacktop ourselves.

ODOT ROAD MILEAGE

Bub moved to accept the ODOT road mileage, sent from the Jefferson County Engineers Office, Sam second. All in Favor.

TROY ROAD FOREMAN

Troy was pleased to report that no accidents occurred during the ice and snow storm. The only damage was losing mirrors, due to low ice-covered limbs. One has been replaced, the other on order.

Troy also requested permission to purchase new truck tires on the 550. Bub moved to purchase tires, Sam second. All in favor.

FULL TIME

Bub explained that the part time workers, Kyle and Brian have worked their 90 days probation. Troy added they are good workers. Bub moved to make Kyle Koehnlein and Brian Sayers full time effective the next pay period. (Beginning February 10, 2022) Sam second, all in favor.

BUDGETARY

The Fiscal officer noted that a bill has not been received by Richmond Mill Services. Also asking if we knew where slag may come from. A PO for SMS Mill services will be written in hopes they can provide us slag.

Bub moved to accept the following as legal obligation of the Township, Sam second. All in favor.

There being no further business to discuss, Bub moved to adjourn, Sam second. All in favor.

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER