

Pike Township Trustees**Regular****Monday, March 1st****10****Regular Meeting**

Vice President Don Charnetzky called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Trustees Paul Mosberger was present as well as Fiscal Officer Steve Knox. Doug Baum was Absent. Others in attendance were Nancy Collier(PressNews), Clarence Flowers, Bob Anstine, John Miller, Nancy Snyder, Gary Braun, Randy McNutt, Mark Crank, Scott Zollens, Tracy Weaver, Ken Young, Gary Alkire, Zoning Inspector Sharon Perrine, and Road Supervisor Mark Pahanish.

A motion was made by Mosberger accepting the minutes and financials as presented. Seconded by Charnetzky.

1st Public Speaks Session

Anstine thanked the road crew for doing such a good job on the roads and how you can really tell when you leave the Township.

He was also interested in mowing the Bowman Cemetery again like he has done the last few years. Mosberger stated that the road crew was going to do it themselves this year and see how things go.

Mark Crank from Kimble Clay and Limestone, stated that they would be blasting on the South side either Wednesday or Thursday and if there is anyone who would want called ahead of time, to please let him know.

Randy McNutt from the East Sparta Little League Baseball Association wanted to see if the Township would once again provide the dumpster at the fields.

A motion was made by Mosberger to provide a dumpster to the East Sparta Baseball Association. Seconded by Charnetzky.

Scott Zollans from Scott's Lawncare, stated that he was looking for a small increase over last year, but will keep it the same to keep it from being bid out. Also, it was stated that the road crew would straighten up all of the stones, and then if any were knocked out of place while mowing, that the mower would be responsible for correcting the stone.

A motion was made by Mosberger to keep Scott's Lawncare for mowing Melscheimer's Cemetery at the same contract price as last year. Seconded by Charnetzky.

Clarence Flowers thanked the road crew for doing such a good job on the roads this winter. Mr. Flowers said that the residents are in the dark about the people that the Board of Trustees appoints to the various boards. He wondered if they could meet the people prior to the Trustees hiring them.

Charnetzky said he was glad this was brought up, because he wanted to reiterate that there was not collusion between him and Mosberger on appointing Scott Brown to the Zoning Commission like some people suggested. He did know that Mr. Mosberger was going to make a motion to

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put Scott Brown on the Zoning Commission, but that was all that was discussed. He added that he made a mistake by seconding so quickly without giving the people a chance to talk about it, and he learned a lesson from this experience.

Mosberger added that he went to the Ohio Township Association meeting and one of the first speakers that he heard discussed their process of hiring a new person. They gather a lot of resume and applications, and they then sort them by only looking at their experience. Then after they get the experienced candidates, they choose the best candidates not based on experience, but other qualities. He felt better after he heard that because not the most experienced person should get the job, but the best fit. The Zoning Commission Board should be made up of a variety of people including one poor person, one rich person, one landowner and one resident from an allotment.

Nancy Collier on behalf of the Press asked Charnetzky about him saying last meeting that he was committed to Mitch Brown. Charnetzky stated that he knew that the other two weren't going to change their minds, so he talked to Mitch Brown and told him he would bring him up for the appointment the next time.

Knox asked Mosberger who on the board is a poor person, a rich person, a landowner, an allotment house owner and where does Scott Brown fit in? What category is he? Mosberger said he is a landowner.

Mosberger then stated that he was looking for a neutral person like Scott Brown. Arnie Adams asked if Scott Brown was the one that has sued the zoning appeals board twice? Mosberger said yes. Adams stated than how is that a neutral person. Charnetzky said wait, are you going to hold it against a person because they are using the constitution to, but then stopped midsentence as Knox shook his head. Discussion ended.

New Business

Mosberger stated that he was at the Ohio Township Association meeting and went to quite a few classes that were very good. He has a few more classes to attend and hopes to finish up this year.

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Nothing at this time.

Sherriff's Report

No report at this time.

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A motion was made by Charnetzky accepting the Permanent Appropriations as presented.
Seconded by Mosberger.

Resolution #03-2010 was passed accepting the following 2010 Permanent Appropriations:

General Fund \$685,000
Motor Vehicle \$37,000
Gasoline Tax \$111,000
Road and Bridge \$260,000
Cemetery \$117,000
Lighting Assessment \$6,300
Fire District \$124,000
Road District \$50,700

Total \$1,391,000

Road Report

Pahanish read the road report.

Picked up trash, and did a lot of snow control.

Furnace in the back part of the garage needs replaced. \$1,475 dollars Keith Fry. Charnetzky made a motion that we get one more bid, but can spend up to \$1,475 dollars on replacing the furnace. Seconded by Mosberger.

Zoning Report

Perrine read the zoning report.

Second Public Speaks

Nothing at this time.