

## BERLIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

8:00 A.M.

SPRING ROAD MEETING

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**HELD AT:** Berlin Township House, 3271 Cheshire Rd., Delaware, OH

**CALL TO ORDER:** Tom D'Amico, Trustee Chairman

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Eldon Johnston.

**ROLL CALL:** Thomas D'Amico, Philip Panzarella and Ronald Bullard. In the absence of Fiscal Officer Theresa Cannon, Judy Shumway was named to record the proceedings of the meeting.

**ATTENDANCE:** Eldon Johnston, representing Delaware County Engineer's office and Chris Paykoff.

**Public Comment:** Paykoff said that at the Curve and Roloson Road corner corn crops created an obstruction of view for vehicles at the corner. He suggested the township purchase a strip of property about 20 ft. wide x 150 ft. long from the landowner in order to control the problem. Paykoff also said water runs onto Sherman Road creating a driving hazard. He said the ditches should be cleaned out to create better water runoff.

Panzarella asked if Paykoff would join the road tour. Paykoff declined.

**PIATT ROAD (TR 99) NORTH END (TR 99 between Cheshire-CR 72 and Peachblow-CR 98)**-Bullard said the road was in good condition until the Carla & Darla Subdivision. Panzarella said that when looking at the roads trustees needed to know what corrections it would take to get about seven (7) years of life out of each of the road surfaces. Panzarella then questioned if Piatt Road was a candidate for OPWC assistance. Bullard commented that the section of road along the Carla and Darla Subdivision needed to be bermed and there was a surface water drainage problem and driveway pipes needed to be cleaned out. Bullard suggested cleaning pipes at three (3) or four (4) driveways, "doing it piece meal". Bullard said, "There's no need for new pavement in this area (reference was from Cheshire to Peachblow Roads). Panzarella asked, "Who pays for mailboxes?" Bullard said, "We do, they're all in our right-of-way."

Bullard said, "We will do an OPWC grant application for Piatt Road from Peachblow to Hollenback for 2011 for a top course of 1 ¼ inches. This will add structure to the road."

**SHANAHAN ROAD (TR 100)**-Traveled full length of Shanahan from Piatt Road to US 23. Trustees made no comments about this section.

**HYATTS ROAD (TR 123A)**-Traveled full length of Hyatts Road-TR 123A. Trustees made no comments about this section.

**DISCUSSION**-Speaking about the section of Piatt Road between Peachblow (CR 98) and Hollenback (TR 274), Johnston said he wasn't certain there would be a high rate for an OPWC application. He said that funding was usually used for reconstruction or paving requests. Bullard said, "The County may recommend a fiberglass mat." Panzarella questioned the length of the road. Shumway said the section between Peachblow and Hollenback was .64 mi. Panzarella said, "If we seal the cracks and overlay it the cost will be \$100,000 per mi. without OPWC. With OPWC we have two (2) choices: widen the road and; do ditch work. OPWC will probably be \$1,000,000."

Panzarella asked, "Do we need to do improvement on Piatt between Cheshire and Peachblow Roads? Does the road need structural improvement due to school traffic?" Bullard said, "I contacted the school and they said most of the students will be from northern Liberty Township." Panzarella said, "We need to answer that question first." Bullard said, "If students are from nearer Gregory Road."

Bullard said, "We can't tell about deterioration of the road between Peachblow and Hollenback Roads and we can't tell about deterioration between Hollenback and Shanahan Roads. We could chip and seal or fill cracks in these two areas and do the same on Hollenback Road." Bullard said, "We could do crack sealing." D'Amico questioned, "Can we chip and seal over

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that (crack seal)?" Bullard said, "That would give us three (3) or four (4) years. We can do an OPWC grant to resurface it."

Johnston questioned if trustees were doing the OPWC application this year and was told "yes". Johnston said an application this year wouldn't be processed until 2011. Johnston said there should be a minimum of crack sealing done this year. Bullard said, "Crack sealing is not in the plan now." D'Amico said, "On the west side of the road it's pothole city." Panzarella said, "Chip and seal usually doesn't go well with people. Keep in mind we're not sure of structural improvement. If only sealing, then do micro seal and that will need lines. I don't recommend chip and seal if doing something structural."

Bullard said, "I'll contact Any Kerr about student travel." Panzarella said, "Kerr says schools can't pay for roads."

