# Granville Township Minutes of Regular Meeting April 10, 2013

Present: Granville Township/Roads District Trustees\* Paul Jenks, Bill Mason and Dan VanNess,

Fiscal Officer (FO) Jerry Miller and Betsey Hampton, Recording Secretary

Department Heads: Travis Binckley and Jeff Hussey

Guests: Brian Miller, Granville Sentinel Denison University Students

Trustee Jenks called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Jenks reported FO Miller is officiating a game in Columbus and will be late. Trustee Jenks therefore re-ordered the agenda.

### **Public Comment:**

There was no public comment.

# Trustee VanNess:

Trustee VanNess reported he wrote the letter to the Roseview Homeowner's Association. FO Miller printed the letter and provided a copy of the letter to the Trustees for review. Trustee VanNess reported he was unable to locate one resident's address. The resident has a mailbox, but there is not a number on the mailbox.

Trustee Jenks commented the letter looks good. Trustee VanNess reported he put everyone's comments together. Trustee Mason thought Judy Preston's comments were very helpful. Trustee VanNess commented Ms. Preston does a great job with land management.

Trustee VanNess stated if the letter looks good he will have the letter sent to the land owners and homeowners' association. Trustee Jenks agreed it is a good letter and he shared its content with Granville Recreation District (GRD) Director Andy Wildman.

Trustee VanNess reported everything else he has to discuss is covered elsewhere in the agenda.

## Trustee Mason:

Trustee Mason reported he attended a Joint Communications meeting with Chief Hussey. There was nothing to report from the meeting.

Trustee Mason reported he attended an informative safety meeting at Denison with Chief Hussey. There was nothing to report from the meeting.

Trustee Mason stated everything else he has to report is covered elsewhere on the agenda.

## Trustee Jenks:

Trustee Jenks reported he spoke at Dr. Kaplan's environmental dispute resolution class on April 2, 2013. At the class, Trustee Jenks spoke on the issues of passive recreation, open space, etc. Trustee Jenks reported he did not take a position in the meeting, but explained the GRD and

Open Space Committee positions, gave background information concerning the formation of the GRD and information about the Open Space Committee, etc. Trustee Jenks advised he gave students e-mail addresses for the Board of Trustees, Director Wildman, and Granville Village Manager Steve Stilwell. Dr. Kaplan provided the students with the Open Space Committee member's e-mails. The students in the class will break up into teams and act as the GRD, Trustees, etc. The students will act out their parts and meet and try to determine how they think issues should be resolved. Trustee Jenks stressed this is an exercise for the students and is in no way binding.

Trustee Mason questioned whether anyone had been contacted yet. Trustee Jenks responded Director Wildman called and stated he was being interviewed today by the team acting as the GRD.

Trustee Mason reported he received an e-mail today from a student with a series of questions. Trustee Jenks advised he did not give phone numbers, only e-mail addresses. Trustee VanNess reported he also received an e-mail from a student with questions. Trustee VanNess commented the issue concerns the evaluations of properties where some were looking at the property for open space value while some are looking at the property for the possibility of passive recreation. Trustee VanNess reported the priority focus should be open space. There may still be potential for passive recreation and a possibility for the GRD to control the property at a later time. The Township however should focus on the primary concern of preserving open space. Trustee VanNess commented the properties which could have a dual purpose are the ones which are confusing.

Trustee Mason reported his e-mail mentioned conflict. Trustee Mason commented he did not think it was a conflict, rather it was a discussion. Trustee VanNess commented during the previous discussion of the issue the Trustees lost sight of the focus on open space. Trustee VanNess stated this was because the property being reviewed was evaluated as parkland. Trustee VanNess suggested maybe the Trustees should not have listed that category.

Trustee Jenks agreed and stated it would not be bad if a property which would make an ideal park is identified. Trustee VanNess commented if the open space committee identifies a possible park should they be working with the GRD. Trustee Jenks disagreed and stated the Open Space Committee is the Township's subcommittee. The Open Space Committee should work with the Township and the Township should work with the GRD. Trustee Jenks indicated if the Open Space Committee recommended the Township Board consider a property which was exciting as a possible park, the Township would bring in the GRD. Trustee Jenks stated he had a discussion with Justin Lodge which he will report on later in the agenda. Trustee Jenks commented if the property is good, reasonable people will work out a resolution.

Trustee VanNess questioned whether the Open Space Committee should continue evaluating property as parkland. Trustee Jenks stated he believes parkland should be removed and not be a category they should score, but if there is a property which could make a great park the Trustees should be informed.

Trustee VanNess questioned whether Trustee Jenks thought the park portion should be omitted. Trustee Jenks responded he thought it should, but that would be another discussion and should be covered under new business.

