

## **Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2016**

Call to Order @ 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Cole led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Cole, present, Ciesielski, present, Hallman, present, Graves, present Absent: Schmidt.

A moment of silence was observed for the families of Cody Benton, Phillip Stecco, Mr. Keith Lawrence and Don Martin.

Motion, Ciesielski, seconded by Hallman to approve the minutes of February 29, 2016 Regular Board Meeting. Motion passed.

Correspondence is available to view. Hallman asked if there were any updates on the dam.

Moved by Hallman, seconded by Cole to approve the budget amendments as recommended by Clerk Graves. Motion passed.

Motion, Graves, seconded by Ciesielski to approve payment of expenditures as presented in the board package. Motion passed.

Public comment: None.

Reports: Police Department- A written report was submitted. Chief Allen spoke about the school shooting threat case in Judge Goggins court. The next court date is April 13, where the case may get bound over to circuit court.

There was a traffic fatality in the 1000 block of Silver Lake Rd. near Duffield Rd. on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

One of our reserve officers will graduate from the Police Academy on April 28<sup>th</sup>. I would like to offer him a position as a part-time officer.

Motion, Cole seconded by Graves to hire Jeff Mulnix as a part-time police officer upon successful completion of the police academy on April 28, 2016, and subject to a one-year probation period and passing all background checks. Motion passed.

The issue with the administrative assistant position has been resolved and is ready to be filled with the selected candidate.

Cole said the proposed agreement needs to be amended to reflect the scheduled hours to be 8:30a.m. - 4:30 p.m. M-F and a 40 hour work week.

Motion, Ciesielski, second, Graves to approve Chief Allen's recommended selection of Tim Burchett to fill the administrative assistant position, subject to the amended Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police Agreement. Discussion; Ciesielski asked if employees are allowed to use comp time. Cole answered no; employees are to be paid for all hours worked.

Motion passed.

Fire Department- A written report was submitted. Chief Lafferty said he has arranged for an electrical company to come out and check the service to the air compressor. The department is progressing along with the online burn permit program. The snow on the roof issue was discussed at the department meeting. It is thought that a plough added to truck 1 would be the answer. The issue with the truck not starting was an O ring and that has been repaired.

Building Department- 1 permit which amount to \$250.00.

The Planning Commission – Trustee Hallman said the Planning Commission worked on the accessory building issue. They are waiting on Attorney Lattie to review. They are still working on temporary structures such as hoop houses. The Planning Commission met with the owners of the Karate School and they are all set.

Assessor Report- A written report was given to board members. Cole read the report.

Attorney Report: David Lattie was not in attendance.

Old Business: None.

New Business: 2016 Law Day Proclamation

Supervisor Cole proclaimed May 1, 2016 is designated Law Day in Argentine Township. Motion, Cole, seconded by Graves to adopt May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 Law Day Proclamation. Motion passed.

Copy Machine:

Our 5-year lease is expiring on the Toshiba copy machine. The Clerk has met with the Toshiba representative to discuss cost saving options. It is Clerk Graves recommendation that we sign the master lease agreement with maintenance for a Toshiba 457 black & white device. The cost will be \$111.50 per month.

Moved by Cole, seconded by Ciesielski to authorize the Clerk to sign a new 60 month agreement for a Toshiba copy machine. Motion passed.

Specifications for Heating & Cooling Bids: Cole said he would like us to seek bids to replace the system using the specification sheet in 3 separately priced bids for the office, the meeting room and the lower level and also include 1 bid for all 3 areas to see if we can save on the cost.

Motion, Ciesielski, second, Hallman to authorize the Clerk to advertise for bids for heating and air conditioning needs. Motion passed.

Engineering Proposal for Silver Lake Rd. Shared Use Path- Phase 1:

Cole said the cost is \$27,500 for Phase 1. There is not money in this year's budget to do this. We can look at funding this for the next budget year.

Engineering Proposal for Silver Lake Rd. Shared Use Path- Lobdell Rd. to Linden Limits:

The cost of this is \$54,500. Cole said we do not have funding for this project this year. We will place an ad in the newspaper asking for residents that are interested in serving on a committee to work on this issue. Ciesielski said we will look for grants to make this project happen.

Chloride Contract:

The 2016 Dust Control Program will be available for 3 applications at a cost of \$0.604/gallon at an application rate of 2000 gal/mile.

Motion, Cole, second, Hallman to approve the 2016 Dust Control contract at the rate of 38% Calcium Chloride spread at a rate of 2000 gallons/mile for 3 applications. Motion passed.

Haviland Beach Road Paving-

We have an agreement. Cole said the cost is \$253,000. This is for the additional .29 miles of the road to be improved with base crush & shape 4' HMA, shoulders & storm water outlet. Engineering and Inspection. We have already signed the original agreement. Motion, Hallman, seconded by Graves to sign the agreement for road improvement of the added .29 miles of Haviland Beach Dr. Motion passed.

Public comment:

Christina Granger- 313 N. Saginaw St., Byron. - Asked about Argentine Township polices on domestic violence and sexual harassment. Also asked what the state requires.

Business from Board Members:

Hallman- A resident asked me about roads being graded on Duffield Rd.

Ciesielski- We have a sanitary sewer easement. I want to thank Supervisor Cole for that. He is meeting with Fenton Township also. I really appreciate his efforts.

Graves- We will have a May election for Linden School voters only. Absentee ballots have been mailed out. We will hold the May election at the Fire Hall as a combined precinct.

Cole- I spoke with Treasurer Schmidt. He has asked me to direct our attorney to give us a proposed ordinance to deal with kids skateboarding and roller skating on township property.

I want to wish my granddaughter, Haley Grace Cole, a very happy 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday!

Adjournment at 7:30p.m.

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Denise Graves, Clerk

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Robert Cole Jr., Supervisor

