

Scioto Township Board of Trustees
July 28, 2010

Chas Kaiser called the July 29, 2010 Special Meeting of the Scioto Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll call was answered by: Chas Kaiser, Sandra Stults, and Rodger C. Finks.

All in attendance joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Others in attendance: Eben Miles.

Chas: We will dispose with the minutes from the last meeting.

Rodger: And all the other stuff. Susie and I went through the numbers today; unfortunately don't have the final budget numbers on the system yet. At this point I'm going to ask Susie if she got a hold of anyone from the State Auditor's Office.

Susan: No one called me back.

Rodger: Hopefully we will hear back from the Auditor's Office in the next couple of weeks and we can get them to get the new numbers, final budget numbers in the system. This is causing our down fall in the maintenance department. There are certain points in the budget we need to shore up, but until we get the new numbers in there I like to reserve most of those funds until Susie has a chance to get those in there.

Susan: Our originals were in and when we made our amendments by that time we were in Permanent Appropriations and I can't change the number without Auditor's support since we are on fiscal watch. Michelle Schafer left us and they appointed a new supervisor over me. She was here once for 2 ½ to 3 hours and said she'd call and set up an appointment when we could spend time together and could look over what I felt she needed to oversee. She has never gotten back to me and that is pushing three months. I've called the State Auditor's Office on this situation. They were going to follow up and give me a call. As of today still haven't heard from anyone.

Rodger: Until we get that done the final budget into the system, we are going to have to juggle back and forth. Are we in good shape? Not really. Are we in bad shape? No. I guess at this point as far as the computer system goes (audio system) that Sandra brought up in the last meeting I recommend we hold off for now and have Susie look for a digital recorder. I think we can afford that. I don't think we can afford \$1500.00 at this time for an audio system. I think we also need to be careful on general maintenance and park labor at this time; those are going to be squeakers at this point. I know there are things we have to do. But we have to be concerned as to what we do.

Sandra: Jim Hall asked me today about an electric trimmer.

Rodger: Just going to have to stick with the hand trimmers at this point.

Sandra: I told him I didn't think there were funds in the budget.

Rodger: I believe the Gator is over to the park right now. Have him take the gator, cutters and trimmers and get what he can drop in the back and put it in the pile. Speaking of the park, was that the gentlemen asking for direction from the DYAA you were talking to for directions?

Sandra: I don't know who it was; he said he was at the park and I'd like to come to your meeting.

Rodger: That might be him; someone from the Delaware Youth Athletic Association wants to use the soccer field because they are over loaded in Delaware.

Sandra: I had a call for someone who wanted to use the field for football practice. I told them they could use the back field and could park back there.

Rodger: The soccer team can use the middle field. Get the soccer goals out. We'll need to get proof of insurance on both.

Sandra: I have the insurance from the football team and gave Susie copies of the liability insurance.

Eben Miles: Hi, I'm Eben Miles from the Delaware Youth Athletic Association. I have come to the Trustees for permission to use the park for soccer practice. We were presently using Mingo and Smith Parks. In the past 5 years we have grown 25%, we are up to 1500 to 1600 girls and we have outgrown Smith and Mingo parks. Just too many teams for two parks for practice. This is a select program. That's our reason for using your field not mainly for not necessarily for games. We may have a problem for lining it. The City does our lining. I don't know if the Township has a liner or not and any equipment.

Rodger: Ball Association has a liner. Actually I think the liner is ours and the Ball Association uses it.

Eben: If they use paint, yes, but I would think they are using chalk. We would be using the field mainly for practice. Some of the fathers could come down and mark the field.

Sandra: Would you be using the space behind the baseball diamond. Is that what you want?

Eben: That would be absolutely perfect. We'd like to use that and move the goals over there back behind the baseball diamond and use the space where the goals are now, as open space. Lot of our coaches will bring punt goals, which are small portable goals that they can use.

Sandra: What hours would you be using the field?

Eben: During the week it would be 5:00 p.m. till dark and on weekends it would be 9:00 a.m. on.

Sandra: We do have a football team using the field on the back side of the pond.

Eben: On the back side of the pond?

Sandra: Yes.

Chas: What about trash?

Eben: Really at practice there isn't much trash. We will take care of that and if there is a problem with that you have my number and I'll come down and clean it. I understand Lacrosse uses it in the spring.

