

Record of Proceedings – May 13, 2024
Washington Township Trustees, Warren County, Ohio

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Scott Hagemeyer. With Trustees Jason Fisher and Dale Settlemyre, Fiscal Officer Sharon Coffman, and Road Supervisor Allen Stanforth present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of April 22, 2024 were mailed to the Trustees prior to the meeting for review. Warrants 12287 through 12299 totaling \$39,769.71 were presented for approval.

A motion was made by Mr. Fisher to approve the minutes for the April 8, 2024 regular meeting, Mr. Settlemyre seconded. Hagemeyer, aye; Fisher, aye; Settlemyre, aye. Motion passed.

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

Present for the meeting were: Tim Books

FROM THE FLOOR: Nothing

ROADS REPORT:

- Mr. Stanforth reported that he has cleaned up tornado damage at Gum Grove Road and will haul it away soon. He also partially cleaned up the damage at Woodward Claypool Road. But he said that parts of it is tangled in with the phone lines and cannot remove until the phone company comes to fix the lines.
- He picked up the Alamo mower and it mows great.
- The Hopewell Subdivision Project has begun. They are battling the weather but have done the milling and some sawing. They hope to begin base repair on Tuesday.
- The County Chip Seal bid was won by G&S Construction and came in at \$131,000.00 but without lines it should be \$128,000.00.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Ms. Coffman reported that the SLFRF report for this reporting year is done.
- Mr. Hagemeyer stated that at the last CWJFD the district discussed having the 3 townships mow the grounds on a monthly basis with Washington, Vernon, and Adams Township each doing a month, but they did not like this idea and asked if Settlemyre Seed would be willing to donate the mowing services. Mr. Settlemyre stated he would be willing to donate the services to the District.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Hagemeyer stated that Olive Branch Road will be closed for approximately 4 weeks beginning May 13, 2024. for the construction of a drilled pier wall to stabilize the roadway which will be completed by W.E. Smith Construction, Inc. This project is funded by the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC), and the Warren County Engineer's Office. Also, Jeffery Road will be closed for approximately 3 days beginning May 15, 2024, for culvert repair.

Ms. Coffman will add these closures to the website and send an email to residents that are included in the email list.

- Mr. Hagemeyer asked if the meeting with the OTARMA representative Gene Rizzo had been rescheduled. Ms. Coffman said that it had been cancelled because Allen was busy with cleanup from the tornado. The representative will call back to reschedule the appraisal of the buildings.

- CWJFD update:

Mr. Hagemeyer reported that at the meeting on the 9th that the Mayor, Noni Wood, reported that the Village of Clarksville is on a Fiscal Watch/Emergency Watch, and when the Auditor was looking at their books they discovered that the Fire Department was only paying for part of the water bill as there is only one meter on one side of the building. Therefore, the department will begin being billed for the entire building. Also, the Village only does blanket billing and does not read the meters, so they will start reading meters and charging appropriately for water usage. The Village will continue to pay for the Fire Hydrants. Mr. Hagemeyer asked the Mayor if the department could be billed at cost since they are a non-profit organization. The Mayor was not opposed to the idea but will have to take the question to the Village Council for a vote.

The current levy is due to expire at the end of this year, Discussion found that most board members are in favor of a renewal of the current levy on the ballot this year.

- Mr. Hagemeyer said that he has received several emails from the Warren County Park District asking him to serve on a steering committee regarding their Strategic Plan. He does not have time to serve on another board at this time so he will let them know.
- Mr. Fisher said that he notified ODOT concerning the complaint from Mr. Rick Oeder on mowing the area of Middleboro Road and SR 350.
- Ms. Coffman will put the phone number for ODOT on the website.
- A motion was made by Mr. Settlemyre and seconded by Mr. Fisher to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Scott Hagemeyer
Trustee President

Sharon Coffman
Fiscal Officer