

Granville Township
Minutes of Regular Meeting May 23, 2012

Present: Trustees Paul Jenks and Dan VanNess, Fiscal Officer Jerry Miller, and Betsey Hampton, Recording Secretary
Department Heads: Jeff Hussey
Guests: Brian Miller, Granville Sentinel
Ron Howard, 46 Clover Ct.

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Jenks at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Mason arrived at 7:02 p.m.

On a motion by Trustee VanNess and a second by Trustee Jenks, by a unanimous affirmative vote the minutes of the regular meeting on May 9, 2012 were approved as submitted and revised.

Correspondence:

Fiscal Officer Miller stated he received the Big O performance bond in the mail today. F.O. Miller thanked Trustee Jenks for his help in ensuring the bond was sent to the Township.

F.O. Miller received a letter from David R. Hill, Inc., informing the Trustees an application for a permit to drill an oil and gas well has been submitted to ODNR, Division of Mineral Resources Management. F.O. Miller discussed the policy for approval of the permit. Once the permit has been received back from ODNR and been approved, the Township will place the application on the Township website.

F.O. Miller also reported the 2010-11 Granville Township audit has been completed and audit results have been received. The audit was completed by Wilson, Shannon & Snow, Inc.. F.O. Miller has not yet had a chance to review the entire document. The Township Trustees have been provided a copy of the audit. Trustee Jenks reported he looked through the audit briefly and it appeared there were no adverse comments. F.O. Miller will review the audit in more detail, and said he believes there is a provision to post the audit results. F.O. Miller will research the exact provision and will post the results as required.

Trustee Mason questioned whether all Trustees received correspondence from the Licking County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. All Trustees received the correspondence. Trustee VanNess stated the correspondence has some information concerning the MS4 program. Trustee VanNess stated there was information about six Minimum Control Measures (MCMs) in the document. Trustee

VanNess suggested to help the Township better comply with the MS4 program, the six MCMs information should be added to the Township website.

Trustee VanNess questioned whether the website update would be initiated by F.O. Miller. Trustee VanNess stated retired F.O. Kennedy was in the process of revamping the website a few months ago, possibly with the help of Chief Hussey. Chief Hussey stated there had been some discussion of updating the website, but retired F.O. Kennedy worked on it himself. Chief Hussey stated Lt. Curtis would be very knowledgeable in helping revamp the website. F.O. Miller stated he could add the six MCM's to the current website and would also reach out to Carla Carson of Alpha Link to determine the status of the new website.

There are no actions required concerning the Licking County Planning Department documents.

Chief Hussey was provided a copy of the flood information portion.

Public Comment:

Mr. Ron Howard addressed the Trustees and thanked Trustee Jenks for comments made at the last Granville Township Trustee meeting. Mr. Howard stated he is in agreement with Trustee Jenks concerning the possible Granville Recreation District (GRD) levy. Mr. Howard stated he does not believe the community is ready for the proposed community center and discussed his concerns. Mr. Howard discussed the high dollar amount, 21.3 million, when the Village is not able to come up with money to support a much needed combined safety service center for the Village and Township. He stated the police department headquarters is antiquated. He stated the safety service center is a need while the community center is a want. The community center would be for a minority of people to use, and is not needed when there are other facilities such as CoCo Keys in the area. Mr. Howard does not think Granville can afford a community center.

Trustee Jenks thanked Mr. Howard for his comments. Trustee Jenks stated he spoke for all the Trustees when he spoke at the last meeting, as the Trustees had collectively discussed the issue. The Trustees are concerned with needs and wants. There are needs, such as fire, roads, and water and prices are going up for them. The Trustees are worried people may move out because of high taxes. The Trustees are concerned it will reach a point where people turn down levies for needs because they are indebted to wants. A number of people have approached Trustee Jenks on the street and said the very same things Mr. Howard stated.

Trustee VanNess reported Justin Lodge and Andy Wildman with the GRD stated they were going to be sending out a survey later this month which would be done by June. Mr. Howard stated he read in the paper the survey will be sent to a select group, not to everyone. Trustee VanNess stated the GRD discussed they were sending the survey to registered voters.

Mr. Howard also commented the GRD is planning on having the senior center as part of the community center. He stated the current senior center, newly renovated at building G in the former Dow site, is a nice facility. He is a member of the senior center and has spoken to many who do not want to have the senior center moved to the community center. They do not want to be where the kids hang out and prefer their own facility.

