

German Township
Board of Trustees
July 24, 2017

The Trustees of German Township, Fulton County, Ohio met in regular session for the purpose of conducting business of the township.

Present: Bruce Lauber, Randy Ruffer, Keith Short

Absent: Kenneth Leupp

Guests: Josh King, Mary Huber, Robert Apger, Glenn Christiansen, Barry Hoylman, John Wilson, Spencer Short, Jeff Litigot, David Pugh

The meeting was called to order by Bruce at 7:00 pm.

Glenn Christiansen and Barry Hoylman attended with questions regarding the street lights in the Old Mill Run addition in Pettisville. Glen presented a new letter with additional choices and he and Barry would be willing to hand deliver the letters to the residents and explain the information.

Spencer Short discussed the field tile situation he had presented before. Randy said it would probably need to be petitioned and he encouraged Spencer to take the lead to get that accomplished. Randy recommended Spencer talk with the Fulton County Engineer's office to see what steps need to be taken.

Robert Apger said the new sign has been installed at Johnson Cemetery. Robert asked if it would be possible to put a yield sign in the driveway as they are exiting the cemetery onto Route 20A. Josh said they could put an exit sign directing traffic to the other driveway. The trustees will take a look at the situation.

John Wilson, a concerned citizen, attended to speak about the current situation with the Village Council and German Township and the fire department. John spent 27 years in the school system and 30 more years in industry and spent most of his time dealing with conflict. John asked each of the trustees where do you stand on this issue (fire department, separation)? Bruce said our primary objective is to offer the same service as we have in the past. Bruce said the trustees met at least three times with Village Council and gave them what they wanted and came away from the meetings feeling good only to have the Council change their ideas. Bruce said he is willing to look further to try to repair the situation. Randy said he represents all of all German Township and believes the fire department is second to none and said he has not had anyone tell the Trustees that they have not done a good job or have spent money carelessly. John asked if the trustees have considered having a community meeting inviting the township residents. John also asked if a third party mediator such as Shalom Ministries or Jim Barber would be considered.

Jeff Litigot attended to ask about the lease of the building on State Route 66. They have made a few changes to the building. The new lease was signed by Jeff Litigot representing Xtreme Automotive, LLC and by Bruce Lauber representing German Township (attachment 03-07-17).

The minutes from the July 10, 2017 meeting were presented. Randy made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Bruce seconded the motion. The motion passed with two yes votes and no negative votes.

The bills were presented for review (attachment 04-07-17). Randy made a motion to accept the bills for payment as presented. Bruce seconded the motion. The motion passed with two yes votes and no negative votes.

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Josh reported they finished putting up all the signs from the ODOT grant, fixed water leak on #102, worked on a chain saw for the fire department, did some berming, sprayed weeds around the guard rails, finished the last mowing, helped dig a grave in Johnson Cemetery.

There will be a Zoning Board of Appeals meeting August 7, 2017 at 6:30 pm to consider a request for a conditional use permit from Tim & Carrie Grieser at 19827 Co Rd F Wauseon, OH for a temporary mobile home to be located in the back yard behind existing house until current house is repaired from fire damage.

The Fiscal Officer's Certificate was executed certifying the amount of \$1,510.06 for 5.231 miles of centerline pavement marking to be posted to the Road District fund account 241-330-490-00000 (attachment 05-07-17)

07-17 RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT ROAD STRIPING ESTIMATE

The Board of Township Trustees of German Township of Fulton County, Ohio, met in regular session on July 24, 2017, with the following members present:

Bruce Lauber
Randy Ruffer

Mr. Ruffer moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS the **Board of Trustees of German Township** wish to improve various sections of Township Roads with 5.231 miles of centerline pavement marking application. (IMPROVEMENT)

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County received competitive bids on July 13, 2017 for the **2017 Pavement Marking Program**, (PROJECT),

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners has awarded the contract for the PROJECT to: **Oglesby Construction, Inc.** (CONTRACTOR), and,

WHEREAS based on the unit prices specified in the contract, the estimated cost of the IMPROVEMENT will be **\$1,510.06**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 24th day of July, 2017 by the Board of Trustees of German Township of Fulton County that:

SECTION 1:

The Board of Trustees accepts the bid amount for the IMPROVEMENT and authorizes the Fulton County Engineer to proceed to complete the IMPROVEMENT in accordance with the above mentioned contract with the CONTRACTOR.

