

Trustee Meeting – March 26, 2018

The Board of Deerfield Township Trustees met in regular session on Monday, March 26, 2018, at 7:00pm, with Trustees Mark Bann and Ed Dean present. Trustee Ed Dean opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mark moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting and approve them as written. Ed seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous.

Communications:

- The Board of Elections notified Deerfield Township of the Primary Election to be held at the Deerfield Town Hall on Tuesday, May 8, 2018. Election officials will report at 5:45am to set up the polling place.
- Portage County Solid Waste Management District sent their annual district report.

Fire Department: Brian Allison submitted a written report for the fire department on activity since the last meeting. The fire department is up to 82 runs for the year, of which 17 runs took place since the last meeting.

The Fire Department is still selling their gun raffle tickets.

A representative from The Deerfield Race Track attended the meeting to request 2 EMT employees be contracted from Deerfield Fire Department staff for 6 Friday nights and 25 Saturday nights. He indicated they would like to enter into a non-mandatory contract with Deerfield Township first before asking surrounding communities. The Trustees indicated they will need to contact legal to discuss the specifics of this request. Brian will go look over the ambulance on-site in the upcoming weeks to confirm the necessary equipment is available. The Deerfield Race Track would like all transportation and payroll including workers compensation go through Deerfield Fire Department. They in turn will reimburse Deerfield Township for costs at a pre-determined hourly rate. The first race will be held on April 21, 2018.

The mini pumper has been repaired since the last meeting.

Road Department:

The road department is waiting on the asphalt plant to open in order to repair holes. They will be making temporary patching in the upcoming weeks.

The Trustees spoke with the Deerfield resident on McClintocksburg Road regarding the water issue. He is willing to participate with Deerfield Township. The next steps include drawing up a plan to give Deerfield Township permission to enter and come onto his property to assist with the necessary repairs. A majority of the work can be done from the road.

Buildings & Grounds:

Since the last meeting, the road department has been working on cleaning up the cemeteries including straightening various signs and repairing holes in the drive. There are a couple of trees that are encroaching on graves that will need to be removed in the upcoming year.

New Business:

RESOLUTION 18-12: Permanent Appropriations

Ed Dean moved to adopt Resolution 18-12 that, to provide for the current expenses and other expenditures of said Deerfield Township, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018, the following sums be and the expenditures are to be made for and during said fiscal year as follows:

General Fund	\$ 162,144.90
Motor Vehicle Tax Fund	\$ 22,710.06
Gasoline Tax Fund	\$ 85,161.12
Road & Bridge Fund	\$ 141,853.79
Cemetery Fund	\$ 14,743.65
Cemetery Bequest Fund	\$ 386.77
General Bond Retirement Fund	\$ 63,894.08
Fire Fund	\$ 477,146.99
Permissive License Tax Fund	\$ 97,393.16
Road District Fund	\$ 235.50
Permanent Improvement Fund	\$ 7,902.12
TOTAL	\$1,073,572.14

Mark seconded the motion, and the roll call vote was as follows:

Randy Wilburn	Absent
Charles Dean	Yes
Mark Bann	Yes

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A Deerfield resident inquired about when grading would begin. The Trustees indicated they will begin grading when the weather improves.

A Deerfield resident inquired about Notman Road being closed until further notice at the State Route 224 exit due to 2 out of 3 culverts being compromised. The Trustees indicated they put 20 tons of stone on each side to be leveled out if there were to be an emergency and access is needed & do not anticipate this repair to be made timely. The Trustees indicated Portage County’s response was the projects for the year were already designed, appropriated and approved and were told the repair would take place as time and resources allowed them to. The Trustees indicated the residents should contact Mr. Marozzi for any complaints with the Portage County Engineer’s Office.

A Deerfield resident inquired about the status of the health insurance. The Trustees indicated they are working on a plan to try and get this back in place as soon as possible.

The following bills were presented for Trustees' inspection and approval: See Payment Register attached.

Mark made a motion to pay these bills and adjourn the meeting. Ed seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Chairman

Fiscal Officer