

Record of Proceedings – August 8, 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 July 25, 2022 were mailed to the Trustees prior to the meeting for review. Warrants 11755 through 11760 totaling \$145,059.59 were presented for approval.

Mr. Hagemeyer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schaefer to approve the minutes for the July 25, 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, John Boyd, and Lonnie Lisle, Tom Kozel, Julie Kozel, and Chase Struna.

FROM THE FLOOR:

- John Boyd, 6781 Olive Branch Road, stated that his parent's residence at 6811 Olive Branch Road have been dealing with a problem for years with the swale in their driveway and around their mailboxes created when the state came in and raised the overpass. Now when the County plows the swell continues down their driveway. He asked where he could start to get the problem fixed. The Trustees stated that he needs to start with ODOT. Mr. Fisher will find a contact and let Mr. Boyd know.
- Chase Struna representing Little Miami Gig, gave an update stating that they have been busy in the area installing Fiber Optics. They have worked on SR 350 Arrowcreek/ Blazing Trail area, building east down Wilmington Road Shepherds Way is built out. Also working SR 350 to SR 22&3. They have received the ok from ODOT to go under I-71 from Lincoln to Jeffrey Road.

He is requesting the Township to allow Little Miami Gig to put a 3'X2' cabinet location within Township property. Mr. Fisher stated that it would be within the public utility access area.

A motion was made by Mr. Schaefer and seconded by Mr. Hagemeyer to allow Little Miami Gig to place a cabinet location on Township Property. Fisher, aye; Schaefer, aye; Hagemeyer, aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Fisher asked Mr. Struna to keep us updated and also to address the safety problems of the crew working half on and half off the road with no flaggers or signs. Also, to settle the restoration problems on Strout Road and Senior Road, and the box in the ditch at Meuerfield.

ROADS REPORT: Mr. Stanforth reported:

- The 40-mph speed limit and curb signs are now up on Strout Road.
- The owner of the property at 7890 SR 350 removed the drain lines from Township property and got it back to almost what it was.

- The tree removal at Ward Koebel Road is complete and Allen is satisfied with the job MBI did.
- The hydraulic motor is at Cooks Hydraulic for repair.
- He has received the Freightliner back after repairs.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Mr. Hagemeyer stated that even though the Township will not receive any funds directly from the One Ohio Distribution, it is still necessary to approve Resolution No. 2022-08-02 Approving Participation in Region 14 Governance Structure Under The OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding. A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mr. Schaefer to approve Resolution No. 2022-08-02. Fisher, aye; Schaefer, aye; Hagemeyer, aye. Motion passed.
- Mr. Hagemeyer reminded the audience that Washington Township has an electric aggregation program for township residents. Information can be found on the Township Website or you can get the info from one of the Trustees or Fiscal Officer. The current rate for Dynegy Energy if you have AES is .0469 through June 2023 and AES is currently 10. If you have Duke Energy the price through Energy Harbor is .0484.
- Mr. Fisher stated the Ms. Coffman heard back from the County concerning our question about progress on our interest to join in with the County and other neighboring entities concerning working together to broaden Broadband service for residents. The County has requested a proposal on July 24, 2022 and responses are due back by September 9, 2022.
- Mr. Fisher spoke with Mr. Moran at Do It Right Construction about the 4th of July complaint from a resident about loud music and noise for 18 straight hours. Mr. Moran claims he was 100% legal and had talked to the Sherriff's Office prior to the party held on July 4, 2022. The Trustees suggested that if the residents have any further problems they keep calling the Sherriff's Office so that the complaints will be recorded.
- Ms. Coffman reported that the Township received the check for the sale of the old backhoe on Gov Deals in the amount of \$31,450.00.
- Mr. Schaefer reported that there was a car accident on Wilmington Road Friday morning between Ward Koebel Road and Lincoln Road.
- There will be a Warren County SWCD annual meeting on August 24, 2022 at 5:00 PM. Mr. Fisher and Mr. Schaefer will attend.
- Warren County Soil & Water will conduct Ag Tours of a couple farms in this area, the Maple View Farm and the Brandstraeter Farm.
- Ms. Coffman presented Resolution No. 2022-08-01 to Rollback the Fire & EMS Levy to 2.25 mills for 2023. If you live in the WCJFD area of the Township your taxes are sent directly to the Fire Department but if you live in the Wayne Township or Salem/Morrow coverage area, you voted in a levy for 3.0 mills for fire and EMS coverage. For several years the Township Trustees have voted to reduce this to 2.25 mills.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mr. Fisher to approve Resolution No. 2022-08-01. Fisher, aye; Schaefer, aye; Hagemeyer, aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mr. Schaefer to adjourn at 7:59 PM.

Jason Fisher
Trustee President

Sharon Coffman
Fiscal Officer