Mr. Howard also commented and asked questions concerning the Weaver Drive annexation. Mr. Howard questioned whether the annexation included only the east side of Columbus Rd./Cherry St. extension. Trustee Jenks explained the annexation is only the east side of the road. Mr. Howard questioned whether the road is maintained by the county or the state. The Trustees were not able to answer as to maintenance of the road as Superintendent Binckley was not present. Mr. Howard commented the west side of Columbus Rd., including the former BP gas station, is an atrocious looking approach to Granville. The weeds have not been cut on either side of the road.

Trustee Jenks related the old BP station is within Granville Township and is privately owned by Metropolitan Partners. Metropolitan Partners is the same company who owns the land being annexed on the other side of the road. Trustee Jenks reported in the past the Township has requested Metropolitan Partners to clean up the old gas station site, including removal of an old camper. Metropolitan Partners did clean up the site. Trustee Jenks stated the Trustees could again ask Metropolitan Partners to clean up the site, and they will probably be willing to trim the weeds.

Trustee Jenks indicated there is a possibility after the development of the annexed land has been completed that Metropolitan Partners could develop the land they own on the west side of the road.

Trustee VanNess reported 32 acres is being annexed and only about 12 of the 32 acres toward Weaver Drive are developable, the rest is in a flood plain and cannot be developed. Only about a third of the annexed land will be able to be developed. The land toward the bridge and the river is in a flood plain.

Elected Officials Reports:

Fiscal Officer Miller

On a motion by Trustee VanNess, and a second by Trustee Jenks, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the following appropriation transfers were approved:

From 2041-410-599-0005 Cemetery - Fuel	200.00
To 2041-410-599-0009 Cemetery – Next Yr. c/o	200.00

On a motion by Trustee Jenks, and a second by Trustee VanNess, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the following warrants, withholding vouchers, debit memos, EFT's and if applicable, then and now purchase order certificates were approved for payment and processing:

E4916	Bain	285.63	N/A	Barnhill	.00
E4917	Binckley	1604.29	E4918	Borden	455.52
E4919	Bowman	1544.08	E4920	Bryan	1003.48
E4921	Butt	749.98	E4922	Clemens	1208.69
N/A	Connor	.00	E4923	Coyle	129.08
E4924	Curtis	1739.83	E4925	DuBeck	227.19
E4926	Duncan	165.87	N/A	Essick	.00
E4927	Gottfried	156.44	E4928	Hall	1420.23
N/A	Hampton	.00	E4929	Harrison	255.09
E4930	Henry	636.31	E4931	Hill	1247.82
E4932	Hussey	2506.72	N/A	Jenks	.00
E4933	Jones, A	490.77	E4934	Jones, B	628.63
E4935	Kindell	238.41	E4936	Leckrone	318.87
E4937	Lynn	501.58	N/A	Mason	.00
E4938	May	483.11	E4939	Meisenhelder	582.96
N/A	Miller	.00	E4940	Monroe	1330.75
E4941	Poe	285.55	E4942	Reece	1196.89
E4943	Riley	96.94	E4944	Saunders	780.01
E4945	Smith	261.89	E4946	Thompson	1385.99
E4947	Tracy	128.39	N/A	VanNess	.00
E4948	Watling	284.79	8611	Bound Tree	50.80
8612	C-TEC	1350.00	8613	Fire House	123.00
8614	Jan Packard	24.00	8615	KE-WA-PA	279.88
8616	Korda	1579.00	8617	M Romei	86.23
8618	OH Health	127.50	8619	Treasurer-GSD	100.00
8620	Wilson, Shannon, Snow	4625.00	8621	Chromate	641.40
8622	Sir Speedy	235.00	8623	Tire Centers	741.88
8624	Wright Brothers	6023.15	8625	Jae's Towing	1300.50
8626	MT Business	56.88	8627	Sprint	103.24
WV114	IRS	4933.52	WV115	Deferred Comp	1585.00
WV116	OCS Knox Co	1088.91	WV117	Granville Village	977.41
WV118	OH IT	2062.66	WV119	School IT	170.87
WV120	OPERS	5129.44	WV121	OP&F	16,812.58
8628	PNB-FSA	1153.78	WV122	AFLAC	701.72

I hereby certify the funds were on hand or in process of collection and properly appropriated for payment of the aforementioned warrants.

Jerry A. Miller, Fiscal Officer

Workers' Compensation – Managed Care Organization

F.O. Miller reported the Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) bi-annual open enrollment period for the managed care organization (MCO) provider was up for

renewal. The Township's current managed care provider is CareWorks. F.O. Miller recommended continuing with CareWorks based upon the MCO Report Card prepared by BWC, which scored CareWorks the highest. CareWorks is also the recommended MCO by the Ohio Township's Association.