**CONNER LANE (TR 373)**-Bullard said Conner Lane was a candidate for chip and seal.

**DISCUSSION**-Panzarella said, "I understand we have a precedent of the school paying for a turn lane. We need to find out regarding the school paying for turn lanes. On S. 3 B's & K Road the school said 'thanks but no thanks' and Gregory Road is a county road and there's to be a school on Berlin Station."

**CONNER LANE (TR 373)**-Bullard said, "Conner has been crack sealed and is pretty good. It's not high traffic, a good candidate for chip and seal." D'Amico said, "The road looks pretty good." Bullard said, "It wouldn't be this year or next year." D'Amico said, "No action." Johnston said the crack sealing had been a good job, it had fiber in it.

**DISCUSSION**-Johnston said when a pavement overlay is planned a scratch course should be done two years prior to doing an overlay. Panzarella questioned, "What is a scratch course?"

Bullard said, "The city is starting to work here (near old Valves and Presses building)."

Panzarella asked if a scratch coat was about ½ the cost of overlaying the road. Johnston said a scratch course would be ½ the full cost of an overlay. Panzarella then questioned using a 1 ¼ in. overlay with micro seal. Johnston said a scratch course was used to fill in and lend to the road profile. He said a micro seal would follow the surface treatment. Johnston explained that prior to a scratch course there must be a bonding tack applied. Johnston said a tack, scratch and overlay procedure would amount to about a seven (7) to ten (10) life for the road.

**HOLLENBACK ROAD-WEST END (TR 274)**-Bullard commented cracks had been sealed on the road. Panzarella questioned, "Can we contract for crack sealing?"

Bullard said, "We plan to clean out the ditch on the north side of road between the crossover and the school. I'm getting two (2) quotes: one from the county; and one from Glenn Excavating. There are a lot of cracks in the road."

**HOLLENBACK ROAD-EAST END (TR 274)**-Bullard commented signs in the Marina @ Alum Creek would be replaced. D'Amico questioned the condition of the roads throughout the subdivision. Bullard said, "Good. Do we need to do more? Yes. Sign consistency is not good. We could use signs stating 'throughout the subdivision'. A change would be better for the homeowner. We get resident complaints that we need more signs. Signs cost \$100 each." Panzarella questioned, "Who authorizes original signs?" Bullard said, "The County does." Johnston said the county does but trustees have input. Panzarella said, "Looking back presumably some board approved. This board might be stuck. I recommend wide public discussion with those affected. Recommend curbs and gutters and signs. This needs to be widely advertised and discussed at a number of meetings. Bullard said, "I agree. Discuss and change, discuss and not change or continue as is." D'Amico said, "We should invite the homeowner association presidents." Panzarella said, "I'd like to have specific data on manpower, manpower ability, post, cost, and availability of personnel. We might need more road people. There's more to it than cost of signs and replacement."

**SHADOW CREEK SUBDIVISION**-Traveled entire subdivision. Trustees made no comments.

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**CHESHRIE COVE SUBDIVISION**-Bullard said, "This is fine unless we go through it." D'Amico questioned "Has this ever been resurfaced?" Bullard said, "No." D'Amico said, "It's in good shape. It's at least ten (10) years old."

**RED ROBIN WAY (TR 870)**-Bullard said, "It's OK here." Panzarella commented about the cement driveways abutting the street pavement. Bullard said, "The County adopted a standard that concrete is not attached to the road."

**WHISPERING CREEK SUBDIVISION**-Trustees did not view the subdivision roads.

**WINDING CREEK SUBDIVISION**-Trustees did not view the subdivision roads.

**DISCUSSION**-D'Amico commented, "There was a mountain lion sighting on N. 3 B's & K Road verified by binoculars."

**DALE FORD ROAD (TR 271)**-Bullard reported there was berming to do along the road. Panzarella questioned, "Are we going to reset driveway pipes?" Bullard said, "There is no plan to." NOTE: water standing at 1372 Dale Ford Rd. Panzarella asked, "Can we get a recommendation on these pipes?"

**CLOVER PLAINS (TR 1296)**-Bullard commented that a homeowner filled in the ditch (north side of road)." D'Amico asked, "Can they fill in if they use county standards?" Bullard said, "The Township paid a percentage of the cost at 3691 Clover Plains Dr. but I don't know the cost." Panzarella said, "The county standard is a trapezoidal profile standard."

