

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, December 8, 2011

Chairman Roger Klodt opened the meeting with the pledge at 7:00 p.m. Roger moved to dispense the reading of the minutes. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes. Present: Trustees Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, Sue White, FO Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, L. Klodt, V. & R. McKay, J. & P. Hendrix, B. Moledor, P. Daley, J. Bedard, G. Magno, B. Murphy, P. Cernava, J. Presley, K. Baer, B. & K. Steiner, P. Merck, G.Harrison, S. & N. Engle, D. Rice, R. & M. Taylor, D. Mangold, C. Swanson, B. Botz, other Randolph residents.

Old Business

Roger explained the purpose of the meeting. The presentation tonight is for the trustees and will not be an all-night deal. There will be an informational presentation on oil and gas drilling with Chesapeake, ODNR, EPA, and the Engles on January 25, 2012 at 7 p.m. It will be advertised. Sue stated that everyone is free to e-mail her with questions or comments.

Sandy Engle thanked the trustees for allowing them to share their information. She has gone door to door sharing her mission statement which is to preserve the sanctity of all forms of life in Randolph Township. Newt thanked trustees for allowing them to make the presentation. Newt stated that this is not a debate but information to preserve water, air, and soil. Information was given to the trustees. Two good websites with gas and oil drilling information are www.neogap.org and www.buckeyeforestcouncil.org.

Various speakers spoke about their experiences with fracking. Wells have gone dry, fracking fluids found in the aquifer, and high gas levels in homes. They are not against gas well drilling but stressed that it needs to be done safely. Explained the process of cement and drilling.

Residents from Suffield and Randolph spoke about their concerns and problems. A letter from Joe Mosyjowski was read by his son, Nick. Joe requested a ban on drilling until questions are answered such as what chemicals are used, the quantity of water used, how wastewater is treated, and request the corporation to provide a letter of wastewater treatment. All questions need to be answered before any drilling begins. He is upset that the federal government bypassed the local officials. Nick stated the truck traffic is almost nonstop at the well in Suffield.

Steve Kitchen stated that the well in Suffield has affected his water. He noticed black water coming into his well and thought his well caved in. After checking it out, his well was fine and the problem was the water coming in. He had to buy water for drinking and cooking. He still has cloudy water.

Cheryl spoke that she had oil blobs in her water which started after the fracking in Suffield. They have a 230 foot well. They increased the filter system for their water but still have oil blobs. Newt thanked the speakers for the information that was presented.

One resident had their water tested and now has water problems. They have chronic health problems. It was recommended that ODNR be contacted. The resident has the health department involved.

Pat stated that the truck traffic would be regulated and the road was to be paved. Signs were posted, but when the trucks started coming in the signs disappeared. He feels the road will likely never see any repair. He also heard a rumor that another well is to be drilled on Griggy Road. Pat is concerned about truck traffic, especially a safety hazard with large trucks on residential roads. He feels there is no trust.

Paul is concerned that the trustees and zoning will allow semi-trucks to park in residential areas. He feels the trustees need to fully address this issue. He presented information from various townships regarding semi-trucks.

Newt thanked the trustees for the invitation on January 25. He asked about the procedure to have a meeting for Randolph residents. Mike stated that we will allow the use of the CC, if it is agreeable with the other trustees, rent free. All the trustees were in agreement. Newt will contact Dan Kolasky.

Larry spoke about WKSU in Wyoming and EPA findings with the same scenario.

Bob commented that the State of Ohio put this in place. He stated we need to stop the trucking in of water from out of state.

Roger read information from ODNR regarding SB165. He stated that comments are to be submitted to minerals@odnr. Roger stated that we all need to voice our concern with ODNR and get involved. Roger wants to get the true facts about the drilling. Mark stated that the community needs to get involved and will get more results.

Mike spoke about the security of the generator. Roger spoke about the possible trade of road department generators.

Sue spoke about the county working toward 911 in all townships. She spoke to 911 dispatch and they want to contact the resident who had trouble. Sue moved to retain Kevin Steiner on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mike seconded. Discussion: Mike stated that Kevin does a good job. Roger stated that he is a good representative. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mike asked about the easement. Sue ordered a legal. She received some comments from residents that we should keep the easement. Mike feels we need to investigate it.

Roger asked about the ice dams. Larry stated the representative has not stopped. Mike has someone stopping to get an alternate price.

New Business

Mike has nothing at this time.

Sue is concerned about the fracking. She has learned a lot. She supports getting natural gas, but is concerned about our water. She stated that there is no guarantee that the gas will stay here. The gas companies are a business and looking for the best price. She is not against Randolph residents making money but wants everyone to be safe.

Roger spoke about stopping the service on one portable toilet for the winter. The trustees were in agreement. Larry stated we did it last year.

Roger moved to appoint Mark Hamilton and Lucas Kuzma to the Fire Indemnity Board for 2012. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Roger moved to pay medical benefits for eligible employees and elected officials for 2012. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary presented a request from Dan to be paid for one week of unused vacation time. Sue so moved. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary requested a motion to pay receipts 228 – 238 totaling \$32,796.07 and pay warrants 32900 – 32952, EFTs 1077- 1082, and voucher 26 totaling \$37,249.55. Mike so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary requested a motion to pay warrants 32953 – 32963 and EFTs 1083 – 1091 totaling \$14,137.46 dated December 22, 2011. Mike so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

There was discussion about the township vision insurance. Roger moved to cancel the VSP vision insurance effective January 1, 2012. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Larry presented the road report. Larry reported that the salt boxes and plow hitches were put on the trucks. He reported on truck repairs and road maintenance. Larry would like to purchase a tool box and tools for the new garage. Mike stated he looked into some portable tool boxes and tools for \$2,500. Larry would like to get a portable compressor. Roger stated that we might be able to find a package deal. Mike moved to appropriate

\$3,500 for the purchase of a portable tool box, tools, and portable compressor. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Larry reported that they borrowed a compressor from Henry Luli and blew out the water lines at the cemetery. There was one funeral with a YTD total of 22.

Roger spoke about the chapel request of ceiling fans. Roger moved to appropriate \$3,500 to install fans and correct the lighting on the flag at the chapel. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Dan presented the trustee's assistant and zoning report. One permit was issued. No new complaints. The next quarterly zoning meeting will be on January 9, 2011.

Public Comment

Virginia stated that when calling 911 from a cell phone you need to stay on line. Virginia asked that the information be put in the newsletter.

Bill asked for a letter of support for the tire amnesty grant from ODNR. It was very successful and will hold it again next year. Roger moved to support the tire amnesty grant for 2012. Sue seconded.

RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Jane stated that if you have a lease for your gas well it can be leased without the landowner's knowledge. Sue stated that the statement is true.

Bob spoke about the easement for the cemetery. Bob does not feel we should give it up. He stated that we must follow the rules to sell township property. Mike doesn't feel we will ever use it. The trustees need to watch out for the resident's money. Bob feels cemetery belongs to everyone.

Cecilia introduced the new branch manager. Grace Sims spoke about her background. She thanked the trustees for their support of the library. Cecilia stated that the computers are to be replaced. Cecilia requested the trustees consider replacing the telephone lines in the library. The phones have been replaced and they were told there was water in the lines. Mike stated that we will consider the request.

Doug commented that the trustees are doing a great job in looking out to protect the residents.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

