

**The Board of Trustees of Sugarcreek Township, Greene County, Ohio, met in Work Session on September 15, 2014, at 5:45 p.m., at 2090 Ferry Road, Sugarcreek Township, Ohio 45305.**

1. Mr. Bryant called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.
2. Mr. Hodson called the roll with Board Members Nadine Daugherty, Mike Pittman and Scott Bryant being present. In addition to Mr. Tiffany, Township Administrator, others present were Cara Tilford, Chief Pavlak, Chief Brown, and Chris Zappanti.

**Discussion Items –**

Changes in Rates – Mr. Tiffany said there were two change in Rates Resolutions on tonight's agenda. He said one is for permits for working in Township road right-of-ways and the other is for Hazardous materials apparatus rates. Mr. Tiffany said road work permit fees will increase from thirty to fifty dollars. Chief Pavlak said we need a rate increase for reimbursement charges for equipment dispersed for hazardous materials clean up calls. He said the amount varies with the equipment required. Chief Pavlak said typically, for a fire engine the rate will increase from \$150 dollars to \$172 dollars per hour. He said these rates are in line with surrounding entities. Mr. Bryant said he was okay with it as long as we are in line with other entities. Mr. Tiffany said we have a Resolution tonight for the Acceptance of Rates for our tax levies. Mr. Bryant asked what all was included in inside millage. Mr. Tiffany said the schools and the County were also included. Mr. Tiffany said we could increase our millage if Beavercreek Schools took the students in Calloway Hills. He also said we are now working directly with David Graham regarding the mapping error in Kettering restricting our available millage for General Fund.

Park District – Cara said the Park District is going to redo the parking lot at the Community Center to mitigate some of the drainage going into the Little Miami. She said the project is 250 thousand dollars and they are asking the County for 90 thousand from their Capital Improvement Fund and would like our approval.

Animal Control rate changes – Mr. Tiffany said he got a call from Dr. Brown saying the rate for feral cat pick up will increase to seventy five dollars. He said the City of Fairborn pays seventy five dollars and found out that some entities only paid twenty five dollars. Mr. Tiffany said they complained to the Commissioners who decided to make all rates the same. He said our rates will increase from twenty five to seventy five dollars.

Salt - Mr. Tiffany said we need to make a decision on our road salt. He said eight agencies are getting salt in the County. Mr. Tiffany said we have 2,000 tons coming, of which we need 700, leaving 1,300 extra. He said our goal was to share with other agencies as agreed upon in an earlier meeting. He said there was enough for all agencies to receive 74% of their normal needs. Mr. Tiffany said this has already fallen apart since some agencies have decided to do otherwise. After some discussion, considering the cost of the salt ( double last year), that supplies should return to normal and considering our original commitment, the Board decided to stick with the original plan and sell the extra 1300 tons.

Zoning – Cara said the Tabled Resolution for the Landings is on the agenda for tonight. She said Michael Copfer will be here for Hills Development. Cara handed out the proposed changes from Hills which included a loss of one lot, entrances like Big Tree and additional buffer space on the Bellbrook side. Mr. Bryant said most of the Cul-de-sacs have open areas. The Board all agreed they were okay with the new plan.

Cara said she will be sending out about 250 letters to property owners regarding Compensatory Storage. She said the BZC would like to have a Public Hearing tentatively on October 14<sup>th</sup> at the Middle School. She said arrangements have yet to be made.

Cara said she is working on sponsors for the Safe Routes to School 'Ride or Walk to School Day' event at the school. Cara said it will be on the morning of October 8<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Tiffany told Chief Brown on-line bids for their vehicle was up to 2300 dollars. He said the old ladder truck has also been put on Gov. Deals. Chief Pavlak said FEMA has a restriction on the use of the fire trucks. He said they can't be used as a first line service vehicle and can't be used for emergency response.

Mr. Tiffany said there is a thirty five thousand dollar reserve on it. Mr. Bryant asked what the scrap value was. Chief Pavlak said he wasn't sure but the scrap value for the aluminum boom alone is about eight or nine thousand. Mr. Bryant said maybe we should drop to ten thousand with a twelve or thirteen thousand dollar reserve. Mr. Pittman and Mrs. Daugherty agreed.

Centerville TIF – The Board discussed Chief Pavlak's on-going negotiations with Greg Horn, of Centerville, regarding funding from the TIF. The negotiations have been fruitless to date and the Board agreed they would like to pursue the negotiations to a conclusion sometime soon.

Staffing changes – Chief Pavlak gave the Board a sheet listing his proposed staffing changes and promotion of two employees to Captain. He said Terry Trepanier, current part-time Fire Marshal, will be retiring and he proposes to eliminate that position and make it part of the full-time Captain's duties. He said this will save us money.

Mr. Bryant moved to adjourn at 8:51 pm. Mr. Pittman seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mr. Pittman – Yes  
Mrs. Daugherty – Yes  
Mr. Bryant – Yes

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