

Bethel Township Board of Trustees  
March 19, 2013  
Workshop Meeting

**Fiscal Officer:**

Deborah Watson reported that she will be presenting the 2013 Budget Information from the County at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

**Fire Department:**

FEMA Update: We received the "ok" for everything but the safety house thru the screeners. There are questions that may need to be answered for the safety house. They also stated that we should wait until we get something back from "Washington" they may approve that part as well.

Large Diameter hose: We have lost several sections. We need to purchase 5 sections of 4 inch hose the approximate cost for each piece will be \$450.00, for a total of \$2,250.00. Other hose that is needed is in the State Fire Grant so holding off at this time.

**Road Department:**

Crack Sealing: About a ½ skid is left from 2012. Road Department will try to use before the machine gets picked up, but we have had so much bad weather we haven't been able to as of yet.

Administrator Andy Ehrhart talked to Justin at the County Township Association Meeting about doing the crack sealing for us. He will be checking on pricing from him and a quote from Bowman & Wray. Mr. Ehrhart will do some calculations and see what is cost effective.

Road Survey: Trustee Hirt will have that completed by end of the month.

Repaving of Wiley Ind. Park: Trustee Vanhaaren reported that Trimble has asked if we could start and complete the end of July, first of August due to their construction of their new warehouse. Administrator Ehrhart will get contacts for bid packets.

Repaving of Singer Road: Discussion took place and Trustees and Administrator decided to wait until Road Survey is complete.

Chain Saw: Mr. Ehrhart reported that the road department has two Jonsered's one is 22 years old and the other is 25 years old. According to Robert we can no longer get parts for them any longer. He presented quotes for new ones from Stihls.

Shipper for Tree Work: Mr. Ehrhart discussed pro's and con's of renting vs buying. He stated we were better off renting a chipper because of repair and maintenance. He will also check to see the cost effectiveness of our crew vs contracting work out for the trimming.

Mow Trim: The Mow Trim is broken is will cost approximately \$600.00 to fix.

New Carlisle Road Ditch: Administrator will get quotes for that.

Brine System: Administrator Ehrhart asked trustees if he should continue with Brine Research. Old Brush Truck is stripped to bed. Robert reports it will not start. We will put this on hold for now.

**Administrator:**

Park Bathroom: Work has been done to prepare for the CDBG grant submittal. There are a few more things to prepare for such as cost estimated and such. Mr. Ehrhart stated that he and Jeff our intern met with Patrick Hansford (local architect). He has worked on several CDBG grants in the Miami County. He will do the cost estimation for the grant and works his fees into the grant itself. Patrick recommends a design build over a precast.

Road Department Heater: Asked Trustees if we were just going to use the current heater and duct it over to the other bay. Trustees agreed that would be the best solution for now.

Copier: ComDoc (our current supplier) stopped in and presented us with a proposal for a new copier. Currently we are paying a monthly service agreement and we had purchased the copier. He offered us a lease for 5 years for a new faster machine that will collate sort, and staple at a more cost effective rate.

**Economic Development:**

Heilman rezoning: Will be heard tonight at the county and the 28<sup>th</sup> at the Zoning Commission.

Property Maintenance Code: Resident Frank Wolfe has expressed interest in talking to the Trustees at a future meeting.

Serenity Horse Rescue Update: The Animals have been seized. The building is still condemned. The occupant was given eviction notice and has not been back. The trailer is still on property.

Meeting Adjourned 10:30am

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Mrs. Beth Vanhaaren, President

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Mr. Cliff Wray, Trustee

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Mr. Jerome Hirt, Trustee

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Deborah Watson, Fiscal Officer