

OHIO TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

September 17, 2020

The trustees met in special session with all members present.

Also present was Emily Supinger, Rick Anderson, Paul Sanders and Dave O'Connor

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by Mr. Hinson.

Paul Sanders of the Clermont County Board of Health distributed information and pictures of the firehouse mound septic system that is in need of repairs.

Mr. Hinson noted that the township feels that option 3 on the board of health's list of repair options is the township's preference. Paul Sanders agreed; noted that the system has fiberglass tanks which is good; water records show 104 gallons used per day with the system being designed to handle 360 gallons per day.

Paul Sanders explained that the top of the mound system will need to be stripped off down to good soil and rebuilt to current specifications.

Mr. Hinson asked what has caused the system to fail. Paul Sanders indicated he feels the sand used may not have been the best sand and that the filter fabric may have deteriorated along with possibly using unwashed gravel. Paul Sanders also noted that the system footer drain will need to be found and make sure it is working properly as well. Paul Sanders also noted that the control panels may need to be upgraded and replaced and that an air pump may need to be installed.

Mr. Vogelsang asked what the life expectancy of a mound system is. Paul Sanders replied that if installed and maintained properly they should last forever.

Mr. Vogelsang asked how the system could be repaired while it is in use. Rick Anderson explained that the holding tanks would be pumped as necessary to prevent water from entering the system during repairs.

Mr. Vogelsang asked how much the repairs would cost. Rick Anderson indicated that he will need to get quotes on new control panels and present the cost to the township.

Mr. Hinson asked if the whole system will need to be replaced or just a portion of it. Paul Sanders stated that only the defective portion of the system will need to be replaced.

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Ms. Niehaus noted that we need to be sure the footer drain system is also fixed properly.

Paul Sanders noted that the worst case scenario would be that a new system would be installed next to the existing system.

Mr. Hinson asked what the next step needed to be. Emily Supinger suggested passing a motion to begin the process.

Mr. Hinson made a motion to proceed with option 3 for the mound system repairs, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"

Paul Sanders explained that the township will need to obtain a permit within 90 days that will be good for one year to allow plenty of time to make the proper repairs to the mound system.

Ms. Niehaus asked how the township can begin the repair process. Paul Sanders stated that he create the system repair specifications within the next couple of weeks and then the township can apply for the permit.

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to adjourn at 9:24am, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"