Trustee VanNess commented the Open Space Committee is questioning why the Trustees included parkland a year ago. Trustee Jenks responded parkland was their idea, not his idea. Trustee VanNess commented the Trustees approved the scoring sheet the Open Space Committee created.

Trustee Jenks stated there should be a reordering of what the Township is looking for concerning property. Finding parks should not be a priority. Trustee Jenks concluded the discussion should be moved to new business.

# Correspondence Received or Sent:

# Licking County Planning Committee:

Trustee VanNess reported he received notice from the Licking County Planning Committee there will be a public meeting on May 20, 2013. Trustee VanNess reported he is planning on attending the meeting. The meeting will discuss the new language on the 4.7 open space section. Trustee VanNess reported many people at the previous meeting had concerns. The new language looks doable. Trustee VanNess commented he believes the new language may make the changes work. They have one month to review the changes.

Trustee Mason questioned whether Trustee VanNess read the whole document. Trustee VanNess responded he briefly reviewed the document and primarily looked at the areas which were of concern and debated. Trustee VanNess wanted to see the changes which were done. Trustee VanNess stated the document has the potential to work. Trustee Mason reported he also briefly looked at the areas where there were changes and will review the document further.

### Roads District:

### Superintendent's report:

### GovDeals.Com:

Superintendent Binckley reported the Township's old mower, which had been listed on GovDeals.com, sold for \$2,735. The mower will be picked up on Saturday. The amount the mower sold for was above its trade in value. The street sweeper also sold on GovDeals.com for \$660, and has already been picked up by the purchaser.

# Summer Working Hours:

Superintendent Binckley reported they will begin their summer working hours schedule on Monday. They will be working 4-10 hour days, Monday through Thursday. This schedule has been followed for the past two years.

Trustee VanNess questioned how the summer schedule affects the cemetery workers and whether it creates a need for overtime. Superintendent Binckley responded typically the summer

schedule cuts down on overtime. The employees swap hours if they need time off. If there is a weekend burial, the grave will normally be dug on Thursday, and there are tarps which cover the grave site. Trustee VanNess questioned whether the grave ever caves in. Superintendent Binckley reported they occasionally will have a problem with a cave in, but the employees check before burial.

# Old Township Garage Site:

Superintendent Binckley reported the crews spent 3-4 days hauling old concrete and cleaning up the old River Road shop and garage.

## Old Woods Property:

Superintendent Binckley reported the crews hauled approximately 90 tons of stone from the old Woods property. There was rock left after the old barn was torn down last fall. The rock has been taken to be used on Loudon, etc., so the Township will not have to buy rock.

# Tree Trimming:

Superintendent Binckley reported the Township finished trimming trees along River Rd. to prepare for paving.

# Culvert Replacement:

Superintendent Binckley reported the Township replaced a driveway culvert at 228 Granview Rd.

# Resurfacing Project:

Superintendent Binckley reported FO Miller will be placing a notice the Township will be accepting bids on the resurfacing project in tomorrow's Newark Advocate. Superintendent Binckley reported the Township will be ready to open bids during the next Township meeting (4-24-2013).

## Salt Contract:

Superintendent Binckley reported the Township must complete its salt estimate by May 1, 2013, for the 2013-2014 winter season. Superintendent Binckley recommended the Trustees approve a resolution for an estimated usage of 550 tons. Superintendent Binckley reported there are approximately 400 tons of salt left. The Township typically uses 500 tons per year. Superintendent Binckley reported he spoke to McKean Township and to the Granville School District and they are keeping their amounts the same as last year. Superintendent Binckley reported last year the Township estimated 450 tons of salt. This amount worked and the Township filled up to 120% of the estimate.

Trustee VanNess questioned how full the Township salt bins are and Superintendent Binckley responded there is room, and there are 75-80 tons of grits the Township could take out to make more room if necessary. With the grits the Township is at approximately 80% capacity.

Trustee Jenks advised the 550 ton estimate tracks with what the Township has used in the past. Superintendent Binckley reported FO Miller typically acts as the agent regarding the salt contract and purchase.

Trustee VanNess made a motion to approve sending the State of Ohio a purchase estimate of 550 tons of salt for the 2013-14 State Purchasing Contract, and to approve FO Miller to act as Granville Township's agent in matters concerning the salt purchase and contract. Trustee Mason seconded the motion and with no further discussion the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

#### **Bucket Truck:**

Trustee VanNess reported Superintendent Binckley budgeted for the purchase of a bucket truck to use in tree trimming. Trustee VanNess questioned whether Superintendent Binckley had considered purchasing the bucket truck sooner as they are currently trimming trees.

