

BERLIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

9:00 a.m. Spring Roads Meeting April 10, 17

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

CALL TO ORDER: Steve Flaherty, Trustee Vice Chairman

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brodi Irwin

ROLL CALL: Ron Bullard absent, Steve Flaherty, Adam Fleischer and Claudia Smith, Fiscal Officer.

ATTENDANCE: Brodi Irwin and Doug Riedel representing Delaware County Engineer’s Office

Public Comment: Flaherty asked if anyone wished to make a public comment. Hearing none they moved on to the next item on the agenda.

Flaherty said we were here for the annual spring roads meeting to discuss the status of the roads and the upcoming projects they have going and Doug Riedel with the county is here to assist us. Riedel passed out road construction guides which show the road projects going on this year and Riedel stated that there were none in Berlin Township this year. The Piatt Road extension to the new high school is on the horizon. Plans are being designed now and will be done by the end of the year. They expect construction to start in 2018 and are not sure it will be done before school starts. Fleischer asked how long Cheshire Road would be closed when they put in the round-about at Piatt Road and Riedel said usually 45 to 90 days.

Irwin said he wanted to take a look at Piatt Road south of Cheshire Road now that the ditch petition has gone through they need to look at getting right-of-way requirements, engineering plans and utilities underway in order to apply for an OPWC grant, without all these things they won’t even look at it. He said everyone was hot and heavy on the ADA wheelchair ramps and need to plan on how much it will cost and spread it out over a couple of years. He came up with 200 ramps that need to be done and would like to start in 2018. Riedel said they are developing a set of plans right now for this summer for Orange, Concorde and Liberty townships where the plans go out for bid in July, they will award the contract in August and then the ramps will be done in September & October, the roads will then be paved in the summer. They will repeat the same process for roads that are getting paved in 2019 where the ramps will be done in the fall of 2018.

Irwin said it seems like the rules were written as the time has went by as the ramps were good and done exactly like they were supposed at the time, suddenly it’s not good enough anymore. The ramps in Old Field Estates are fine but when you get into Piatt Meadows there isn’t one that passes. In Harbor Point the front ramps won’t pass but the back ramps will. Irwin said in Winding Creek they have the ditch petition going on so the subdivision is all tore up. He said they have already passed the road projects for this year. The only thing they took on themselves instead of going on the county program is the crack sealing and the mastic sealing of the big fat joints which is on state bid. He said they have watched it and talked about it with Liberty Township for several years and the trustees approved a couple weeks ago to get the guys going and they are here today and hope to be done before Friday. He said he feels like he is getting more for the money with this company than with Hills Blacktop and he seems honest and efficient.

Flaherty asked if the rule regarding the ADA was that you don’t have to do them until you touch the road and Riedel said if you do any pavement work to a road you have to upgrade the ramps. Irwin said he is trying to be proactive. Riedel said we were in a good position as we are a couple years ahead of others thinking about it and we are not jumping into it the first year so we will know what costs are knowing that next year the same townships are participating so the quantity will be a little bit more letting us in. Irwin thought they averaged \$3,000 for two ramps.

Piatt Road – Irwin reiterated the need to get right-of-ways to widen the road from Cheshire Road south to Peachblow to match the portion south of Peachblow that was widened years ago. Riedel said that if we submit an REA the county engineer would do the engineering for us and then we need to have the utilities moved back. If they are in the right-of-way the utility company pays to have it done. They discussed when to apply for the OPWC and the chances of getting it and decided that if they ask for a grant for Curve Road in 2018 and then ask for a grant for Piatt Road in 2019 they would have a better chance of getting both back to back.

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Old Field Estates – They got out and looked at a large joint crack at the entrance to the subdivision where half of the road had mastic surface treatment applied to it this morning and the other half would be done later today. The company is going throughout the township this week fixing cracks. They drove thru the subdivision and looked at the wheelchair ramps and decided that there was one at the corner of Griffin and Weyant that needs to be removed as it leads to a driveway which was probably put in after the ramp was installed. It should match up to another ramp on the other side. Irwin said to get the ADA ramps in compliance some of the stop signs in the subdivision will need to be moved.

Winding Creek – They drove thru the area were the ditch petition is being worked on and Irwin said the people were willing to pay to have it done whereas the people on Berrywood do not want to pay for it even though they have water issues. He said we will be getting a bill for our portion.

Curve Road – Riedel said there was a culvert that was separating and it was easier to replace it than to repair it.

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Irwin said the parking lot at the firehouse needs work done to it and the chief has been giving them a certain amount of money to work with for the repairs and they are just spinning their wheels. There are some major repairs that have been done but there is more and the chief wanted to know if they could borrow money from the general fund and pay it back over three to five years and get it all done at one time. He said he discussed with Bullard six weeks ago but it has never been brought to a meeting. Bullard said something about needing to get with the auditor. Smith said she has never done it before so she does not know. Fleischer asked how much they thought it would be and Irwin said possibly \$125,000. The cost is split with the road department since they use the parking lot also. Irwin said Hills Blacktop did the work on the previous project and they did a fantastic job but he will need to bid it out and they may not get the bid. He said he can do his best to figure out what the cost will be if the trustee can figure out if they can do what the fire department is requesting.

Riedel asked about Curve Road by O'Brien’s if they are going to work in the downstream area. Irwin said they got with Danny and told him if they want this stuff out here at the road you have to get your work done first downstream to give us an outlet to dump this water into and if he can’t get it done we are not going to build a pipe in a hole on both sides because you think you can get it done.

Riedel asked if they have ever dealt with a ditch petition that crossed two townships and was told no. He said there was a situation on 3 B’s & K Road. He also said the crossing gates & lights at Glenn Road railroad tracks will be installed in September.

**RESOLUTION MOTION TO ADJOURN
17-04-01**

Motion: Fleischer
Second: Flaherty
Vote: Flaherty yes and Fleischer yes

Meeting adjourned by Chairman Flaherty at 11:09 a.m.

ABSENT

Ronald W. Bullard, Trustee

ATTEST:

Steve Flaherty, Trustee

Claudia Smith, Fiscal Officer

Adam Fleischer, Trustee