Trustee VanNess made a motion to allow F.O. Miller to renew the two year managed care provider contract with CareWorks. Trustee Jenks seconded the motion, and after no further discussion the motion was passed by unanimous vote.

Cemetery Levy

F.O. Miller discussed the cemetery levy with the Trustees. F.O. Miller reported at the last Trustee meeting approval was given to begin looking into a possible cemetery levy because the current five year levy stops collection at the end of 2013. F.O. Miller contacted the Prosecutor's Office to obtain the correct resolution language and Cindy Haas at the Auditor's Office and received preliminary estimates of how much money would be received if the Township continued the .5 mil levy. She determined the difference between a renewal and replacement levy would be less than \$2,000.00.

F.O. Miller has met with Trustee Jenks and Superintendent Binckley and began exploring the Township's cemetery finances and analyzing the information concerning the current .5 mill levy. They are still working on the analysis. Within the next few weeks F.O. Miller will provide detailed information to the Trustees and at the next meeting will seek the Trustees' approval to move forward with the levy. The first step would be a resolution to request the County Auditor to certify the valuation and revenue information. The final step to place the levy on the ballot would be the passage of a resolution declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation and send it to the Board of Elections. Everything must be completed by early August 8, 2012 to have it placed on the November 2012 ballot.

Trustee Jenks asked F.O. Miller to provide a series of line item cost projections up thru 2018. Footnotes will be added to document any assumptions and to provide clarity. The document will provide the Trustees with information they need to have an informed discussion. A worst case scenario is the Township will need to look at more millage if the expenses are greater than the incoming money and/or identify things needing cut from the budget. F.O. Miller has started on the spreadsheet. The spreadsheet will be completed through 2018 as taxes are paid a year in arrears.

Trustee VanNess discussed the status of Union Cemetery funding. The date for the Village to report to the Township is August 1, 2012. Trustee Jenks reported the Township will have to act on the levy issue prior to the meeting concerning the Union Township Cemetery. The Union Cemetery Board meeting was delayed because committee members wanted to talk to the Fannin's concerning headstone repair. The Fannins will not arrive until June 5th. The concern is how much longer headstone repair will need to be done as currently 50% or more of the money spent is for headstone repair. Expenses could be cut considerably if headstone repairs are nearly finished.

Trustee Jenks reported he asked Trustee VanNess for the name of the mowing company currently mowing the Welsh Hills Cemetery. The cemetery committee wants to explore what the cost would be if the Union Cemetery was mowed independently. Trustee VanNess reported he talked to Dave Price today and is going to provide the name of the mowing company that maintains the Welsh Hills Cemetery. Trustee VanNess stated he would like to know the information for Union Cemetery to help coordinate with the Township cemetery levy. Trustee Jenks discussed the timing will not be right as they will not have the answers prior to the time when the Township will need to make a decision on a levy.

Trustee Jenks reported the Union Cemetery Board is aware the current funding of \$21,000.00 plus the \$4,000.00 to \$5,000.00 the Township provides in services is probably beyond the Township's ability to fund in the future. Trustee Jenks met with Lynne Boone and other people on the Union Cemetery Board concerning costs at the Old Colony Cemetery. They are each going to take one component of the costs and review it. Lynne Boone is going to look at headstone repair. Trustee Jenks is going to examine the mowing and maintenance costs. Everyone has a component to examine and they will then meet to see what can be done.

Trustee VanNess questioned the Township's budget for headstone repair done at Maple Grove Cemetery. Trustee Jenks reported little headstone repair is done at Maple Grove Cemetery. Trustee Jenks discussed if a headstone at Maple Grove needs repaired, the family is contacted and is responsible for having the repair done. If the headstone was damaged by the Township during mowing, the Township will pay for the repair. New mowers enabled the Township to reduce damage to headstones. Trustee Jenks reported there is a negligible amount of money in the budget for headstone repair at Maple Grove. If there is damage by the Township it is repaired through a local monument company.

Elected Official reports:

Trustee Jenks:

Trustee Jenks reported he attended the Old Colony Cemetery meeting.

Trustee Jenks reported he attended the Chamber luncheon on development on May 16, 2012. Guest speakers spoke about how development was approached within their communities.

Trustee Jenks reported he and Superintendent Binckley began meeting with interested parties concerning brine usage. They are scheduled to meet with County Officials next week. Trustee Jenks has also had phone conversations with people who have environmental concerns about brine usage on the roads.