**CURVE ROAD EAST (TR 273)**-Bullard pointed out that two (2) dead trees had been cut down and removed west of Dale Ford Road.

**ROLOSON ROAD & CURVE ROAD (TR 95 & TR 89)**-D'Amico commented that this was the location referred to by Chris Paykoff earlier in the meeting. Bullard said, "The pavement in on the property owner." Panzarella questioned, "Who will contact this guy?"

**CURVE ROAD WEST (TR 89)**-Bullard said the pavement on the south side of the road was cracking. Johnston said there was no base under the road and people were cutting the curve. D'Amico questioned if there was any type of warranty on crack sealing.

**CURVE ROAD WEST OF SWEENEY ROAD (TR 89 west of TR 94)**-Bullard said, "Sweeney is OK for the traffic."

Bullard said Curve Road west of the railroad was to be chipped and sealed with no fogging. Bullard said, "There is to be more berming this year." Bullard pointed out areas which needed in depth repair and he said cold patch would be used before the chip and seal work. Bullard said, "I'm getting quotes from the county and Glenn Excavating."

**GLENN ROAD (TR 93)**-Bullard said the road was OK and that berming was to be done. Panzarella commented on pavement potholes in Berlin Township. Panzarella questioned where the township boundary was. He said, "I've been told the city has taken care of it. Johnston told trustees to call Jack Jennings of the county engineer's office to get the township boundary identified.

**BAKER ROAD (TR 86)**-Bullard commented that some trees had been removed from the rear of the Barrows property (south side of the road) by Berlin Township. Bullard said Barrows wanted the entire ditch cleaned out. Bullard said Brown Township does the maintenance. Bullard said that there was more water running to the ditch since a church had been built east of this location. D'Amico asked why the ditch hadn't been cleaned out. Bullard said, "We haven't spent the money."

**BAKER AND PLUNKETT ROADS (TR 86 & TR 88)**-Bullard said a tile at the corner of Plunkett and Baker Roads had to be trimmed to allow proper water flow due to a truck cutting the corner and pushing down the end of the tile. Bullard said a wrecker was needed to upright the truck.

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**BAKER ROAD EAST (TR 86)**-Bullard said the road east of Plunkett to N. Old State Rd. (CR 10) would be chipped and sealed in 2010 with no fogging. Panzarella said, "The edges seem to be beat up but the center looks good." Panzarella questioned Bullard regarding future plans for the road. Bullard said, "There are no plans at this time." Panzarella asked if it qualified for OPWC. Shumway said if OPWC funds were requested it would have to be a joint application with Brown Township.

**HEVERLO ROAD (TR 78)**-Bullard said there would be a chip and seal application to the road in 2010. He said there should be a chip and seal every year or so. Panzarella asked the cost. Shumway said the estimated cost was \$6,500 for .44 mi. D'Amico said, "The big issue is losing trees." Panzarella said, "We could drain it down the center of the road to a stream. That would be viable if there was no extra right-of-way. It would probably cost \$40,000 to \$50,000. D'Amico commented about an underground house on the road. Bullard said the whole house faces the bank. Panzarella said, "There's sure nice houses." D'Amico said, "Sure is better than ten (10) years ago."

**LINDA LANE (TR 1250)**-Trustees did not view this road. Bullard said, "It seems to be fine."

**DISCUSSION**-Bullard commented about a potential new business at the south end of N. 3 B's & K Rd. He also commented about property to be auctioned saying "it should be very interesting". Panzarella said he heard a rumor that the county was going to take over the Greer property at the corner of Africa and US 36/SR 37 and the township would lose \$40,000 tax revenue.

**SHERMAN LAKES SUBDIVISION-WEST**-Bullard commented about a sign stating 25 mph throughout subdivision. D'Amico questioned if it was county approved. Johnston said the county approves signs on the original plat plan. Bullard said, "The roads are good and need crack sealing next year. It's a minor job." Panzarella asked, "How would you like to have a \$500,000 house in here and then see a sign for a \$250,000 house?"

**SHERMAN LAKES SUBDIVISION-WEST**-Bullard said there was a crane digging a basement. No comments were made regarding the road status.

