WCTA Meeting Minutes May 20, 2021

The second quarterly meeting of 2021 of the Williams County Township Association was held at the Williams County East Annex Conference room on May 20, 2021. Thank you to the Williams County EMS for hosting this meeting.

The business meeting was called to order by Vice President Tom Worthington. The meeting started with Tom Worthington leading those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary-Treasurer Deanne Batterson completed attendance with five (5) members present. Tom Worthington and Dave Apple, Superior Township; Jeff Burkholder, Center Township; Deanne Batterson, Pulaski Township; and Donald Imm, Florence Township.

Guest present were Lew Hilkert and Terry Rummel, County Commissioners; Todd Roth, County Engineer; Patti Rockey, County Recorder; and our hosts April McClain and Brandi Frisbee, Williams County EMS.

The minutes were read from the February meeting. Vice President Worthington asked if there were any additions or corrections to the February minutes. He then asked for a motion to accept the minutes as presented; Jeff Burkholder made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Dave Apple seconded it and the motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read by Deanne Batterson. Dave Apple made a motion to approve the report as presented, Jeff Burkholder seconded it and the motion carried.

Patti Rockey, County Recorder, reported on the new scanning equipment the Recorder's office was able to purchase with the Cares Act funds. They are offering the use of the equipment to the Townships who would like to scan their documents. The Recorder's office is willing to train those who are interested in using their equipment. There would be a shared service agreement. Patti informed us that this was a valid COVID expense due to the fact that the Recorder's office is mandated to be open, and with a scanner, records could be scanned and emailed to someone without having them formerly come into the Courthouse. It keeps the economy moving forward without people touching the documents.

Brandi Frisbee, Williams County EMS, reported on the Marcs Tower. They hope to have it up and working in July. There are some electrical issues they are working on. Lew Hilkert, County Commissioner, reported that the contractor failed to contact Toledo Edison to hook everything up, so we have been put way down the list. Lew said Tim Suter, from Toledo Edison, is going to try to get us pushed up on the list. Terry Rummel, County Commissioner, informed us that the old radio system will be working simultaneously together with the new system. It could take six to eight months to get everyone up and running.

Todd Roth, County Engineer, reported on the Kunkle project. His concern is that is won't be cleaned up for the July 4th Kunkle parade. The Bona Vesta project will hopefully start within 3 weeks. They will be paving County Road J, from 576 to 12C and spot paving CR 2.50 (SW area), along with some other roads. They purchased another distributor to do chip & seal projects and put in contract for them to provide a nursing tank. They will be double sealing about 1 mile in Millcreek. In Jefferson Township, they will raise CR 16 south of CR M. In Pulaski Township, a couple of interns will be doing a design on CR 15.75. The Engineers office might be able to do some chip & seal (a mile or two) in some of the northern townships (Millcreek, Bridgewater, Florence). The Engineer's office has Janice retiring, Larry retiring next year, and Dan Clum is getting ready soon. Todd Roth stated that anyone of the Townships can borrow equipment. The Engineer's office is looking at purchasing a new vehicle, a Western Star, next year. Will be working with the Commissioner's office soon on this. The mainline will be done in the next week and they plan on sweeping the streets before the parade. In Kunkle, we will be redoing the storm sewer the same time we are doing the sanitary. This project will tie into Alvordton. There is a one million dollar grant to start the design in Alvordton.

Terry Rummel, County Commissioner, reported on the usage of COVID funds and what are legitimate expenses. Lew Hilkert, County Commissioner, reported there is going to be another round of funds.

April McClain, County EMS, stated the mass notification system should be live by June 15th. April will send letter/email to each of the Township Clerks to have a signed approval of the new system. The name of this system is HyperReach.

Donald Imm made a motion to have the meeting adjourned, Dave Apple seconded it and the motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be held at the Williams County Engineer's Garage on August 19, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanne Batterson Secretary-Treasurer