Trustee Jenks had phone conversations with Victoria Wellington, who lives across from the Sugarbush. Ms. Wellington claimed the grass in Sugarbush is too long and is beyond what is safe and attractive. Trustee Jenks indicated the Kiwanis lease the Sugarbush land and have contracted to have it mowed two times per year. There has been an early growing season this year. The Kiwanis normally mow around the first of June and

before the fall. Ms. Wellington was told Kiwanis would mow the area by June first. Trustee Jenks reported Ms. Wellington would like the Trustees to see if the Kiwanis will mow the area three times per year. Trustee Jenks reported the Kiwanis have a lease and contract and he does not believe the language of the contract can be changed. Trustee Jenks advised Ms. Wellington to appeal to the Kiwanis to mow the land more often.

Trustee Jenks stated the Trustees had begun to talk about adopting a logo which would be unique to Granville Township and could be placed on Township letterhead and trucks. Superintendent Binckley and one of his friends designed possible logos, and Trustee Jenks presented the samples to the Trustees. The Trustees discussed the logos and decided they were attractive however, Trustee VanNess suggested the top portion of the open space signs which have been placed on Township open space lands should be adopted as the Township logo. Trustee Jenks agreed and stated when the logo is reduced it should not be too busy or complicated. Trustee VanNess stated using the top portion of the open space sign would provide uniformity. Trustee Mason also agreed with the idea of using the top portion of the sign. It was noted the design of the open space sign was determined following a contest run by the Open Space Committee. Trustee Jenks opined the sign is typical of the Township; the rural area with the college behind.

Trustee Mason:

Trustee Mason reported he has been out through the Township to review reports concerning junk cars, high grass, and weeds. Trustee Mason stated when the Trustees enter executive session he will propose Trustees discuss a property issue.

Trustee VanNess:

Robb property/ proposed pipeline

Trustee VanNess reported he checked with the Prosecutor's Office concerning a request to put a pipeline across the tip of the Robb property. Trustee VanNess stated he received a response from the Prosecutor's Office indicating the pipeline would be a violation. Trustee VanNess sent the notice back to Bob Erhard, who is uncertain if the company wants to proceed further. Trustee VanNess reported Bob Erhard spoke as if someone from the company may come to a Trustees meeting and ask for a variance, but Trustee VanNess believes it is a dead issue. Trustee Jenks thanked Trustee VanNess for his work on this issue.

Row property

Trustee VanNess stated he will discuss information on the Row property later in the meeting.

Tataranowicz Lease

Trustee VanNess reported Superintendent Binckley has been working with Stanley Tataranowicz who leases the Township property on River Rd. Trustee VanNess reported Mr. Tataranowicz said he may try to put some cattle back on the property but it sounds as though he is possibly trying to do this through a sublease. Trustee VanNess reviewed the leasing contract and it does not provide Mr. Tataranowicz the right of assignment. Trustee VanNess stated the Township still wants to have Mr. Tataranowicz

terminate the lease so the Township may reassign it. Trustee VanNess will have Superintendent Binckley work on the situation as it may possibly be accomplished with water being supplied through Mr. Tataranowicz's wife's property. Superintendent Binckley will further explore the issue. Trustee Jenks discussed the subleasing individual may be trying to build water rights into an agreement with Mr. Tataranowicz. Trustee Jenks agreed it would be a separate agreement between the individual and Mr. Tataranowicz. The Trustees only have an agreement with Mr. Tataranowicz. Trustee VanNess stated the sticking point is the water issue.

Trustee VanNess also discussed the need for roofing repairs to the barn on the land being leased by Mr. Tataranowicz. Superintendent Binckley is checking with some roofing companies because the barn roof on the property leaks. Trustee VanNess suggested the Trustees look at the barn. If the roof is not repaired there will eventually be structural damage to the barn. The barn currently is solid. Trustee VanNess stated the Trustees need to determine a long range plan for the barn. In the meantime, Trustee VanNess suggested a roofing company come in and patch the shingles. Trustee Jenks stated the barn is a nice barn and is in good condition. Trustee VanNess discussed the barn at one point had work done possibly to convert it into a house and is very well built. Trustee VanNess is waiting to hear from Superintendent Binckley and hopefully it can be discussed at the next meeting.

Trustee VanNess stated everything else is covered elsewhere in the agenda.

Roads Department:

Superintendent Binckley was excused from the Township meeting. Trustee Jenks presented Superintendent Binckley's report.