Superintendent Binckley responded they will probably purchase the bucket truck later. The Township generally does most of the tree trimming in the winter months however this year there were issues with water and with the berm being too wet. Superintendent Binckley reported he tries to stay one year ahead on tree trimming and preparation work. This year there were just some spots to be touched up on River Rd. Superintendent Binckley reported he would like to have a bucket truck in service by this fall, if it is within the budget.

## **Cemetery Department:**

## Superintendent's report:

## New Cemetery Rules and Regulations:

Superintendent Binckley reported he is still working on the cemetery rules and regulations.

## Winter Decorations/Spring Preparations:

Superintendent Binckley reported they have removed all the winter decorations such as grave blankets, etc. Everything which was removed has been laid by the side of the building in case someone wants to retrieve anything. Superintendent Binckley reported in the past after things were removed some people wanted the items so they will remain by the building for two weeks and then will be discarded.

Superintendent Binckley reported the crew will begin putting the mulch down early next week if the weather permits. The crew will also begin mowing next week if the weather permits.

## Parks Department/ Granville Recreation District:

## Superintendent's report:

### Snow Fence:

Superintendent Binckley reported Director Wildman contacted him and requested snow fencing again be put up at Raccoon Valley to help distinguish boundaries. Superintendent Binckley reported this is a temporary fix and Director Wildman is aware the snow fence is temporary. John Klauder will be planting trees at Raccoon Valley Park this fall to help define the boundaries.

Trustee Jenks reported the Township put up the snow fence last year for just one season to help keep golf balls from going beyond the fence. Trustee Jenks stated the GRD needs the fence again since they do not have a permanent solution. Trustee Jenks advised Superintendent Binckley to let Director Wildman know the whole Township Board needs to approve the snow fence. It was decided the snow fence is not needed by the Township, but there are labor costs for installation and removal, and the fence will have additional wear. Trustee Jenks suggested the Township again help the GRD by installing the snow fencing but should not do it every year.

Trustee Mason made a motion to carry out the GRD's request for Granville Township to install a temporary snow fence at Raccoon Valley Park. Trustee VanNess seconded the motion and it was approved by a unanimous vote after no further discussion.

# Survey/ Land Swap:

Superintendent Binckley reported he also spoke to Director Wildman about surveying results and possible land swap with Golfland. Nothing further has been done concerning the issue since the last time it was reported. Superintendent Binckley reported he asked Director Wildman to come up with a formal drawing to bring to the Board of Trustees showing exactly what is being discussed. The new County Engineer now requires a formal request for any surveying. Superintendent Binckley reported Director Wildman will present something formal to the Board of Trustees to review in the near future.

Trustee Jenks reported he met with GRD Board Member Justin Lodge and discussed communications and how to improve them between the GRD and Granville Township Trustees. Director Wildman is going to come to more of the Township's meetings, and Mr. Lodge will also attend when asked to do so.

Trustee Jenks reported he and Mr. Lodge reviewed the GRD's status concerning the relationship vis-à-vis parks. Trustee Jenks reported the GRD feels they are the Township's parks partner for active and passive parks. The GRD would like to be included if the Township Trustees think about buying a property for a park. Trustee Jenks commented if the GRD disagrees it does not mean the Township Trustees cannot buy the property. Trustee Jenks advised he believes this is a reasonable solution. Trustee Jenks reported Mr. Lodge polled the GRD Board and the majority agrees with Mr. Lodge. Trustee Jenks reported he and Mr. Lodge discussed many hypothetical situations. The Township Trustees could buy land which they believe is perfect for a park, but if the GRD is not in a good position to operate the park, the Township could operate the park on an interim basis and turn the park over to the GRD at a later date. There were many other possible situations discussed, and the GRD would like to be the sole parks operator in the Township. Trustee Jenks reported they would work together to find solutions to parks' issues.

Trustee Jenks reported he also discussed the 3 year attempt to agree on an operating lease with the GRD with Mr. Lodge. The GRD will give their response to the Trustees within the next few weeks. Trustee Jenks also reviewed the Golfland situation with Mr. Lodge. Trustee Jenks advised Mr. Lodge the land deal was only approved at a high level. If the GRD has identified land to buy and sell they need to come to the Township Board of Trustees and request permission to proceed. The GRD jumped over a step by beginning surveying, etc. The GRD

needs to come to the Township Trustees and present specific information such as square feet and then there will need to be a vote.

# Fire Department:

# Fire Chief's report:

## Kendal Occupancy:

Chief Hussey reported the Fire Department worked closely with Kendal concerning their final occupancy for the apartments. This was previously done with the nursing home side. Kendal is waiting on the State to approve occupancy. There are people moving into the apartments.

