



WAYNE TOWNSHIP

BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

September 21, 2020

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Wayne Township Trustees

BILL JONES
ED TRUSTER
TIM TAYLOR

Administrator/Zoning

DANIEL HOIT

Fiscal Officer

LAURA DALEY

CALL TO ORDER

Bill Jones called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood for the pledge of allegiance to our flag.

ROLL CALL

All members of the board were present.

AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- August 17, 2020 meeting –
A motion to approve the August 17th minutes was made by Edward Truster, followed by a second by Tim Taylor; Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

REPORTS

- Fiscal Officer
- Fire – A motion to approve the hiring of Austin Scott to the fire department was made by Edward Truster, followed by a second by Tim Taylor; roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

Tim Taylor asked Daniel if we have thought anymore of a generator for the fire department. If we are accepting the Corona Virus Relief funds, this could possibly be a covered expense. Daniel will look into getting an updated quote.

- Zoning
- Road

Reports are attached.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1.** Heavenly Acres Update- everything is ready to go. A motion to approve the County to place this project out to bid was made by Edward Truster, followed by a second by Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. The project will be placed out to bid by the County.
- 2.** Internet Access – discussing the option of opening the township hall to the public during the pandemic is not really an option as we can not reasonably keep it staffed and sanitized. The Midpointe library will continue to offer jetpacks for the community and we will continue to have to public access in the parking lot.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1.** Memorandum for Facility use during Covid – A memorandum was passed, temporarily suspending the use of the township facilities during the pandemic until January 1st, 2020. This Memorandum may be revisited at anytime. A motion to approve was made by Edward Truster, followed by a second by Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.
- 2.** Noxious Weeds- Information was obtained by the Ohio dept. of Agriculture OSU extension giving township's the right to have it's resident's control the spread of obnoxious weeds. There are a few properties the township will need to send a letter to to remind resident's of the dangers of allowing these weeds to get out of control. If the resident does not take care of the issue the township can go onto the property, correct the problem and assess these costs to the homeowner's taxes.
- 3.** A motion to apply for the CDBG grant to purchase air packs at a 5% match for the township. Edward Truster made a motion to apply for the grant for the purposes above, followed by a second by Time Taylor. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent

LEGISLATION

- 1.** A resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. A motion was made by Edward Truster, followed by a second by Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.
- 2.** A resolution declaring an emergency in Wayne Township due to the Corona Virus and requesting its share of funds from the Butler County CoronaVirus Relief distribution fund and stating the township will only expend funds to cover costs consistent with 5001 of the CARES Act as described in HB 481. A motion to approve was made by Edward Truster, and followed by a second by Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

None.

AUDIENCE OF TRUSTEES

Tim Taylor – None.

Edward Truster – None.

Bill Jones – questioned if the Road department had gone out to re-shoot the ditch line on Cotton Run, he was curious if the work the County had done had improved the flow. Daniel explained we believe it has helped it to free flow. Next he stated that Pam Pratt had contacted him to see if any of the three trustees would be available to participate on a Community advisory plan team. Meetings will be held throughout October on Monday evenings. Tim Taylor stated he would look into it.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To discuss contracts with Fire Department Personnel

A motion to go into executive session to discuss contracts was made by Tim Taylor at 8:14pm, followed by a second by Edward Truster. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. The Trustees asked certain members of staff to join them in discussing the contract in executive session.

A motion to come out of executive session at 8:52pm was made by Edward Truster, followed by a second by Bill Jones. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

The letter being sent to Seven Mile Fire Department regarding placing the Fire Department's contract out to bid at the end of the current contract was read aloud and a copy of the invitation letter and the newly worked contract will be sent to seven mile and St. Claire township to see if they would like to bid as well, as these are the only two departments that can adequately cover the area.

NEXT MEETING

1. October 19, 2020 at 7pm

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Edward Truster, followed by a second by Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

The regular Trustees meeting was adjourned at 9:01pm.