F-550 Truck

Superintendent Binckley is preparing the old F-550 truck so it may be viewed by people next week and is preparing it to be placed on GovDeals.com. Chief Hussey and Superintendent Binckley are going to place the F-550 on GovDeals.com by the end of next week.

ODOT Salt Participation Agreement

Trustee Jenks reported Superintendent Binckley said at the last Trustee meeting it was time for the Township to determine the tonnage Granville Township will take as part of the ODOT Salt Participation Agreement. This is made more difficult this year due to the uncertainty whether the Township will continue to use brine, by the previous light winter, and by the uncertainty of predicting what will be needed for the next winter. Trustee Jenks reported Superintendent Binckley has made a recommendation and he estimates 450 tons of salt for the ODOT Salt Participation Agreement. This includes 40 tons for McKean Township and 40 tons for the GVESD. The Township will need to take 80% of this amount, and may purchase up to 120%.

Trustee Jenks has reviewed the model with Superintendent Binckley. The Township has salt remaining in the barn from the 2011-12 year and there is room for at least 100 tons more. If McKean Township and the schools take at least 80% of their salt, even if there is a light winter the Township will still be able to hit its minimum purchase amount. If there is a heavy winter the Township will still have plenty of salt due to the holdover from the previous winter.

Trustee Jenks moved for the Granville Township Trustees to pass the following resolution for the ODOT Salt Participation Agreement. The motion was seconded by Trustee VanNess and was approved by a unanimous vote.

DATE SUBMITTED: _____

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE as adopted for sodium chloride/rock salt requirements for purchase. Effective period: twelve months from date of award, inclusive, or on an effective date as determined by the Director at the time of bid.

Whereas, Section 5513.01(B) of the Ohio Revised Code provides the opportunity for Political Subdivisions including Counties, Townships, Municipal Corporations, Port Authorities, Regional Transit Authorities, State Colleges/Universities and County Transit Boards and others to participate in contracts of the Ohio Department of Transportation for the purchase of machinery, material, supplies, or other articles;

Now Therefore, Be it Ordained, Intending to Be Legally Bound That _____
(Agent)

Hereby Requests Authority in The Name of

Granville Township

(Political Subdivision)

To participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation’s Contract for Rock Salt and Agrees:

- 1) To purchase an estimated salt tonnage, indicated below, exclusively from the vendor awarded the rock salt contract for the county in which said political subdivision is located;

018 NOTE: By executing this agreement and providing an estimated tonnage the Political Subdivision recognizes that Contract 018 will contain a min/max tonnage provision, as determined by the Director at the time of bid but will not exceed 80/120% respectively, for which the Political Subdivision will be responsible.

- 2) To be bound by the terms and conditions of the contract;
- 3) To be responsible for payment directly to the vendor for the quantities purchased under the contract; and
- 4) To be responsible for resolving all disputes arising out of participation in the contract and agree to release the Director of Transportation and the Ohio Department of Transportation from liability for all loss or damage, and from any and every claim or damage resulting from or arising out of participation in the contract pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5513.01(b).

MINIMUM ORDER = 1 TRUCKLOAD / 22 TONS WITHOUT PILER OR 200 TONS WITH PILER

018 Salt Winter Use Contract – 80/120% (Min/Max Tonnage)		
STOCKPILE LOCATIONS	STOCKPILE CAPACITY	TONS REQUIRED (ESTIMATED)
GTWP Service Complex	500 tons	450 tons
1554 Columbus Rd.		
Granville, Ohio 43023		

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Participating Political Subdivisions are intended beneficiaries under this contract and are real parties in interest with the capacity to sue and be sued in their own name without joining the state of Ohio, Ohio Department of Transportation. By signing and returning this agreement, you will be bound to participate in this contract during the upcoming winter season, upon award of the contract to a successful vendor. A participating Political Subdivision cannot change its position during this contract period. Termination of participation is effective upon the expiration date of the contract. Failure of a Political Subdivision to purchase its requirements from the awarded vendor or comply with the terms of this contract may invalidate participation for the following winter season.

Political subdivisions will be required to submit a new participation agreement form every year, indicating storage capacity and stating salt needs for the contract period.

(Authorized Signature and Title) *(Date)*

(Print Exactly as Signed Above)

Licking
(County Location)

Granville Township
(Political Subdivision)

1554 Columbus Rd. (Physical location) PO Box 315 (mailing address)
(Street) *(P.O. Box)*

Granville *Ohio* *43023-0315*
~~*City*~~ *(State)* *(Zip plus 4)*
Travis Binckley *(740) 819-2245*

(Contact Name Responsible for Ordering Salt) *(Phone Number)*
roads@granvilletownship.org

(E-Mail Address)

Note: This Participation Agreement must be received by the Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Contracts, Purchasing Services prior to the mailing of the Invitation to bid.