## **Denison Meeting:**

Chief Hussey reported he attended the meeting at Denison with Trustee Mason.

#### Runs:

Chief Hussey reported the Fire Department has been busy with structure fires around the County and with fires caused by the dry weather.

#### GovDeals.com

Chief Hussey reported there are currently some surplus hose fittings which were previously approved by the Trustees to be sold on GovDeals.com. The Department is doing spring cleaning.

# Kitchen Remodeling:

Chief Hussey reported the kitchen remodeling project which was previously approved looks wonderful. The employees will be putting in flooring soon. They will be doing some exterior painting soon on the red house and station trim.

## Personnel Matter:

Chief Hussey reported Larry Scheiderer, has been a volunteer lieutenant for six years. Lt. Scheiderer has been a very active volunteer, and is a great person. Lt. Scheiderer would like to do less crew leading and more driving and has requested to be reassigned from lieutenant to firefighter. Chief Hussey recommended approval of Lt. Scheiderer's request.

Trustee VanNess made a motion to approve Lt. Scheiderer's request to be reassigned to the position of Volunteer Firefighter. Trustee Mason seconded the motion and it was approved by a unanimous vote after no further discussion.

# Zoning/Land Issues/Open Space:

Trustee Jenks continued the discussion concerning the Open Space Committee. Trustee Jenks commented he thought the situation became much ado about nothing. If a perfect property for a park is brought to the Township, the Township will call the GRD and begin a discussion. Trustee Jenks commented the bigger issue is what Trustee VanNess brought up previously concerning how to refocus for the Township to receive the biggest bang for the buck on other types of properties, etc.

Trustee VanNess commented he reviewed the two properties discussed at the March 13th Township meeting. The Open Space Committee scored the properties as parkland. The property which was turned down has been farmed. Trustee VanNess commented he believes the Open Space Committee scored the property as possible parkland because it was contiguous to McPeak Lodge. Trustee Van Ness reported the Trustees could have stepped in and asked the property be rescored as farmland. Trustee VanNess stated the FRPP (Farm Ranch Protection Program) could not have been used as the Township could not own the property. FRPP is only for conservation easements. Trustee VanNess stated the Rutherford farm was also scored as possible parkland. Trustee VanNess commented he does not believe taking parkland out would have changed the net result of the Open Space Committee's scores but it might have alleviated the Trustees' concerns.

Trustee VanNess commented he believes when the Trustees are spending open space money they should think of the primary use of it as open space. If the property does have potential to be a park, the GRD could come to the Trustees down the road. Trustee VanNess stated the Township should focus on open space. If there is a piece of property which could be a park it likely could be worked out with the GRD. Trustee Jenks commented he agrees after speaking with GRD Board Member Justin Lodge.

Trustee VanNess commented the biggest complication to working something out would be if a property is bought with open space money, given to the GRD as a park and they then the GRD wanted to build something on the property. If the property is purchased with open space money no permanent structures are allowed. Trustee VanNess opined at that point possibly the GRD could reimburse the Township for the property, but anything done would have to be according to the rules and laws.

Trustee Mason stated the Township needs to get back to the basics of the Open Space Program. The Open Space Program was initiated to protect the Township's borders and look at large acreages of land which have the potential to be developed.

Trustee VanNess questioned what is Trustee Mason's definition of large? Trustee Mason responded large is something where more than three homes could be built. Trustee Jenks commented large would be 80-100 acres. Trustee VanNess commented there are not many big areas left. Trustee Jenks commented the Wolfe property made sense. Trustee Mason commented there should be a block on St. Albans Township and there are other pieces of property which are along the St. Albans Township border. Trustee Mason commented he would be hesitant to say only look at properties with more than 80 acres because there may be a property with 60 acres which blocks a border.

Trustee VanNess commented there is a section of the Comprehensive Plan which includes protecting 20 acre parcels. Trustee VanNess commented the Trustees need to evaluate whether something meets the goals of the Comprehensive Plan. Trustee VanNess stated the Comprehensive Plan is the guiding document for the Township and is supposed to help the Trustees make decisions. Trustee VanNess questioned what is the Comprehensive Plan to be used for if it is not used to help the Trustees make decisions about the Township? Trustees

Mason and Jenks responded the Comprehensive Plan is a guidance document for zoning, not for purchase open space.

Trustee Mason commented he is more interested in the origin of the Open Space Program and what it intended. Trustee Mason stated the Township has strayed from the original purpose of the Open Space Program. Trustee Mason stressed he is not being critical of the Trustees or previous open space acquisitions. Trustee VanNess believed the Township strayed when the Village of Granville annexed the strip near Park Trails. The Township helped and bought land to get the annexation started. The purchases help that quadrant be annexed further in the Township's direction.

