

The Suffield Township Board of Trustees met at the Administration Building on January 23, 2018 for paying the bills of the Township. Chairman Thomas Calcei called the meeting to order at 7:00 AM. Present were Board Members Jared Phillip, Thomas Calcei, Jeff Eldreth, and Lori Calcei, Fiscal Officer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Eldreth to approve the January 1, 2018 Re-organizational minutes as submitted by the Fiscal Officer.

Roll Call: Mr. Calcei- Yes-, Mr. Eldreth-Yes, Mr. Phillip-Yes

ROAD REPORT

Mr. Eldreth and Mr. McBroom informed us of the following:

1. One of our trucks broke down.
2. The mower has been repaired and is back.
3. We still have enough salt, we are half way through our quota.
4. Roger Klodt contacted Mr. Eldreth about organizing a group to meet with the County Engineer to discuss road issues. He asked Mr. Eldreth to represent Suffield Township.

NIMISHILLEN TOWNSHIP

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Eldreth to renew the annual emergency dispatching contract with Nimishillen Township.

Roll Call: Mr. Eldreth- Yes-, Mr. Calcei-Yes, Mr. Phillip-Yes

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Robert Rasnick reported that the Fire Department held (5) Continuing Education Classes and the following (62) Calls during the month of December:

(46) EMS Calls, (3) Vehicle Accident Calls, (7) Fire Response Calls, & (6) Mutual Aid Calls and the following (746) calls for 2017.

(500) EMS Calls, (49) Vehicle Accident Calls, (144) Fire Response Calls, (49) Mutual Aid Calls, & (4) Water Rescue.

2012 AMBULANCE

Chief Rasnick stated that the 2012 ambulance is back in service. The manufacture of the ambulance repaired the metal oxidation on the vehicle Free of Charge. We utilized the loaner ambulance 6 times while our ambulance was in service.

FIRE DEPARTMENT (Roster)

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Eldreth to acknowledge the resignation of Mr. Randy Porter and Mr. Chris Dinkens from our Fire Department roster effective January 19, 2018.

Roll Call: Mr. Calcei- Yes-, Mr. Eldreth-Yes, Mr. Phillip-Yes

BALLISTIC VESTS

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Phillip to approve a PO in the amount of \$7000.00 to Southeastern Equipment to purchase 5 ballistic vest for our EMS responders to wear when they respond to calls where violence is likely. This motion was passed after some discussion on the need for the vests. Tim Hinkle explained that 2 sets will be on each ambulance and one on the support vehicle.

Roll Call: Mr. Phillip- Yes-, Mr. Eldreth-Yes, Mr. Calcei-Yes

ZONING REPORT (1560 Carriage House)

Mr. Bey informed us of the following:

1. That they are hoping to schedule a "walk through" of the house at 1560 Carriage House Dr. sometime next week, but it is hard to coordinate everyone schedules.
2. The Trustees also receive a letter from the new owner of 1560 Carriage House Dr. stating that his intentions are to begin rehabilitation of the property. He has scheduled a structural engineer to come and evaluate the house and has an appointment with a contractor to access the damage of the basement wall. He stressed that this house will not set idle.

PORTAGE COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

It was moved by Mr. Phillip and seconded by Mr. Calcei to appoint Adam Bey as Suffield Township representative of the PCRPC and to appoint David Vartenuk as the alternate. The terms will be for 2 years.

Roll Call: Mr. Calcei- Yes-, Mr. Eldreth-Yes, Mr. Phillip-Yes

CEMETERIES

There was some discussion on our now closed cemeteries. While there are no grave sites available, the Trustees need to determine a policy on allowing the burial of cremation urns in plots where a casket is already interred. They will look into working on a new policy.

BUILDING SIGNANGE

There was more discussion on the new signs for the building. No decision was made.

COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

1. The question was asked on when we were going to hire a new part-time road worker. Mr. Eldreth stated that we are working on this.
2. There was a complaint about phone books being left on the roads.
3. There was a complaint that the Christmas lights are still on at the Town Hall and Administration Building.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Eldreth to go into Executive Session at 7:55 per exception (ORC 121.22) (G (3)). The Trustee came out of Executive Session at 8:57.

Roll Call: Mr. Eldreth- Yes-, Mr. Calcei-Yes, Mr. Phillip-Yes

VSSR CASE

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Eldreth to give the Township's attorney Tim Pero the authority to negotiate a new settlement with Mrs. Diane Knapp.

Roll Call: Mr. Calcei- Yes-, Mr. Eldreth-Yes, Mr. Phillip-Yes

PAYMENT OF BILLS

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Eldreth to approve payment of all Wages, Invoices, Bills and/or Committed Obligations as prepared by the Fiscal Officer per warrants No. 42657 through 42683, voucher 34 and EFTs 1-32.

Roll Call: Mr. Calcei- Yes-, Mr. Eldreth-Yes, Mr. Phillip-Yes

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Calcei and seconded by Mr. Eldreth to adjourn the meeting. (9:15 a.m.)

Roll Call: Mr. Eldreth- Yes-, Mr. Calcei-Yes, Mr. Phillip-Yes

<u>Thomas Calcei, Chairmen</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Lori Calcei, Fiscal Officer</u>
<u>Jared Phillip</u>	M01232018	<u>Jeff Eldreth</u>