Upon receipt of the agreement each political subdivision will get added to a list that will be maintained on the Office of Contracts web site. This list will be updated daily on the Contracts web site located at ->

<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/ContractAdmin/Contracts/Purchase/salt.doc>

Email the completed resolution to contracts.purchasing@dot.state.oh.us.

Trustee Jenks reported the original paperwork has been given to F.O. Miller who will send it to the Ohio Department of Transportation.

Trustee VanNess questioned whether there would be time to modify the agreement through the summer. Trustee Jenks responded the Township will not be able to modify the agreement; as the deadline is June 1, 2012. If the Township goes over the 120% amount it will pay market prices. Trustee Mason questioned whether the salt purchased through the agreement can be sold to another Township. Trustee Jenks reported some of the salt already is being sold to McKean Township, therefore the Township is able to sell to other Townships. Granville Township is able to sell the salt to any other agency entitled to participate in the ODOT Salt Participation Agreement.

Trustee VanNess discussed there may be a decision to discontinue the use of brine. Trustee Jenks reported the Township is carrying salt over from the previous winter, and even if the Township uses an additional 200 tons it should be okay. Superintendent Binckley analyzed if it's a heavy winter, the Township should be okay, and if it's a light winter the Township will simply carry salt over again.

Tornado siren on River Rd.

Trustee Jenks reported the tornado siren on River Rd. was inspected and the Granville Police Department called and said it failed the test last week. Chief Hussey re-inspected the siren and ran tests and it is working fine. Chief Hussey stated there have been power outage problems before and he had stopped and checked the breaker. Chief Hussey stated it was possible the breaker was unseated. Chief Hussey reported there is supposed to be a watchdog feature on the sirens which alerts when the siren is out of service.

Trustee VanNess questioned why the Granville Police Department monitors the tornado siren testing. Chief Hussey responded it traditionally has been the police department as they are out on the roads and are more mobile.

Pine Tree Dr. residence

Trustee Jenks reported there is a resident at 345 Pine Tree Dr. in Evergreen Estates with drainage concerns whose basement has flooded twice in twenty years during heavy rains. The resident believes the Township is responsible for the flooding. Trustee Jenks and Superintendent Binckley have each looked at the property and had a discussion with the engineer's office and does not believe the Township is responsible for the resident's

drainage problems. The property sits well above the Township's ditch and Trustee Jenks stated the Township's ditch cannot have an effect on the resident's problem. Superintendent Binckley is going to meet with the resident next week. The resident has stated he will contact a lawyer unless the Township does something to fix the problem. Trustee Jenks stated the lawsuit would be interesting as it would have to prove water is capable of moving uphill without being pumped.

Cemetery Department:
Superintendent's Report provided by Trustee Jenks.

The Township has had one funeral.

Trustee Jenks reported Superintendent Binckley is continuing preparations for Memorial Day and has assured the cemetery will be ready.

Alex Miller, the part time summer employee for the cemetery, started this past Monday and is performing well.

Parks Department:
There was nothing new to report concerning the parks department.

Fire Department:
Pelatonia
Chief Hussey reported the Pelatonia bike ride will go through a portion of Granville Township and will have a rest stop at the Intermediate School. This is a new route and will take place on August 11, 2012. They are expecting up to 5,000 participants. The fire department has been involved in the planning meetings for the ride. The ride will end in Gambier. Chief Hussey suggested Superintendent Binckley will also need to be aware of the route.

Narrow Band Radios
Chief Hussey reported the department completed all the narrow banding of the radios for the department last week.

Tornado Siren
Chief Hussey reported he attended a chief's meeting the previous night and there was a discussion about the tornado sirens. The tornado sirens are activated by radio. There was an oversight in the narrow banding radio project and the siren activation was not addressed. There is a need for every siren in the county to be updated. The cost for updating has been estimated at approximately \$1,000.00 per siren. Chief Hussey reported there are two tornado sirens in Granville Township and one privately owned at Kendall and eight in the Village. The Township will need to develop a strategy for updating the sirens so they are not out of commission. Chief Hussey suggested the Township purchase one circuit board to replace on one siren, then send the former circuit board to the company to be updated and reworked at a lesser cost and then use that circuit board in the next siren. Chief Hussey reported the EMA deadline is December

31, 2012. This is a logistical challenge as the Township does not know the turn-around time for having a circuit board reworked. Chief Hussey stated it is not a good idea to have the tornado sirens not working for any period of time.

