

RUSSELL FIRE-RESCUE STATION

AUGUST 15, 2012

Chairman James Dickinson called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. Trustees Jim Mueller and Justin Madden were present. The Department Heads: Fire Chief John Frazier, Police Chief Tim Carroll and Zoning Inspector Ric Machnics were present. Maintenance Superintendent Jack Gallagher was not present because of an injury and Road Superintendent Gene Layne was on vacation.

**MONTHLY REPORTS:** *Mr. Mueller made the motion to accept the June 2012 monthly departmental report from the Road department. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

**MONTHLY REPORTS:** *Mr. Mueller made the motion to acknowledge receipt of the July 2012 monthly departmental reports from the Fire, Police, Maintenance, Road, and Zoning Departments. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

**ZONING:** Mr. Machnics reported that he has a court date on September 10<sup>th</sup> for the Sloe case. He had nothing else to report.

**FIRE DEPT.:** Chief Frazier reported the dry hydrant located in the Eagle Ridge Subdivision has been repaired. Originally the contractor installed the hydrant and it was not a good installation. Fortunately the Fire Department was able to make the repairs.

There was a house fire on Calley Lane. Much of the damage was to the interior and since the people had not moved in, there were no injuries. Eighteen pieces of equipment were used and 46 men were on the scene of the fire. Hydrants on County Line were used as the source of water.

Chief Frazier was not aware of any activity at the fire-damaged house on Hemlock Point Road. He will call the County Building Department to see if any action can be taken to have the house taken down.

The E.P.A. burning ban has been lifted.

**BONDS:** Mike Prcela and Mike Armago of Piper Jaffray Co. were present to discuss the refinancing of the 2002 Fire Station bonds. The bond market is such that refinancing of the remaining bonds would save the Township somewhere in the area of \$112,969.00. This savings would be passed on to the taxpayer, because the tax millage would be lower. The bonds are now callable on January 1, 2013. Mr. Prcela recommended a limited offering strategy, which would limit the amount of disclosure for the issue thus expediting it and reducing costs. The Township's Moody rating is AA2, which is the second highest rating in the state of Ohio, and the Township will not have to be re-rated which will be another savings. The Board of Trustees decided to table this project at this time.

**WEBSITE UPDATE:** Mr. Madden has spoken with WRIS and they are moving along well. They should be finished by the end of 2012.

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**CHAGRIN VALLEY INTER-GOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL:** Mr. Mueller is a representative to the Chagrin Valley Inter-Governmental Council. They are applying for a State of Ohio grant to develop a web site to promote the Chagrin Valley area. It would promote the area's economic development and special events. Mr. Mueller would like to write a letter of support for the grant. *Mr. Madden moved that the Russell Township Board Trustees send a letter of support for Chagrin Valley Inter Governmental Council's grant application. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

Mr. Mueller will draft the letter.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** *Mr. Madden made the motion to move into executive session to consider compensation of a public employee pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22(G)(1). Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

The meeting moved into executive session at 7:56 p.m. *Mr. Madden made the motion to return to regular session. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

The meeting moved into regular session at 8:56 p.m.

*Mr. Mueller made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The next regular Trustees' meeting will be held at 7 p.m., Wednesday, September 5th in the Russell Township Fire-Rescue Department.

**PURCHASE ORDERS:** were approved for:

Number	Purpose	Amount
111-2012	Limestone for Cemetery	\$ 4,150.00
112-2012	On-Site Inspection for Inventory	\$ 3,725.00
113-2012	800 Radio Upgrade	\$ 750.00
114-2012	Flow Test and Repairs of SCBA	\$ 3,500.00
115-2012	Legal Advice for BZA	\$ 2,500.00
116-2012	Repairs on Tanker	\$10,000.00
117-2012	EPA Discharge Permit	\$ 1,850.00
118-2012	Park Share of Laurel School Taxes	\$ 1,324.71
119-2012	Water Fire Dept.	\$ 6.61
120-2012	Water and Cooler Charges	\$ 700.00
121-2012	Cell Phone Use	\$ 1,100.00
122-2012	Cell Phone Use	\$ 142.00

Bills were approved as presented and drawn for same.

James Dickinson, Chairman

Gerri Heck, Fiscal Officer