

Record of Proceedings – July 26, 2021
Washington Township Trustees, Warren County, Ohio

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM by Scott Hagemeyer, with Schaefer, and Fisher present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of July 12, 2021 were mailed to the Trustees prior to the meeting for review. Warrants 11429 through 11461 totaling \$7,632.77 were presented for approval.

Mr. Schaefer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fisher to approve the minutes for the July 12, 2021 regular meeting. Hagemeyer, aye; Fisher, aye; Schaefer, aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Fisher made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schaefer to approve the bills. Hagemeyer, aye; Fisher, aye; Schaefer, aye. Motion passed.

Present for the meeting were: Sheriff Larry Sims, Charles Lange, Lynda Becker, Tim Books, and Sue Rutherford.

FROM THE FLOOR:

- Sheriff Larry Sims was present and gave the annual update. He reported that people did actually stay home during the Covid Stay at Home Order. Jail attendance went from 300 to 145.

The County will start moving the administrative offices over to the new jail facility in the next week or so and the rest will follow soon after. The new jail will have 499 beds (66 female and 224 male), as compared to 280 total beds in the old jail.

Ribbon cutting is set for October 12, 2021

- Sue Rutherford, 1411 Corwin Road stated that since the last Trustee meeting she has noticed about a 75% improvement at the Little River Bar and Grill, noticing “No Parking” signs at the bike path, and a significant decrease in disturbances with only a couple of problems around July 3rd. She feels the owners are still rude to the surrounding community, and would not even cooperate with them during a half hour outdoor wedding of a resident.

Charles Lang, 6642 Ross Road reported that the bands do stop at 10:00 PM.

ROADS REPORT: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- Mr. Hagemeyer asked if anyone had heard any more complaints or any positive comments concerning noise at The Little River Bar & Grill. Mr. Fisher stated that the Sheriff’s Office is still patrolling the area.
- Mr. Hagemeyer stated that he had spoken with State Representative Scott Lipps concerning the problem that Mr. Brausch was having at Brausch Farms with the OEPA. Mr. Lipps was available to speak with Mr. Brausch on the July 29, 2021 but Mr. Brausch is not available that day, so they will try to work out another day. The Trustees fully support the spreading of the compost on fields and would not like to see it taken to a landfill.

- ARP Funds were discussed further. Mr. Fisher will contact the Prosecutor's Office and see if they have guidance on how the monies can be spent.

A motion was made by Mr. Schaefer and seconded by Mr. Fisher to pursue ARP Funds. Hagemeyer, aye; Fisher, aye; Mr. Schaefer, aye. Motion passed.

- Mr. Fisher stated that he has not received any word from the Director of Transportation at ODOT, on the speed limit on Ross Road.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Hagemeyer stated that he will not be in attendance at the August 9, 2021 Trustee meeting.
- Mr. Hagemeyer stated that he had received an email stating that the audit will begin for years 2019 and 2020. Ms. Coffman confirmed that the audit has begun.
- Mr. Schaefer stated that the Olive Branch Church would like to use the hall for a meeting in the near future, and he will be in attendance of that meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mr. Fisher to waive the fee for the use of the Hall due to the church being a non-profit organization. Hagemeyer, aye; Fisher, aye; Schaefer, aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Schaefer and seconded by Mr. Fisher to adjourn at 9:04 PM.

Scott Hagemeyer
Trustee President

Sharon Coffman
Fiscal Officer