**SHERMAN ROAD (TR 134)**-At curve approximately ¼ mi. east of Africa Rd. Bullard commented that this was the area mentioned by Chris Paykoff earlier in the meeting where water crosses the road. Bullard said, "We need to put a tile across the road and improve the ditches. This is a candidate for chip and seal and could be paved." Trustees examined the culvert pipe which was determined to be over 48 in. (county replaces culvert pipes over 48 in.). D'Amico said there was about 1 ft. of sediment in the tile. D'Amico was told it was a township maintenance problem. D'Amico said the tile interior was about 1/3 (1 ½ ft.) full of debris. It also appeared the headwall needed to be repaired. Bullard said the road department would obtain a cost estimate. Johnston said the culvert was a multi-plate construction set with bolts. Bullard said, "There is need to do an in depth repair of 70 ft x 6 ft. on the south side of the road and put a tile across the road to help drainage."

**CHESHIRE STREETS**-Bullard said the streets need to be bermed.

**CHESHIRE-EAST STREET TO FINCH LANE (TR 1225)**-Bullard said water collects at the northeast side of the corner of East St. and Finch Lane. He said attempts had been made to make the water drain across the road. Bullard said a mailbox at 5202 Finch Lane, on the cul-de-sac, needed to be moved to the north side of the driveway so snow can be pushed off the road. Bullard said snow from this winter had to be cleaned up and hauled to Sherman Lakes.

**HARBOR POINTE & MEADOWS @ CHESHIRE SUBDIVISIONS**-Bullard said the streets needed to be crack sealed.

**S. 3 B's & K ROAD (TR 35)**-Bullard said the county was going to put a round-about at this location in 2012. Bullard said he'd asked Berkshire Township for light information at the stop. Bullard said 1/3 of S. 3 B's & K Rd. was in good condition, the middle 1/3 in worse or bad condition and the south 1/3 was bad.

**HARBOR POINTE SUBDIVISION**-Bullard said the loop was fine.

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**S. 3 B's & K ROAD (TR 35)**-Bullard said the middle 1/3 of the road needed to be repaved and rebuilt. Bullard said it would be better if it were widened. Panzarella questioned if there would be a turn lane (area of new Olentangy Middle School). Bullard said it was a busy road with mainly school traffic. Panzarella questioned if there would need to be a duplicate entrance north of the current entrance to the new middle school where the construction traffic drives. Bullard said the telephone poles were close to the road. He said a drainage tile had been covered over during construction at the school. Bullard said the tile was uncovered and drainage was directed west under the road. Bullard said the township worked with landowners in enclosing culverts and lowering the ditch. D'Amico asked, "What does the enclosed culvert do?" Bullard said, "Give a path for water from the ditches. Busses were cutting and pushing the open ditch closed. An in-depth repair was done and it looks OK, no cracking."

Bullard said, "South of Streamside there needs to be an in-depth repair. Panzarella said heavy equipment caused the problem."

**ROESLAND DRIVE (TR 376)**-Trustees did not view this road.

**S. 3 B's & K ROAD (TR 35)**-Bullard said, "Trees need to be cut south of Roesland Dr. There is no berm and busses pass causing the berm to be packed down. We will work with Berkshire on a plan if the property on the east side develops it may improve our position. We need an engineering solution, we need to spend money. We need to do a request for engineering assistance with the county."

**N. 3 B's & K ROAD (TR 35)**-Trustees did not review N. 3 B's & K Road.

**PLUMB ROAD (TR 105)**-Trustees made no comments on this road.

**DISCUSSION**-Bullard wanted to know if an additional stop sign could be placed on the left side of Plumb Road at Africa and Plumb Roads to keep busses from cutting the corner. Johnston said he would not comment. Panzarella asked if a road marker could be put there. Johnston said it's impossible to keep vehicles from cutting the corner.

**SUMMERWOOD SUBDIVISION**-Bullard said the road was in good shape except all the crack sealing. Panzarella said, "It is indicative of heavy construction. Panzarella said previous board actions allowed for no berms. Bullard said work had been completed on Streamside at a valley point to alleviate water on the road. D'Amico said (regarding berm), "We can still change it, it's our right-of-way." Bullard said, "Some sections. One guy put in his own berm." Panzarella said, "You're right, people put sprinklers in, in the right-of-way with no berm. With no berm sprinklers put in and that affects berm. We need to discuss the whole thing regarding berm, curb and gutters."