Rodger: We have Lacrosse in spring, Soccer in fall. What we ran into with Soccer, we had one of the soccer coaches come up to our boys and told them they had to mow the field now. We set the boys schedules and we try to accommodate you. If we run behind someplace else we got road, cemeteries or an emergency.

Eben: Absolutely, I understand.

Rodger: What about insurance?

Eben: The President of our organization is Art Miller. Art is on vacation He has all this at this house under lock and key and will be back next week. As soon as I get it I will drop off the information and contribution. Our insurance covers everything from the coaches.

Rodger: We need the insurance information for our Risk Insurance. I think we discussed your schedule would be on the web-site.

Eben: We are going to try to, if permitted, to accommodate our practice schedule. We do have a field schedule on our web-site for Mingo. It will be posted on there with time slots are allotted for coaches.

Sandra: We do have a little board out there where you could post your schedule.

Rodger: It's small but you may post your schedule.

Sandra: It would be under glass.

Eben: We would like to make a contribution to help with the mowing.

Rodger: I'd like to say yes, but unfortunately we can't. But the nets for the goals, if they stay that's okay.

Eben: Don't be alarmed. We really do appreciate this and you have my number and information. Thank you for your time. I'll get out of your hair. I'll get you a copy of our insurance next week. Thank you.

Rodger: Back to budget. The baseball teams just striped the funds for the park out of general maintenance. We have nothing to spend.

Sandra: Can't hear her comment.

Rodger: Other than that we went through contracted services and we may go through And bite into this. What we figured was \$190,000.00 in contracted services under final budget. Salt was \$27,200.00, Newhouse Road around \$50,000.00, Tar & Chip is \$59, something, the culvert at Vaughn Dewitt's will come out of that also and that total is just short of \$27,000.00. So what we have available over and above that in contract services is \$26,500.00 somewhere in that neighborhood. The equipment purchases for Machinery & Equipment on the final budget we put \$40,450.00 so far we have expended \$12,677.60, leaves us net of \$27,772.40. We aren't doing badly there. As far as contracts services we may want to be a little bit careful on that, I don't know what the salt bill will be.

Chas: We have saved enough for the Dewitt culvert?

Rodger: Yes.

Chas: Do you know where the dirt came from at the park? It showed up on Friday.

Rodger & Sandra: No.

Rodger: Not going to kick on whom brought it in. Also got a couple tons of grinding.

Rodger: We are also looking at the other culvert on Warren Road, which we have to replace. I haven't seen anything on it that shows the survey works that has come back to us. We are still waiting on that.

Chas: While we are talking about equipment, do you want to talk about the Flail head for the mower.

Rodger: Got a quote from Motrim for a four foot Flail Head for the LMT Model Mower rather than the bush hog type which the guys seem to get in trouble with or did get in trouble with a time or two when they took it out. Having to replace fence, fence posts and what knot. It's a better system quote from Motrim is \$5900.00. Entertain discussion.

Sandra: I don't want to spend any more money right now. I think we need to see if the levy passes. I know it's something we need and it's a good deal.

Rodger: The International tractor sits there all the time with the ditch tool on there and doesn't get used. If we had the Flail head both tractors could be in use mowing roads. I do agree with you and I don't like spending too much but I think this would be a good purchase at this time and would save time.

Chas: Bypass major purchases. Think this is a better deal.

Sandra: Is it used only on the side of the roads?

Rodger: Just any place along side of the road or ditch.

Chas: It's a smaller type mower for the side of the roads and ditches.

Sandra: I was thinking about the one going sideways.

Chas: I would like to get it.

Rodger: I think it would be a decent purchase at this time.

Chas: This would also give us a backup.

Sandra: When I was out with Jennifer Way-Young on Litter Index, I couldn't believe the roads in Thompson Township, they are unbelievable. I was in Troy, Oxford, Marlboro, Thompson and Radnor Townships. Our roads look great.

Chas: Our guys do a nice job.

Rodger: Okay, a motion to purchase the four foot Flail Head from Motrim to attach to the LMT Model mower on the International tractor for no more than \$5,900.00

Chas: I second. Vote: unanimous

Rodger: In addition to that would you like for me to try to negotiate with Mr. Brill to see if he would give us anything for trade on the bush-hog. If he won't I don't know what we'll do with it.

Chas: Yes. There may be one of the other townships that would want it.

