

OHIO TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

November 9, 2020

The trustees met in regular session with all members present.

Also present was Ron McGlone, Frank Renn, Larry Bramlage, Angela Pelfrey, William Meadows, Albert Ramirez, Lori Crowe, Dena Ward, Sarah Adams, Ryan Adams, Ron Pelfrey, Crawford Rowe, Janet Feist, County Commissioner David Painter, 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 October 12, 2020 regular meeting, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted "yea"

Angela Pelfrey from Lazy Daze campground spoke on behalf of several owners present inquiring about a possible zoning change for the campground. Emily Supinger noted that two things would be necessary to facilitate a zoning change: a new zoning district would have to be created in the township zoning code along with corresponding rules and regulations, and: the zoning commission would have to meet, review the recommendation received from the county planning commission and make a recommendation to the board of trustees, who ultimately would vote on the proposal. William Meadows asked if temporary regulations could be adopted as some are compliant while others are not. Janet Feist noted that several owners haven't been notified of their zoning code violations. Others noted that only some have been notified of violations and asked when the remaining property owners would be notified and made to comply with regulations. Frank Renn noted that if the zoning calls for one camper per lot then all lot owners should be made to comply. Emily Supinger noted that all properties in violation should be notified of violations and made compliant; also noted that the property owners will need to come up with a plan for what the proposed new zoning district regulations would be and submit an application to the zoning commission. Mr. Vogelsang asked if anyone had any paperwork given to them when they purchased their property; answer was no. The question of how much a zoning change would cost Emily Supinger noted that there would only be an application fee. Mr. Vogelsang asked how many lots and property owners there were; answer was approximately 40 lots and 15 owners. William Meadows noted that the current zoning code really doesn't fit for how the campground is used. Les Smith will begin looking into all zoning violations on the remaining lots not previously notified.

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Les Smith gave his zoning report (on file): Emily Supinger reported that she worked with Les Smith on the Williams property and new orders have been sent out. Les Smith reported that the Carson property is in probate and the court has not yet decided who owns the property; the son is working on getting the property cleaned up.

Department Reports: Due to the corona virus situation the fire department, maintenance department and sheriff reports were submitted in writing and are on file.

OLD BUSINESS:

Septic System Remediation: Ms. Niehaus reported that Howerton Construction has been contacted and would like to submit a bid on the project. Mr. Hinson noted that December 17 is the deadline to procure a permit from the county. Ms. Niehaus indicated that she would like to make sure any company submitting a bid has the outline from the board of health to work with in calculating their bid. Ms. Niehaus will call additional contractors and follow up on quotes.

CARES Act Monies: Bill Gilpin reported on the CARES Act obligations. \$98,463 has been encumbered leaving \$26,936 currently unencumbered; asked for a motion to pay a portion of the annual fire protection contract with any unencumbered funds on November 20.

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to use any unencumbered CARES Act funds to pay a portion of the annual fire protection contract, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"

Annual Fire Contract: Bill Gilpin reported that Chief Wright has agreed to a 2% increase in the fire protection contract payment for 2020, resulting in the total cost being \$78,440; asked for a motion to pay the invoice provided by Chief Wright.

Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to pay the annual fire protection invoice in the amount of \$78,440.00, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted "yea"

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mr. Hinson noted receiving recognition from Representative Wenstrup and the National Park Service for achieving getting the Samaritan Cemetery added to the list of underground railroad network to freedom sites.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Niehaus reported that the grant application to Connect Clermont was denied due to their regulations considering the project of repairing the tennis courts a construction project.

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Emily Supinger reported that she will be unable to attend the December meeting in person but will attend by phone.

Mr. Vogelsang reported receiving a complaint about a barking dog. As the township has a barking dog resolution on file Emily Supinger suggested the resident call the sheriff's office to handle the complaint.

Mr. Hinson reported that he has canceled the remaining township hall reservations for the remainder of the year.

Fund balances were discussed.

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

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to adjourn at 7:44pm, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"