SECTION 2:

The Board of Trustees understands that the actual cost of the improvement may vary from the estimated cost due to extra work or non-performance of various contract items.

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SECTION 3:

The Board of Trustees understands that the CONTRACTOR, will submit a bill for the actual cost of the work directly to the Board for payment after the bill has been approved by the Fulton County Engineer.

SECTION 4:

The Board of Trustees agrees to pay the bill and to make the payment directly to the CONTRACTOR.

Mr. Lauber seconded the Motion and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Lauber	Yes
Mr. Ruffer	Yes

Board of Trustees of German Township

Fiscal Officer

(attachment 06-07-17)

**08-17 RESOLUTION FOR FUND TRANSFER and INCREASE
APPROPRIATIONS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of German Township, Fulton County Ohio that \$10,000.00 be transferred from the General Fund (1000) to the Cemetery Fund (2041) to repair and maintain township cemeteries and to increase the Cemetery appropriation code 2041-410-323-0000 Repairs and Maintenance by \$9,500.00 and to decrease the Fire District appropriation code 2111-220-314-0000 by (\$750.00) and to increase the Fire District appropriation code 2111-220-315-0000 by \$750.00.

Randy moved, Bruce seconded
Yeas: Lauber, Ruffer
Absent: Leupp
Adopted this 24th day of July, 2017

**09-17 RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT CERTIFICATE OF ESTIMATED PROPERTY TAX
MILLAGE RATE**

WHEREAS, The amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of said German Township, Fulton County, Ohio for the purpose of purchasing and maintaining fire apparatus, equipment and any related fire expenses: therefore, be it

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RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of German Township, Fulton County, Ohio to accept the Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Millage Rate from the Fulton County Auditor certifying the current tax valuation of the subdivision and the number of mills necessary to produce \$372,595.00 of revenue, to levy a tax outside the 10-mill limitation for purposes pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 5705.19, 191, 192.26 to be placed on the ballot at the November 9, 2017 election. The levy is an additional levy. The estimated property tax millage required to produce the stated revenue, assuming the tax valuation of the subdivision remains constant throughout the life of the levy, is calculated to be 2.0 mills for each one dollar (\$1.00) of tax valuation, which is twenty cents (\$0.20) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of tax valuation.

Randy moved, Bruce seconded

Yeas: Lauber, Ruffer

Absent: Leupp

Adopted this 24th day of July, 2017 (attachment 07-07-17).

**10-17 RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF
THE TEN MILL LIMITATION**

Rev. Code, Sec. 5705.19, .191, .192, .194, .21, .26

The Board of Township Trustees of German Township, Fulton County, Ohio met in REGULAR session on this 24th day of July, 2017 with the following members present:

Bruce Lauber
Randy Ruffer

Mr. Ruffer moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of said German Township, Fulton County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, said German Township has received and reviewed the certification from the Fulton County Auditor as to the total current valuation of this subdivision and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the specified number of mills; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Board of Township Trustees of German Township, Fulton County, Ohio, at least two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of German Township for the purpose of purchasing and maintaining fire apparatus, equipment and any related expenses, at a rate not exceeding two (2.0) mills for each one dollar valuation, which amounts to no dollars and twenty cents (.20¢) for each one hundred dollars of valuation for a period of 5 years, which levy is an ADDITIONAL levy of two (2.0) mills; and be it further

RESOLVED, That said German Township proceed with the levy of said tax and that the question of levying the ADDITIONAL tax be submitted to the electors of said German Township at the GENERAL election to be held at the usual voting places within said German Township on the 9th day of November, 2017; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that said levy be placed upon the tax list commencing Tax Year 2017, first due in calendar year 2018, if a MAJORITY of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Fiscal Officer of the Board of Township Trustees be and he is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Elections, Fulton County, Ohio, no later than ninety (90) days prior to the election upon which it will be voted and notify said Board of Elections to cause notice of election on the question of levying said tax to be given as required by law.

Mr. Lauber seconded the Motion and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Lauber	Yes
Mr. Ruffer	Yes

I, Keith Short, Fiscal Officer of German Township, do hereby certify that the foregoing is taken and copied from the Record of Proceedings of said Township; that the same has been compared by me with the Resolution on said Record and it is a true and correct copy thereof.

Witness my signature, this 24th day of July, 2017.

Keith Short, Fiscal Officer

Randy made a motion to adjourn at 8:18 pm. Bruce seconded the motion. The motion passed with two yes votes and no negative votes.

Attested