Rodger: It's eating up space at Second Street.

Sandra: You can always list it in the Ohio Township Magazine.

Chas: Small purchases. I'd like to get a backpack blower. They have been borrowing mine.

Rodger: Oh, I thought you bought one.

Chas: No, but we need one for roads, patching, cemeteries to blow the grass away from the stones and markers and to use in the park.

Rodger: Tell them to go to Parrott's.

Sandra: What about the trail at the park?

Chas: It could be used there.

Rodger: What about the one he has strapped to the mower. I thought you bought one, it looks new.

Chas: I believe that one belongs to Jr.

Rodger: If they haven't purchased one tell him to go get one. Let's get these resolutions out of the way here for the levies. This Resolution is to put on the Fire and EMS Protection which is a replacement it's a 3.25 mill.

Sandra: I second. Vote: unanimous.

Resolution 16-07-2010

See Attached Exhibit A

Rodger: I make the motion for the Resolution for the Road and Bridge at 1 mill for construction, re-construction and so on and so forth for a 4 year. It's an additional tax.

Chas: I second. Vote: unanimous

Resolution 17-07-2010

See Attached Exhibit B

Sandra: With both levies we need a way to advertise both of them. We can't buy signs with Township money. But we can make signs on our own. But we really need to do something.

Chas: Could we put it on the web-site?

Rodger: The web-site could get really sticky.

Sandra: We really can't afford mailers right now.

Rodger: We could afford mailers, but we can't afford to have them done for us. We could buy the paper, fold them ourselves and send.

Sandra: What I was thinking about was postcards.

Rodger: We've got funds available to mail, it's when we send them out to be copied and folded. That's when we get hit.

Sandra: It takes forever to fold, I've done it.

Rodger: We can take a Saturday or whatever you want to do and between the 3 or 4 of us we could possibly get them done. We are only talking about?

Sandra: maybe 500 – 1375.

Rodger: 1200 to 1400 hundred. We could get them done.

Sandra: We could do them with the permit number on them. When do they start with the absentee ballots?

Rodger: October, I think.

Sandra: I was thinking September. I think we should get them out the first week of September.

Rodger: If we do a newsletter we have to watch the language. You need to use ballot language only. Our cost at Rabbit Quick, or whomever, Kinko putting the fold on them that's when the cost comes in. It may not be pretty but I can fold.

Sandra: Or do you want to use postcards.

Susan: Remember Ostrander Village residents cannot vote on the Road and Bridge levy.

Rodger: Ostrander has its own Road and Bridge fund.

Short discussion.

Rodger: The other thing we need to talk about is Worker's Compensation. We are up for renewal and it's been through Frank Gates a long time. We got information from Sheakley and they say an individual's premium would be \$6823.—about \$300.00 less. Under group plan 3299 it is about \$2000.00 less.

Chas: Can't hear his comments.

Rodger: It's what I don't know. This is what we got. Last year and previous years our Worker's Compensation has gone up significantly.

Sandra: Can't hear her comment.

Rodger: Our issue is Sheakley needs to know by August 8th. Gates is saying 13th of August which is after our meeting.

Sandra: Don't have much time.

Susan: I haven't heard of Sheakley and I haven't seen it advertised in the Ohio Township Magazine.

Chas: I have.

Discussion

Chas: Would you like me to contact both parties.

Susan: Please do.

Rodger: How about this, if Sheakley won't come down and say it's going to be this or guarantee this we'll be \$500.00 less than Frank Gates. I'd say stay with Gates. See if they could extend their due date. We don't meet until after that, unless we want to give Chas the authority to say you can negotiate into this or you can enter into that.

Sandra: I'm fine with that.

Rodger: I make the motion to give Chas Kaiser the authority to enter into a contract for Worker's Compensation coverage based on his best knowledge and interest of Scioto Township.

Sandra: I second. Vote unanimous.

Chas: One other thing that has come into play is Manual Classification. The guide came through that the guys out in the field have the same classification as you and me.

Chas: Something else that has been on my mind is that we inspect all carry in baggage and briefcases by checking when entering the building.

Sandra: Josh, our policemen said he would be here for our meeting.

Susan: Won't we have to post it on the doors same as the guns?

Sandra: Put sign on door, bags are subject to search.

Sandra: Motion to adjourn.

Rodger: I second.

Vote: unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Susan Beckley, Fiscal Officer