Trustee Jenks commented the Trustees are all saying the same thing, but saying it differently. Trustee Jenks stated the Trustees could debate and quote instances where the Comprehensive Plan was followed or not followed, such as if the Comprehensive Plan called for property to remain agricultural or to become residential, etc. Trustee Jenks suggested the Trustees put together ideas on how to refocus the Open Space Program before the next meeting or two. This may mean creating a new scoring plan, resetting goals, limiting goals, etc. Each Trustee will present his ideas. They will be discussed and merged to provide the Open Space Committee with good direction. Trustee Jenks commented a debate about the issue could go on forever but the Trustees should give their best ideas on how to start refocusing in a positive way.

Trustee VanNess commented a hurdle will be doing away with the parkland score. Trustee Jenks commented it is a higher level than just doing away with parkland. Trustee Jenks stated he does not want to prejudice anything and wants to see everyone's thoughts and ideas, including suggested cost discounts, focusing on borders, etc. Trustee Jenks commented a problem is there are so many goals there is not a property in the Township which does not fit. Trustee Jenks commented the Township needs a hierarchy of goals and it is not as simple as taking parkland off the scoring sheet.

Trustee VanNess stated there needs to be something to resolve the conflict concerning whether property is bought as parkland or open space. Trustee Jenks commented it could be part of Trustee VanNess' recommendations. Trustee Jenks requested the Trustees look at the issues at a higher level and do their best to put their ideas together and they can be merged and see what makes sense.

Trustee Mason responded he was willing to present his ideas. Trustee VanNess questioned if the e-mail from Matt Harbage about the Wolfe property was seen. Trustees Jenks and Mason responded they read the e-mail.

Trustee Jenks summarized when everybody is ready with concrete ideas the Trustees will try to come up with a plan to reinvigorate the Open Space Program.

## Old Business:

Rotary Bridge Project-status

Trustee Jenks reported the Rotary Bridge project is moving along. The temporary construction easement across the TJ Evans Foundation path has been filed.

## Hunting Near Township Garage:

Trustee Jenks reported Fiscal Office Miller spoke to Don Martin concerning the farm hunting ban and lease extension. FO Miller has notified Mr. Martin the Trustees intend to bar hunting on the field, and a resolution is needed. Trustee Jenks reported he wrote a letter to Mr. Martin and provided a copy of the letter to the Trustees. FO Miller indicated Mr. Martin indicated he would put together a proposal to extend the lease and include the amount he is willing to pay. Trustee Jenks reported the hunting issue and the lease extension are separate issues. Trustee Jenks stated he reaffirmed with Molly Prasher (Deer Hunting Program Coordinator), the property can be included in the bow hunting program. Trustee Mason reported there is a spelling error in the letter which FO Miller will have to correct.

Trustee Jenks questioned if there were any other objections to the letter after the spelling correction.

Trustee Jenks made a motion to send the corrected letter to Don Martin, Trustee Mason seconded the motion and it was approved by a unanimous vote after no further discussion.

Trustee Jenks reported the corrected letter will be sent and Mr. Martin will come back with an offer concerning the lease extension.

# Spring Clean-up:

Superintendent Binckley reported the Spring Clean-up will take place for two weekends. The Village is doing the Spring Clean-up for two weeks, and the Township will participate the second week. The clean-up will begin Monday May 6th. Superintendent Binckley reported the dumpsters will be delivered by Big O. They will deliver five, thirty yard dumpsters on Friday, May 3, 2013.

Trustee VanNess questioned whether there was a limit of five dumpsters and Superintendent Binckley responded five dumpsters were included in the Township's contract with Big O. Superintendent Binckley stated it has been a few years since all five dumpsters have been filled. The Township has filled three to four dumpsters the last few years. Trustee VanNess questioned if the Township does not fill all the dumpsters and there is a project later where the Township needs a dumpster can it be used? Superintendent Binckley responded he did not know, but could ask the question. Superintendent Binckley advised in the contract the dumpster usage is spelled out for the Spring Clean-up, but can ask whether a dumpster could be used for other issues.

Licking County Engineer's Request to Raise License Plate Tax by \$10:

Trustee Jenks suggested the discussion be tabled as there have been mixed messages. Trustee Jenks reported Kurt Simross called Superintendent Binckley and asked for support for the issue. Trustee Jenks talked to County Engineer Bill Lozier who indicated he did not need a formal motion from the Trustees. Trustee Jenks reported Mr. Simross has not called back. The issue was tabled.

### **Public Comment:**

Denison University students attended the meeting. Trustee Jenks asked if the students had any questions or comments. The students responded they were just observing the meeting.

