

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chairman James Dickinson. Trustee Jim Mueller was present. Mr. Dickinson announced that Trustee Greg Studen was out of town and would not attend this meeting. Mr. Dickinson also announced that Jayne Paullin was recording notes for the minutes, along with Fiscal Officer Gerri Heck. Mr. Dickinson welcomed guests and department head Chief John Frazier.

MINUTES: *Mr. Mueller made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2007 meeting. Mr. Dickinson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

MONTHLY REPORTS: *Mr. Mueller made the motion to accept the April 2007, monthly reports. Mr. Dickinson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

ROAD DEPARTMENT: OPENING OF BIDS: The bids were opened and recorded for the following road projects: Two bids were received and opened for the chip and seal of various roads in Russell Township, four bids were received for the improvement of Wharton Road and Stump Hollow Lane and six bids were received for the improvement of Twin Lakes Trail and River Glen Drive. The contents of which were as follows:

Chip and seal of various roads in Russell Township:

Hughes Contracting Inc.	:	\$ 65,817.00
Ronyak Paving, Inc.	:	\$ 64,995.00

Both of the bids had the required bid bond.

Improvement of Wharton Road and Stump Hollow:

Karvo Paving Company	:	\$ 252,189.00
Ronyak Paving Company	:	\$ 237,573.00
The Shelly Company	:	\$ 224,604.00
Kokosing Construction Company	:	\$ 231,507.00

Each of the bids had the required bid bond.

Improvement of Twin Lakes Trail and River Glen Drive:

Carron Asphalt Paving, Inc.	:	\$ 264,720.00
Chagrin Valley Paving, Inc.:	\$	311,335.00
Karvo Paving Company	:	\$ 285,297.50
Kokosing Construction Company	:	\$ 271,580.00
Ronyak Paving, Inc.	:	\$ 251,453.50
The Shelly Company	:	\$ 292,500.00

Each of the bids had the required bid bond.

Mr. Layne will review the bids received and send them to the Geauga County Engineer for review. After the Geauga County Engineer's review and recommendations are received, the bid will be awarded during a future Board of Trustees' meeting.

FIRE-RESCUE DEPARTMENT: Chief Frazier thanked the Trustees for attending the recent Emergency Medical Services (EMS) meeting at the Fire-Rescue Department. Chief Frazier said he was pleased that the Trustees could meet Doctor Donald Spaner, the Emergency Medical Director of Russell Township Emergency Medical Services, who had just recently returned from Iraq, serving in the Army, and stationed at an Army Medical Hospital. He shared some of his experiences and stories.

Doctor Spaner is now stateside and practices medicine in the Emergency Department at Hillcrest Hospital. Mr. Dickinson said he was impressed that Doctor Spaner reviewed the ambulance service runs with the Township EMS crew. Chief Frazier said the program is outstanding and the crew appreciates reviewing the runs with Doctor Spaner. They are able to evaluate each situation and learn from the experience.

FISCAL OFFICER: Fiscal Officer, Gerri Heck, reported that she and her Assistant, Susan Baker, attended a seminar today, sponsored by The Frank Gates Companies, Inc., a firm that handles and manages Workers' Compensation issues. She said the seminar was informative and both she and Susan felt they learned about how to handle the cases that may arise.

COMMENTS WERE TAKEN FROM THE PUBLIC.

ARCHITECTURAL STONE ELEMENTS AT RUSSELL SCHOOL: Mr. Mueller stated that he would like for the architectural stone work surrounding the entrance at Russell School to be taken down prior to demolition of Russell School. He said he would like to have the stone available to be used as a memorial and he said he hopes the stonework will be re-erected. Mr. Dickinson asked Jayne Paullin to contact Mr. Dixon, the Construction Manager for the demolition of Russell School and the construction of the Police Station, to inform him of the Township's plans. Mr. Mueller said he would like for the stones to be re-erected on the former BP gas station site. *Mr. Mueller moved to approve hiring Masonry Restoration Maintenance, Inc. to dismantle, remove and place the architectural stone elements from the front entrance of the Russell School, and place the stones on pallets in the front yard of the Russell School, as per the proposal and photo presented to the Township, dated March 19, 2007, from Masonry Restoration Maintenance, Inc., for a total amount of \$4,183.00. Mr. Dickinson seconded the motion and it was passed by both Mr. Mueller and Mr. Dickinson.*