There was discussion whether the costs for updating the sirens could be shared with the Village. Chief Hussey reported the Village has eight tornado sirens. Trustee VanNess questioned whether all the sirens in the county have the same circuit boards, but Chief Hussey responded that Newark has an older siren system which cannot be narrow banded at all.

Chief Hussey discussed the siren issue is something the EMA has just shared with the chiefs within the last few days. It will be a challenge for Granville Township, and Chief Hussey will try to take care of it. It will be a much larger challenge for some other communities.

Trustee VanNess questioned Chief Hussey concerning the cost of the circuit boards. Chief Hussey stated the cost of a new board will probably be at least \$1,000.00, but if Granville Township pulls the circuit board and has it reworked the cost should be cut in half. Chief Hussey stated the fire department has done some repair work on the sirens and he feels they can pull the circuit boards and replace them.

Trustee VanNess requested Chief Hussey explore working with the Village and having an eighty and twenty percent cost split as the Village has eight sirens to replace and the Township has two. Chief Hussey will explore the issue with Steve Stilwell and will discuss the logistics and the turnaround time. Trustee VanNess questioned whether calling the Whelen Company would let Chief Hussey know the turnaround time. Chief Hussey replied everyone in the country will be trying to update their sirens and Whelen may become overwhelmed. Chief Hussey stated ideally the update should have been done in a down time, such as during winter when there is less risk of a tornado.

Denison University

Chief Hussey reported the fire department has been busy with several activities at Denison, including graduation. The fire department also conducted an emergency drill and crisis response and also has been working with Denison on emergency notifications. The fire department has also been having ongoing meetings with Denison Officials on student safety and security issues.

Hazardous Materials Team

Chief Hussey also discussed the Homeland Security information packet the Trustees referred to earlier in the evening. It refers to level 1 hazardous materials. The Fire Department is a member of the level 1 hazardous materials team for the County. The Granville Fire Department participated in the recent oil truck accident in Brownsville. There were approximately 2,000 gallons of oil spilled. Although the Granville Fire Department was a long way from the location and arrived half an hour after the accident they did a remarkable job at the scene. They aggressively stopped the spill. Chief Hussey praised the staff for their good work at the accident.

EMS billing

Chief Hussey stated EMS billing has been moving along. Chief Hussey indicated the Township is close to obtaining its Medicare billing approval. An inspector was out last week. EMS billing began May 1st. The first day of collections went smoothly and Chief Hussey anticipates the Department will start seeing revenue in the next few weeks.

Donations

Chief Hussey stated the Fire Department received \$3,000.00 in very kind donations from two individuals. One donation was from the parent of one of the student volunteers. Chief Hussey was very grateful for the donations to the Department.

Flood System

Chief Hussey provided an update concerning the flood system. Chief Hussey has done some work on the flood system. The first portion of the flood system is stream monitoring. The threshold for the system is determined by the Chief. He has set the monitoring so he may receive automatic alerts. The information will be sent directly to Chief Hussey enabling him to take appropriate action.

The second piece of the flood system is flood modeling. This was intended to help the National Weather Service to be more accurate in their predictions. To capitalize for Granville area residents, Chief Hussey has modified the weather alert/reverse 911 system. The reverse 911 system will activate for flood warnings. This was not done previously. It will now send a phone call, e-mail, and text for tornados, and will send a single phone call for a flood warning. It will send an e-mail and text for other storm warnings. Chief Hussey stated it was activated today.

Trustee VanNess discussed the flood studies information. Chief Hussey reported the monitoring information is supposed to help predict more accurate warnings. Trustee VanNess questioned the annual cost of the warning system and requested that F.O. Miller determine the annual cost prior to the next Trustee meeting. Trustee VanNess stated the Trustees are looking at ways to cut expenses from the general fund and should determine if the monitoring system is a need or a want. Trustee VanNess stated the monitoring system is a want. Trustee VanNess discussed the Township can't wait until 2017 and be in crisis, but must fix the budget now.

Trustee Mason stated the issue is tough as the Township wants warnings. It was discussed there would still be flood warnings without the monitoring system. The monitoring system just helps the National Weather Service (NWS) in its predictions. There is also a flood study survey which helps predict floods. Chief Hussey stated the issue is the accuracy. The flood study survey may not be as accurate. Trustee Jenks commented the NWS would know there is a prediction of three inches of rain for a possible area and three inches of rain generally causes flooding within the area, but without the monitoring system the NWS would not know how fast the creeks are rising, etc.

