

OHIO TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

July 13, 2020

The trustees met in regular session with all members present.

Also present was Frank Renn, Cindy Cassell, Ron McGlone, Tricia McConnell-Stephen, Beth McConnell, Les Smith and Emily Supinger

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mr. Hinson.

Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 8, 2020 regular meeting, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted “yea”

Tricia McConnell-Stephen and Beth McConnell both indicated that they were in attendance to learn more about township zoning.

Les Smith gave his zoning report (on file): Reported that Larry Williams has worked out a plea deal with the county on the zoning issues on his property. Emily Supinger reported that the township has received two notices of appeal from property owners at Lazy Daze campground; will review for timeliness and decide whether or not to set a hearing date. Les Smith further explained some of the framework regarding zoning violations to the McConnells. Frank Renn asked about the Nurre property at 1716 Lindale Nicholsville Rd. Emily Supinger noted all county departments have been contacted to assist with cleanup with no success, therefore the township is limited to cleaning up the yard only. Mr. Hinson asked about the zoning book typesetting. Bill Gilpin reported that it is still being worked on.

Department Reports: Due to the corona virus situation the fire department and maintenance department reports were submitted in writing and are on file. Cpl. Feilhauer reported 2 overdoses and no other issues. Dave O'Connor reported serious problems with the firehouse mound system that will require a sizable repair or replacement. Ms. Niehaus agreed to be the contact for the township with the county board of health to work on a resolution for the septic system problem.

OLD BUSINESS:

Website Maintenance: Ms. Niehaus reported that the new website is nearing completion and will be ready to launch soon. There was discussion on sending out a post card to township residents announcing the new website. Mr. Hinson and Ms. Niehaus were in favor of the idea. Mr. Vogelsang expressed reservation about the cost of the mailing and accuracy of the mailing list. Ms. Niehaus reported a cost of \$572 to mail to residents of the unincorporated area of the township only and \$1163 to mail to all residents including those that live in the village.

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Ms. Niehaus made a motion to send a postcard to all township residents announcing the new township website at a cost not to exceed \$1200, seconded by Mr. Hinson. Ms. Niehaus and Mr. Hinson voted “yea”. Mr. Vogelsang voted “nay”

COMMUNICATIONS: Bill Gilpin reported receiving the annual report from the soil and water conservation district.

NEW BUSINESS:

2021 Tax Budget Approval: Mr. Hinson noted the need to approve the 2021 tax budget that was reviewed in the public hearing earlier in the evening.

Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to approve the 2021 tax budget, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted “yea”

Zoning Commission Appointment: Mr. Hinson reported that Robert McInturf has resigned from the zoning commission due to moving outside of the township. Mr. Hinson has spoken with Kathy Waldeck who would like to move from the alternate position to regular member replacing Robert McInturf.

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to appoint Kathy Waldeck to the open spot on the zoning commission expiring September 2024, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted “yea”

Liability Insurance Renewal: Bill Gilpin reported receiving a phone call asking if the township is accepting quotes for liability insurance coverage. Mr. Vogelsang agreed to be the township contact for obtaining quotes for insurance coverage.

Mr. Vogelsang reported receiving a solicitation letter offering to buy his property.

Mr. Hinson thanked Cindy Cassell and her 4H group for the recent painting and sprucing up at the township park.

Mr. Hinson reported that the salute to leaders program is being held this evening, therefore Tom Niehaus is representing the township.

Mr. Hinson reported meeting with Kristin Bennett at the park. The concession stand has been emptied out due to them planning on using the fields for practice only.

Mr. Hinson reported that Chief Wright has asked if the township can leave the vestibule area of the firehouse unlocked so that masks can be left there for the public to pick up. The consensus was to allow the fire department to do so.

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Mr. Hinson noted that all township hall and shelter reservations have been canceled for July and asked for input for August. The consensus was to leave the facilities closed through August due to the recent increase in Covid 19 cases.

Tricia McConnell Stephen asked how she could find out when the board of zoning appeals hearing will be held regarding the Lazy Daze campground. Les Smith will contact her when and if a hearing date is set.

Fund balances were discussed.

The following were read and approved with warrants written for same: (payment summary on following page).

***Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to adjourn at 7:29pm, seconded by Ms. Niehaus.
All members voted “yea”***