RESOLUTION 2007-11, GEAUGA-TRUMBULL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, AMENDMENT TO THE APPROVED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN: Mr. Dickinson read a letter from Robert Villers, Director, Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste Management District. Mr. Villers was requesting that Russell Township Trustees pass a Resolution to support an amendment to Section VI,E of the Solid Waste District Plan and Resolution. This amendment would allow the Board of Directors of the Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste Management District to designate disposal facilities to be used by waste haulers. Mr. Mueller explained that there is controversy over the section that the Board of Directors is requesting to be changed because currently, the District is unable to set up long-term contracts with specialized waste haulers because the District is unable to guarantee there will be a sufficient amount of waste to be hauled. He further explained that when the Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste Management District originated, it was thought that it would be more cost effective not to set up long-term contracts with haulers and unless a designated dumping site is chosen, a long-term contact can not be made. Mr. Dickinson said he would be willing to accept Mr. Mueller's explanation and Mr. Villers's suggestion and he would agree to sign Resolution 2007-11. Mr. Mueller said he feels that the District should be able to decide on the direction of the waste to be recycled. *Mr. Mueller moved to approve Resolution 2007-11, Approving the amendment to Section VI,E, authorization statement to designate, of the current approved Solid Waste Management Plan for the Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste Management District. Mr. Dickinson seconded the motion and it was passed by both Mr. Mueller and Mr. Dickinson.*

SEMINAR TO ADDRESS HOUSE BILL 9, PUBLIC RECORDS: Mr. Dickinson read a portion of a summary describing House Bill 9, Public Records and explained that House Bill 9 makes numerous changes to the public records law. Mr. Dickinson explained that Chief Tim Carroll sent a memo to the Trustees and the Fiscal Officer to notify them that a seminar for law enforcement officers and elected officials will be held in Aurora on May 31, 2007, hosted by the Reminderville Police Department. The training will meet the requirements needed for elected officials and law enforcement officers to be in compliance with the new law, scheduled to go into effect on September 29, 2007. *Mr. Mueller moved to approve the reasonable and necessary expenses for up to five people to attend a training seminar, to address House Number 9, Public Records law, to be held on May 31, 2007, in Aurora, Ohio. Mr. Dickinson seconded the motion and it was passed by both Mr. Mueller and Mr. Dickinson.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The Veterans Memorial Tribute will be held on Sunday, May 20, from 3:00 until 5:00 p.m., at the Briar Hill Cemetery.

Special Board of Trustees meetings will be held on Tuesday, May 29, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 30, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., and Friday, June 1, at 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. These special meetings will be held at the Township Administration Building, located at 8501 Kinsman Road. The purpose of the above special meetings is to have a workshop to discuss the Township departments' 2008 budgets and goals; and any other business properly before the Board.

Oil Recycling will be held on Saturday, June 2, from 8:00 until 10:00 a.m., at the Township Recycling Center.

The next regular Trustees' meeting will be Wednesday, June 6, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. at the Historic Town Hall.

PURCHASE ORDERS: were approved for:

Number	Purpose	Amount
104-2007	Panasonic Laptops-CF-73/power Supplies/AV software	\$ 4,700.00
105-2007	Replace culvert on Hillbrook Drive	\$ 7,500.00
106-2007	Police Station Construction Management	\$ 10,000.00
107-2007	Demolition of former BP Station	\$ 4,250.00
108-2007	1,500 gallon storage tank, permit and water well abandonment at Russell School	\$ 1,825.00
109-2007	Seal well at former BP Station	\$ 575.00
110-2007	Fire Truck Bond Interest for 2007	\$ 10,008.00

Bills were approved as presented and drawn for same.

Respectfully submitted,

James Dickinson, Chairman Gerri Heck, Fiscal Officer