# Correspondence Received or Sent:

Fiscal Officer (FO) Miller reported he received notice of the Newark Granville Community Authority meeting on May 22, 2013. FO Miller forwarded notice of the meeting to the Trustees. FO Miller questioned whether someone from the Granville Township Board of Trustees attends the meetings? Trustee VanNess reported he has attended the meetings in the past.

Trustee VanNess stated the Newark Granville Community Authority is practically built out. Trustee VanNess reported in the early stages the County Commissioners appointed the Trustees' recommendation to the Community Authority and typically one of the Township Trustees attended. Now they are built out and the law says they have to have their own election. They need to elect seven members to the Newark Granville Community Authority. The Newark Granville Community Authority will have to vote on the members. Trustee VanNess commented they may have a hard time finding seven willing members. There is not anything for the Township to do. The Township had a representative in the past which attended the meetings. The Newark Granville Community Authority collects \$400-\$500 each year for twenty years after a house is built. The area is mostly built out but there are some lots which have not been built on. At the end it will cost more to administer than what is received.

Trustee Jenks reported he spoke to Mike Sobul, Treasurer, Granville Exempted Village Schools, concerning what the Newark Granville Community Authority does. Mr. Sobul advised there is a surcharge on the properties within the Newark Granville Community Authority and the group recommends how the surcharge will be spent on capital items for the schools. Mr. Sobul stated there is always a list of items on which to spend the surcharge and they always come to an agreement. Trustee Jenks reported Mr. Sobul reported it is an easy group to work with.

Trustee VanNess reported a few years ago new ball diamonds and a field near the Intermediate School were chosen by the Newark Granville Community Authority. Trustee Jenks emphasized the money must be spent only on capital improvements, not operating expenses. Trustee VanNess commented the capital improvement this year is a new cooling system for the High School which will cost between \$400,000 and \$500,000.

## **Elected Official Reports:**

Fiscal Officer Miller:

Water Bill:

FO Miller reported he reached out to the Village regarding the Township's water bill but has not heard anything back. FO Miller stated he is waiting for the second large water bill so he does not yet have an update on the water bill situation.

Trustee Jenks reported there was a clarification in the newspaper where the Village will only deal with an adjustment of the sewage portion of the bill. Trustee Jenks noted there was a newspaper article which reported the Village would work with the Township concerning the

large bill, but then there was a clarification the Village would only work with the Township on the sewage portion.

# Amended Certificate and Revised Revenue and Appropriation Amounts:

## **REVENUES**

# <u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>

FO Miller requested approval of the supplemental appropriation transfers presented to the Trustees.

Trustee VanNess made a motion to approve the supplemental appropriation transfers, Trustee Mason seconded the motion and it was approved after no further discussion.

FO Miller reported he an Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources from the Licking County Auditor's office. FO Miller reported it included money from the inheritance tax, Kendal TIF, FEMA payment, etc. FO Miller requested approval to accept the Certificate of Amended Estimate of Revenue from the Licking County Auditor's office.

### Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources

Fund – 1000 - Inheritance Tax	+ \$ 417,981.42
Fund – 1000 – Rotary Bridge Project	+ \$ 39,500.00
Fund – 2901 – Kendal TIF	+ \$ 136,672.21
Fund – 2902 - Cem Beq – Interest	+\$ 390.66 (change from \$1500 to \$1890.66)
Fund – 2903 - FEMA Payments	+ \$ 43,738.00

Trustee Mason moved to accept the Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources from the Licking County Auditor's officer. Trustee VanNess seconded the motion and it was approved after no further discussion by a unanimous vote.

FO Miller requested approval for the following warrants, withholding vouchers, debit memos, and EFT's which were issued.

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E347	Bain	290.96	E348	Baughman	98.84
E349	Binckley	1797.63	E350	Borden	683.94
E351	Boudinot	957.78	E352	Bowman	1619.53
E353	Bryan	1056.61	E354	Butt	795.99
E355	Clemens	1579.89	E356	Coyle	415.03
E357	Curtis	1661.25	E358	DeSimone	396.89
E359	DuBeck	231.30	E360	Duncan	135.50
E361	Essick	803.76	N/A	Gottfried	0.00
E362	Hall	1494.62	E363	Hampton	155.21
E364	Harrison	631.28	E365	Henry	595.36
E366	Hill	1464.01	E367	Hussey	2568.33
E368	Jenks	1077.32	E369	Jones, A	739.43
E370	Jones, B	258.33	E371	Kindell	249.49
E372	Leckrone	374.15	E373	Lynn	484.36
E374	Martell	275.44	E375	Mason	941.88

