

Record of Proceedings – October 24, 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 October 10, 2022 were mailed to the Trustees prior to the meeting for review. Warrants 11808 through 11830 totaling \$19,234.81 were presented for approval.

Motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer to approve the minutes for the October 10, 2022 regular meeting Schaefer seconded. 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, Don Rohdenburg, Julie Cracolici, and Chris Brausch.

FROM THE FLOOR: Don Rohdenburg and Julie Cracolici at 285 Lincoln Road voiced their concerns about the Whispering Hearts Event Center located at 7920 Wilmington Road. They want to know who protects their rights as residents. They are concerned about the new zoning request to increase capacity of the event center. Already they are a nuisance due to outside amplified music for hours at a time and people using Lincoln Road as the entrance instead of Wilmington Road. The Trustees told them that the first step to take in a problem like this is to call the Sheriff's Office and complain. That way a record is made of each complaint. Enforcement is done by the Sheriff's Office. The Trustees also stated that residents with concerns should attend the zoning hearing on November 29, 2022 at 6:30 PM.

The Trustees discussed the zoning request at length and asked Ms. Coffman to respond to the Warren County Zoning Department with the following concerns:

1. A review request was sent to Washington Township Fire; this portion of our Township is covered by the Clinton Warren Joint Fire District (CWJFD). Please send this review to them for their comments, as any form of approval from this body would be contingent upon their review and approval.
2. We would like clarification of Statement (H) under SUMMARY OF APPLICATION. Sounds: There shall be no outside amplified music-except for music performed during a wedding ceremony for conditional use allowance within residential districts.
Does this mean that music may be played the entire duration of the wedding for 12 hours?
3. Can more than one wedding/event occur on the same day? Therefore, the time frame being two consecutive 12-hour periods, or two at the same time?
4. With the current parking situation of 74 regular spaces and 3 handicap spaces, there is not enough parking to facilitate the requested 275 capacity limit.
5. We also have concerns about increased traffic volume.
6. Access to events/weddings should be exclusively from Wilmington Road, not using Lincoln Road for this purpose.

7. The original documents stated the time frame of 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. 12:00 PM is Noon. Is this correct or a typo?

8. The new documents do not specify a time frame at all and this should be decided.

ROADS REPORT:

- Mr. Stanforth had nothing new to report. Mr. Fisher stated that the ditching looks good.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ms. Coffman presented Resolution No. 2022-10-01 Approving and Signing the Joint Use Agreement with the Girl Scouts of Western Ohio. Mr. Nice of the Warren County Prosecutor's Office has reviewed the agreement and sees no problem with it. A motion was made by Mr. Hagemeyer and seconded by Mr. Schaefer to approve Resolution No. 2022-10-01. Fisher, aye; Schaefer, aye; Hagemeyer, aye. Motion passed. Ms. Coffman will send the signed agreement to Ali Trianfo.

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NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Schaefer reported the WCJFD had 59 EMS runs and 37 Fire Runs during the last period. They are in the process of hiring 3 full time members offering a salary, insurance, and vacation. Paul will report the estimated cost of this at the next meeting.
- Mr. Hagemeyer reported that the Warren County Township Association Annual Dinner will be November 10, 2022 at Armco Park. Mr. Hagemeyer, Mr. Schaefer, Mr. Fisher, and Ms. Coffman will attend. Ms. Coffman will make reservations.
- Mr. Stanforth stated that the water heater that had been dumped in the ditch on Nicholson Road was gone before he got there.

A motion was made by Mr. Schaefer and seconded by Mr. Hagemeyer to adjourn at 8:09 PM.

Jason Fisher
Trustee President

Sharon Coffman
Fiscal Officer