Trustee VanNess commented Granville Township is the farthest upstream for the detection portion. By the time the monitoring system would trigger there is a flood, the Township will already have wet feet. Chief Hussey stated he set his personal warning to trigger before flood stage is reached, based on historical levels. Anyone in the community can set the same thing up on the USGS website and can receive a phone call, e-mail, or text. Trustee VanNess commented the human factor is better than a machine at determining what is going to happen locally. Trustee VanNess commented he has seen the rivers rise quickly and also fall quickly. It is also important what is forecasted. Trustee VanNess stated forecasts are available over the internet and everyone has access to them. Chief Hussey commented it is difficult at night to know what is happening. The last flood caught the department by surprise.

Staff

Chief Hussey requested the Trustees accept a resignation from Pat Connor, who has a new job position with a medical helicopter. Chief Hussey also stated he had two Denison volunteers, Lewis Miranda, and Natalia Medina, who did not successfully pass their EMS course. Chief Hussey requested the two volunteers be removed from the department roster as they did not successfully pass probation.

Trustee Jenks made a motion to accept the resignation of Pat Connor from the Granville Township Fire Department, and to remove Lewis Miranda and Natalia Medina from the Granville Township Fire Department roster. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mason and was passed by a unanimous vote.

Land Management/ Zoning/ Open Space:

Zoning Resolution Changes

Trustee VanNess reported the Zoning Commission will be meeting the first part of June at the Township building. The meeting will concern the proposed changes to fix the one house per five acre rule.

Row property

Trustee VanNess reported the Township received feedback from Austin Lecklider, Licking County Prosecutor's Office, who agreed to send a letter to the Rows concerning the possible easement violation. Assistant Prosecutor Lecklider sent Trustees a copy of the letter sent to the Rows. All Trustees have received a copy of the letter and reviewed. Trustee VanNess stated he believed the oil and gas leases have expired, but is hopeful this letter will keep the Rows from having possible violations. Still on the record is the pipeline easement the Rows signed.

Trustee VanNess made a motion for the Trustees to sign the letter concerning the possible violations and send it to the Rows. Trustee Jenks seconded the motion and it was passed by a unanimous vote.

Comprehensive Plan- status

Trustee Jenks reported Village Councilwoman Barsky contacted him and explained what is happening in the Village to the comprehensive plan and wanted feedback. At the first meeting where the Village had the opportunity to pass the comprehensive plan, it did not pass. At the second meeting there were objections from two individuals who previously had objections during the comprehensive plan committee meetings. Trustee Jenks reported he thought those individual's concerns had been satisfied. At one meeting the individuals had been asked if their concerns had been satisfied and they responded yes. The comprehensive plan will be brought up again at the next meeting and Ms. Barsky wanted to know how this would affect the Township.

Trustee Jenks reported the Township would like to see the comprehensive plan passed so the Township can move forward. The Township would like to see the same plan implemented in the Village and the Township. Trustee Jenks reported he has committed the Township to wait to see what the Village does. Trustee Jenks said Councilwoman Barsky intends to make a presentation at the next Village Council meeting to explain that the individuals who are objecting to the plan have been given opportunities to comment for the past five years.

Trustee Mason questioned where the Township was in regard to the timeline with the County. Trustee Jenks reported the timeline has been stopped and the plan has been withdrawn from the County. The Township will have to begin the timeline all over again and go through a public hearing. Trustee Jenks discussed he was told by Brad Mercer the Village is not making quantum changes to the plan. After the Village makes the changes they will send the plan to the Township, which will only need to review the changes. Trustee Jenks stated he believed the Village was a good partner in the plan and the Township should continue to work with the Village. The approval process will begin again.

Trustee VanNess questioned whether he and Trustee Jenks should attend the Village council meeting to provide support. Trustee Jenks stated he also thought of attending the meeting, but believes Councilwoman Barsky will be capable of handling the discussion at the meeting. Trustee Jenks believed the Township Trustees presence may create more discussion than is necessary. It was commented some of the members of the Village Council who are questioning the comprehensive plan were members of the steering committee which voted unanimously to forward the plan onto the entities.

Old Business

Rotary Bridge Project- status

Trustee Jenks reported there is no change on the rotary bridge project.

New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

Executive Session:

On a motion by Trustee Mason, the meeting was moved into Executive Session under ORC section 122.21(G)(2) for the purpose of discussing possible property acquisition.

After a period of discussion on a motion by Trustee Jenks and a second by Trustee VanNess, with Mason yes, Jenks yes and VanNess yes the meeting was returned to regular session.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.