E376	May	639.17	E377	Meisenhelder	596.31
E378	Melick	344.93	E379	Miller	1506.32
E380	Monroe	1412.41	E381	Poe	142.80
E382	Poole	367.64	E383	Reece	1467.39
N/A	Riley	0.00	E384	Saunders	715.80
E385	Smith, D	260.73	E386	Smith, S	402.42
E387	Thompson	1724.74	N/A	Tracy	0.00
E388	VanNess	1042.51	E389	Watling	272.38
9170	Chromate	608.82	9171	T Binckley	300.00
9172	K Henry	75.00	9173	J Butt	75.00
9174	T Bryan	75.00	9175	M Boudinot	75.00
9176	Cintas	479.48	9177	Dish Network	54.20
9178	Fackler	84.27	9179	Granville Lumber	7.30
9180	J McKenney	434.30	9181	Lawson Products	78.58
9182	Mathews Ford	3156.96	9183	MT Business	55.00
9184	MT Business	46.16	9185	Newark Winnelson	122.17
9186	Old Republic	200.00	9187	P Jenks	60.76
9188	Reese, Pyle	500.00	9189	Tom Shaw	90.00
9190	Verizon	160.20	9191	V Catalogna	424.00
9192	West Coast LI	307.50	9193	Wright Brothers	124.00
9194	Elan	1521.99	9195	Granville Lumber	7.42
9196	KPS/NAPA	1361.12	9197	Pinkerton	65.00
9198	Wince Welding	37.10	DM343	Windstream	354.95
DM344	AEP	772.30	DM345	Village of Granville	171.36
DM346	Columbia Gas	1886.05	9199	Certified	3242.48
9200	Hittle Electric	8595.00	9201	Ross'	103.59
9202	Time Warner	97.49			

On a motion by Trustee VanNess and a second by Trustee Mason, by a unanimous 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:

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

FO Miller presented two checks for the Trustees to sign. FO Miller reported the money is from the Kendal TIF. The money goes to the Granville Exempted School District and to Kendal to help pay off the debt for the sewer system. FO Miller reported the debt should be paid off in 1 year. FO Miller reported the Township received \$136,000 from the TIF, less fees. The schools receive its percentage and Kendal receives the rest. Kendal will be sent a letter as they have previously agreed to pay the Township for firefighting/EMS services.

Trustee VanNess stated all of the \$136,000 goes back out to appropriate parties and the Township is just a middleman. FO Miller affirmed Trustee VanNess' statement and reported approximately 73% of the TIF goes to the schools and the rest goes to Kendal to pay off the sewer debt which is earning 5% interest. FO Miller reported he has to calculate how many days it has been since the last Kendal payment, etc. to determine the interest amount.

Trustee VanNess discussed the 5 % interest rate amount and questioned whether it would make sense for the Township to pay off the debt early. FO Miller will check to see if the Township could pay off the debt early. It was noted the Township is currently earning less than 1% interest, but it is possible the debt is something which may not be able to be repaid. Trustee Jenks stated if the Township is paying 5% interest and earning less than 1% interest it makes sense to see if the debt can be paid early. Trustee VanNess suggested the Township should see if it can pay the debt early and what any penalty may be. It was discussed the Trustees paid off the Township building early and realized savings. FO Miller will contact the County Auditor and Treasurer concerning the issue and respond to the Trustees whether the debt could be paid early. It was determined it would be premature to make a motion concerning the issue until FO Miller presents all the information and terms.

FO Miller reported he spoke to Mike Sobul this week concerning the Kendal TIF. Mr. Sobul thought the TIF was for 20 years. FO Miller thought the TIF would be paid off in one year. FO Miller contacted Retired FO Kennedy who advised it is not a 20 year TIF. FO Miller will research both issues with the County Auditor Office and report back to the Trustees at the next meeting.

# Website Redesign:

FO Miller reported he is still working on the website redesign. FO Miller advised the new website will likely go live next month.

#### Taxes:

FO Miller reported he has been going through the first half taxes.

### Out of Office:

FO Miller reported he will be out of the office next week on vacation.

### Spring Clean-up:

FO Miller reported the Spring Clean-up is still scheduled. FO Miller will contact Molly Prasher concerning the clean-up. Trustee Mason reported the newspaper reported Big O will be handling the Village clean-up. FO Miller stated the program is the same to the residents and the Township's program will be the last week of the Village clean-up. FO Miller will send a notice regarding what can be disposed of and what will not be accepted, such as paint, oils, etc. to Brian Miller, Granville Sentinel.

### Don Martin Letter:

Trustee Jenks summarized for FO Miller there was a resolution passed to send Don Martin the letter concerning the ban on hunting the property after a spelling error is corrected. The

resolution authorized FO Miller to send the letter after the spelling error is corrected and to sign on behalf of the Trustees.