**SUMMERWOOD SUBDIVISION-SUMMERVIEW**-Bullard said, "There are a lot of vacant lots. We could berm the vacant lots and maybe avoid problems with grass along roads." Panzarella said, "I understand."

Bullard said there were two new houses on Summer Leaf (3065) where there appeared to be some drainage problems. Bullard said, "There is a county easement down through the trees and if the county were to fix the problem they would likely take the trees out but the homeowners don't want that." Panzarella said, "It's under ditch maintenance and Milt Link would clean out trees and the homeowners would pay. In the ditch maintenance agreement the county charges for it, they tell the auditor to change what benefactors pay. There are more issues than that. You're not allowed to cut anything; falling trees are left to lie." Bullard said, "That's from the homeowner's association. The homeowner's association doesn't supersede the county." Panzarella questioned, "Does the county look at it?" Johnston said the county inspects all ditch maintenance areas once per year. Panzarella said, "I want the county to give a recommendation for the entire ditch and the proposed soil & water action." NOTE: ditch filled in south of driveway at 3029, also west of drive.

**SUMMERWOOD SUBDIVISION-SUMMER RIDGE**-Bullard commented that at 5391 the homeowner put a tile under gravel in the ditch. He said the homeowner did the job with the approval of Brodi (road superintendent).

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**RECOMMENDATION FROM ELDON JOHNSTON**-Johnston recommended the board (Berlin Trustees) meet with Berkshire (trustees) and Chris (county engineer) to discuss 3 B's & K Road. Bullard said, "Good, besides the county is working on the round-about. It's a good time."

**IRRELAVENT TO ROAD DISCUSSIONS**

**RECYCLE BIN PAD**-Bullard requested trustees stop at the recycle bin pad at the fire station 2708 Lackey-Old State Rd. Bullard said, "Atibi wants another green bin. Should we put in a loop or what?" Panzarella said, "I didn't her about a loop." Bullard said, "A loop is my idea. It's something to think about."

**RETURN TO TOWNSHIP HOUSE**

**DISCUSSION**-Panzarella said, "We can go forward and back on subdivisions. It's a topic for a formal meeting: what the road department is to do; manpower; and funding. The whole issue should be discussed. Going forward the board should make up their minds for curb and gutter on new subdivisions or we'll have the same problem. I'd like the road department to put together a list."

Panzarella commented, "What do we expect from roads in five (5) years? The road supervisor was not with us. We need a clear understanding of having the road supervisor or his designee." Panzarella said, "He has another job. I don't know if it's in the job description. I was not told if the guy has mitigating circumstances."

Bullard said, "Subdivisions should go forward. Should we have a letter to the county engineer and regional planning with the factor of our desires for roads, signage, trees, curb and gutter, and berming? We have to be careful because we have two kinds with and without curb and gutter." Panzarella said, "I think it's an excellent idea for a letter stating desires regarding big lot and small lot subdivisions. However, all I know is once a developer leaves, problems are left. People in a large lot subdivision have spent \$5,000 to \$10,000 to clean up ditch problems. Curb and gutter originally cuts township costs. One subdivision spent \$35,000 because the developer did a shoddy job. It's an excellent idea that guys know the rules."

Panzarella said, "I applaud the notes. It give a clear picture to get roads ahead seven (7) years. In the long term I want a long term maintenance plan we can afford." Bullard asked, "Should we make this a topic of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting in April or the 1<sup>st</sup> May meeting?" D'Amico said, "Yeah sure, April 2<sup>nd</sup>." Bullard said, "We should each draft something for that meeting."

**COMMENTS-SHANAHAN ROAD (TR 100)**-There was comment on the 2010 estimate for Shanahan Road. Shumway said that according to figures provided by the county engineer's office for estimating it appeared there might be an incorrect calculation. Bullard to check if there is a math error with Jerry Ungashick. Panzarella said items on the project list not done this year should be put in the next year. Bullard said, "It's certain, a must do." Panzarella said that crack sealing was on the county contract."

**RESOLUTION**

**10-04-01**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN-11:15 A.M.**

Motion: Bullard  
Second: Panzarella  
Vote: All ayes.

Meeting adjourned.

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Thomas A. D'Amico, Trustee Chairman

ATTEST:

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Philip P. Panzarella, Trustee Vice Chairman

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Judy K. Shumway  
Assistant to Fiscal Officer

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Ronald W. Bullard, Trustee Executive Member