

Record of Proceedings – July 11, 2022
Washington Township Trustees, Warren County, Ohio

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Jason Fisher with Mr. Schaefer and Mr. Hagemeyer present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of June 27, 2022 were mailed to the Trustees prior to the meeting for review. Warrants 11728 through 11735 totaling \$15,802.04 were presented for approval.

Mr. Hagemeyer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schaefer to approve the minutes for the June 27, 2022 regular meeting. Fisher, aye; Schaefer, aye; Hagemeyer, aye. Motion passed.

A motion to pay the bills was made by Mr. Schaefer and seconded by Mr. Hagemeyer. Fisher, aye; Schaefer, aye; Hagemeyer, aye. Motion passed.

Present for the meeting were: Tim Books, Tom & Julie Kozel, and Chief William Harrison.

FROM THE FLOOR:

- Chief Harrison from the Salem Morrow Fire Department reported that he had been off since the first part of the year recovering from a couple surgeries but is back now. He reported that all runs are up in the department. He stated that it is still hard to find volunteers and part time members for the department. His Assistant Chief John Moenster, will be taking over the department next year and Chief Harrison will stay on a few years to train him.
- Tom and Julie Kozel of 9379 Arrowhead Lane spoke about a problem they are having with a neighbor. The Fourth of July weekend the neighbors had all night partying and loud music for 18 hours straight, which included 2 live bands and fireworks. When asked nicely to turn down the music the neighbor refused. The Kozels' would like to know what they can do and if it was possible for the Township to have a noise ordinance. The Board informed them that the best way to handle this type of problem is to call the Sherriff's Office as many times as necessary. The Sherriff's Department records each call. The Trustees have had conversations with Barry Riley from the Sherriff's Office and Adam Nice from the Prosecutor's Office. An Ordinance does not seem to be the best answer for noise problems in the Township. A Disorderly Conduct charge can be enforced by the Sherriff's Office. Kozels stated that they did call once and the neighbor informed them that some members of the Sherriff's Department would be present at the party. They stated that the neighbor also runs a home business, Do It Right Excavating. Mr. Fisher will check with the Zoning Department to see if the property is zoned for a home business.

ROADS REPORT: Mr. Stanforth reported:

- Miller Mason will be starting work possibly in a couple of days on chip sealing the roads. Allen may need to cut them off short on Flint Trail as there is housing construction going on there and a driveway being put in. He would likely need to stop them at the 3rd turn around. The board said to use his judgement on where to stop them.
- A property owner at 7890 SR 350 has ran drain lines from his property on to what is believed to be Township property. The Trustee's requested Ms. Coffman to send the property owner a letter asking him to give us a call or attend our next meeting to discuss this matter.

- The 2015 that was taken to Freightliner for repairs on a rusted transmission line is not ready yet.
- He has a couple people lined up for quotes for the tree removal at Ward Koebel Road.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Mr. Fisher stated that he Greg Carmack from the Engineer's Office contacted him and said that ODOT was not happy with the way the speed study on Strout Road was given to them so Greg has to redo it. It may be another couple of weeks before we hear anything on it.
- Mr. Fisher heard from Adam Nice, Warren County Prosecutor's Office, saying that the Trustees will be able to comment on the liquor license renewal for Little River Bar and Grill . No one has received any new complaints about noise from the business.
- Mr. Hagemeyer asked if the Township had been able to get a EUI number from the federal government for the purpose of receiving federal grant money. Ms. Coffman stated she has been working on it for a few months and is close to having the problem solved.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Hagemeyer requested that information be put on the Township website stating the date of the Primary Election coming up on August 2, 2022.
- Mr. Schaefer stated that Schumacher Dugan has been doing some cleaning up of fence row on their property at the corner of Wilmington Rd and Olive Branch.

A Public Hearing was opened at 8:09 PM for the purpose of discussing the 2023 Budget. Trustees discussed the budget and at 8:28 PM Mr. Schaefer moved to close the Public Hearing. Mr. Fisher seconded the motion.

A motion was made by Mr. Schaefer and seconded by Mr. Fisher to return to the regular meeting at 8:30 PM. Fisher, yes, Schaefer, yes; Hagemeyer, yes. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mr. Schaefer to approve Resolution No. 2022-07-01 Washington Township 2023 Budget. Fisher, yes, Schaefer, yes; Hagemeyer, yes. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Schaefer and seconded by Mr. Hagemeyer to adjourn at 8:30 PM.

Jason Fisher
Trustee President

Sharon Coffman
Fiscal Officer