Roseview Homeowner's Association Letter:

Trustee Jenks advised FO Miller the Roseview Homeowner's Association letter has been approved to be sent and FO Miller was authorized to sign on behalf of the Trustees.

Trustee VanNess advised FO Miller there was one address in Roseview which he could not find. FO Miller suggested the resident may use a post office box for mail. Chief Hussey commented he will help FO Miller discover the address.

### Salt Contract:

Trustee Jenks informed FO Miller he was authorized to act as the Township's agent with the State of Ohio for next year's salt purchase. The Trustees approved Superintendent Binckley's purchase estimate of 550 tons.

## Minutes of March 27, 2013:

On a motion by Trustee VanNess and a second by Trustee Mason, by a unanimous affirmative vote the minutes of the March 27, 2013, meeting were approved as previously submitted and revised.

FO Miller presented the March 27, 2013, minutes to the Trustees to sign.

## Minutes of March 13, 2013:

Trustee Jenks reported he had some issues with the March 13, 2013, meeting minutes. Trustee Jenks stated he believed the meeting minutes were correct as typed, not as amended.

Trustee Mason made a motion to go back to the original March 13, 2013, meeting minutes as typed by Betsey Hampton.

Trustee VanNess commented he did not have the original document. Trustee Mason responded the original document is the one which was sent out. FO Miller reported he sent Trustee VanNess the original version, plus the final version which had his changes, plus Trustee Jenks changes highlighted in yellow.

Trustee Jenks stated he agrees with the yellow highlighted changes but not with the red changes.

Trustee VanNess referenced the portion concerning hunting near the Township garage and commented on his conversation with the Martins. Trustee VanNess indicated the Martins were willing to no longer have hunting and asked for the lease to be extended. Trustee VanNess stressed in the conversation one was not contingent upon the other. Trustee VanNess said "perhaps I did not make myself clear and at that point the discussion became heated, things were dropped, and the Trustees moved down the agenda".

Trustee VanNess reported in his conversation, Mr. Martin agreed he would eliminate hunting and questioned if his lease could be extended. Trustee Jenks commented the issue was dealt with accordingly.

Trustee Jenks suggested what was typed in the original minutes is what was said that evening. Trustee VanNess commented there are many things that were said which are not in the minutes. Trustee Jenks stated he did not think there was anything in the original minutes which were inaccurate, but what Trustee VanNess amended in the minutes is inaccurate.

Trustee VanNess commented if the other Trustees believe what is in the original minutes is accurate then he will agree to them, but would like to go on record at this meeting and state what was written was not what he intended. Trustee VanNess reported he did not intend to state Mr. Martin was willing to not have hunting if the contract was extended. Mr. Martin indicated he was willing to not hunt the property and asked if the contract could be extended.

Trustee Mason commented he did not think the contract should be extended. Trustee VanNess stated he remembered Trustee Mason's opposition to extending the contract. Trustee VanNess agreed to go back to the original minutes and requested the current meeting minutes indicate what he was trying to say on March 13, 2013. If what is in the March 13, 2013, minutes is correct, Trustee VanNess advised the Trustees he misspoke. Trustee Jenks agreed and stated the issue is being dealt with accordingly. Trustee VanNess reported at the March 13, 2013, meeting there were tempers which were out of control.

Trustee Jenks seconded Trustee Mason's motion to go back to the original March 13, 2013, meeting minutes as typed by Betsey Hampton. Trustee Jenks stated he appreciated Trustee VanNess' explanation. FO Miller questioned whether Trustee Jenks' corrections should be taken out as well. Trustee Jenks commented his corrections did not change the minutes, but could be taken out as well. Trustee Jenks questioned whether Trustee VanNess and Trustee Mason wanted the yellow changes also taken out. Trustee Jenks stated the yellow changes did not change anything but were additions which made the minutes make sense. After further discussion it was decided to take out all the yellow and red changes. The motion to go back to the original March 13, 2013, meeting minutes as typed by Betsey Hampton was approved by a unanimous vote.

### New Business:

Trustee Jenks questioned whether there was any other business to cover. Trustee Mason responded there was not.

### Calendar Reminder:

Regular Township meetings, 04/24/13, and 05/08/13, starting at 7:00 PM Annual Joint Cemetery Meeting has been changed to 05/15/13, in the Village Council chambers-

### **Executive Session:**

On a motion by Trustee Jenks with Jenks-Yes, Mason-Yes, and VanNess-Yes, the meeting was moved into executive session under section 121.22(G)(1) to discuss a personnel matter.

On a motion by Trustee Mason and a second by Trustee Jenks with Trustee Jenks - yes, Trustee Mason - yes, and Trustee VanNess - yes the meeting was returned to regular session. With no further action, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

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