

MINUTES OF REGULAR TRUSTEE MEETING HELD JANUARY 10, 2023

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TATE TOWNSHIP MET IN REGULAR SESSION WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: TRUSTEE REED, TRUSTEE REDDEN, TRUSTEE WILSON AND FISCAL OFFICER KATHY BRANNOCK.

RES. REDDEN TO APPROVE DECEMBER 13, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES. SECONDED BY WILSON. ROLL CALL: MR. REED, YES, MR. REDDEN, YES, MR. WILSON, YES.

RES. REDDEN TO APPROVE DECEMBER 2022 BILLS. SECONDED BY WILSON. ROLL CALL: MR. REDDEN, YES, MR. REED, YES, MR. WILSON, YES.

RES. REDDEN TO APPROVE DECEMBER 2022 PAYROLL, EFT'S, AND WITHHOLDINGS. SECONDED BY WILSON. ROLL CALL; MR. REDDEN, YES, MR. REED, YES., MR. WILSON, YES.

RES. REDDEN TO APPROVE 2023 APPROPRIATIONS. 2<sup>ND</sup> WILSON. ROLL CALL: REDDEN, YES, WILSON, YES, REED, YES.

RES. WILSON TO AUTHORIZE TRUSTEE REDDEN TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED.

FISCAL OFFICER PRESENTED TO THE TRUSTEES THE FOLLOWING DECEMBER, 2022 REPORTS: BANK RECONCILIATION, APPROPRIATION SUMMARY, FUND SUMMARY, REVENUE SUMMARY, PAYMENT LISTING AND PAYROLL REPORT.

VISITORS: RUSSELL AND MARY DURBIN	ED WAGNER	J.D. NOBLE, SR.
JERRY WELCH	PAM SANDKER	GREG SCHULER

MR. DURBIN ADDRESSED THE TRUSTEES ABOUT HIS CONCERNS REGARDING THE SOLAR PANELS. HE ASKED THE TRUSTEES IF THERE WAS ANYTHING THAT THEY COULD DO. MR. REED STATED THAT THE COUNTY APPROVED THE PROJECT, THE TOWNSHIP DID NOT. MR. DURBIN STATED THAT FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP IS AMENDING THEIR ZONING RULES TO DISCOURAGE SOLAR COMPANIES. MR. REED STATED THAT THE CLERMONT COUNTY COMMISISONERS WERE GOING TO HAVE A MEETING LAST YEAR TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE BUT HAVE NOT HELD ONE YET. MR. DURBIN IS CONCERNED THAT PROPERTY VALUES WILL DROP BY AT LEAST 30%. MR. REED INFORMED MR. DURBIN THAT ANY DAMAGE TO THE ROADS MADE BY THE SOLAR COMPANY WILL BE REPAIRED. CLERMONT COUNTY IS MONITORING THE ROAD CONDITIONS AND WILL MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE REPAIRED. MR. REED ADVISED MR. DURBIN TO CONTACT THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WITH HIS CONCERNS.

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MR. NOBLE INFORMED THE TRUSTEES THAT DUE TO THE DEER PROCESSING BUSINESS NEXT TO HIS RESIDENCE HE BELIEVES THERE HAS BEEN AN INCREASE IN COYOTES. HE IS AFRAID FOR HIS PETS AND GRANDCHILDREN. HE STATED THAT THE GAME WARDEN TOLD HIM TO SHOOT THEM. MR. REDDEN STATED THAT THE ENTIRE COUNTY IS INFESTED WITH COYOTES. MR. NOBLE THREATENED TO GO TO THE COMMISSIONERS UNLESS THE ZONING PROBLEM IS RESOLVED. HE WAS TOLD THAT IT IS BEING INVESTIGATED BUT IT WILL TAKE TIME.

ED WAGNER ASKED IF THE TOWNSHIP HAD ANY PAPERWORK ON HINCH STREET. HE HAS 2 DEEDS WITH DIFFERENT DESCRIPTIONS. HE WAS REFERRED TO J.C. HEWITT, SURVEYOR.

ZONING: OLD BUSINESS

2 PERMITS WERE ISSUED.

VIOLATION UPDATES WERE PRESENTED.

OFFICE PIKE: OLD BUSINESS

DECEMBER AND 2022 YEAR-TO-DATE REPORTS WERE PRESENTED.

BODY CAMS WENT LIVE IN DECEMBER. SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS DO NOT HAVE THEM. HOLSTERS AND TAZERS HAVE A SENSOR THAT ACTIVATE THE CAMERA.

FIRE CHIEF: OLD BUSINESS

DECEMBER FIRE REPORT WAS PRESENTED: 199 RUNS (61 FIRE/138 EMS)

2022 YEAR END REPORT WAS PRESENTED.

DAVE LONG'S RETIREMENT DATE WILL BE FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>. HIS LAST WORKING DAY WILL BE JANUARY 23<sup>RD</sup>. THERE WILL BE A LUNCHEON ON THAT DAY. HE HAS ASKED TO BE MOVED TO HONORARY STATUS.

FIRE CHIEF RECOMMENDED THAT THE TRUSTEES APPROVED THE HIRING OF ZACH DOWNING TO FILL DAVE LONG'S VACANCY PENDING THE OUTCOME OF THE PHYSICAL AND STRESS TEST. FEBRUARY 1 WILL BE HIS HIRE DATE. RES. REED TO APPROVE, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY WILSON. ROLL CALL: REDDEN, YES, REED, YES, WILSON, YES.

THE 3 SAFER GRANT POSITIONS WILL BE ADVERTISED ON THURSDAY. THE HIRING PROCESS WILL BEGIN ON FEBRUARY 3.

ROAD/CEMETERY-OLD BUSINESS

7 BURIALS; 2 FOUNDATION ORDERS, 9 LOT SALES

POLES WERE SET FOR THE SHELTER HOUSE ON DECEMBER 5. CONCRETE WAS POURED ON DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> AND 8<sup>TH</sup>.

THE ROAD DEPARTMENT TRIMMED TREES AND CLEARED DEBRIS FROM CULVERTS. A SNOW BLOWER HAS BEEN PURCHASED.

OFFICER PIKE-NEW BUSINESS

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ZONING INSPECTOR- NEW BUSINESS

NO NEW BUSINESS

FIRE CHIEF-NEW BUSINESS

FIRE CHIEF RECOMMENDED THAT THE TRUSTEES ACCEPT THE 2023 FIRE DEPARTMENT ROSTER THAT WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE. MOTION BY REED TO ACCEPT THE ROSTER, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY REDDEN. ROLL CALL: REDDEN, YES, REED, YES, WILSON, YES.

THE 3 NEW TABLETS AND CASES ARE IN AND THE CREWS ARE TRAINING WITH THEM FOR THE NEW EMS REPORTING SOFTWARE. THEY WILL GO LIVE WITH ESO ON FEBRUARY 1.

FIRE CHIEF RECOMMENDED ACCEPTING BRANDON PENDERGRASS'S RESIGNATION LETTER.

FIRE CHIEF RECOMMENDED HIRING TYLER SCHMIDT AS A PART TIME FF/EMT-B ON A YEAR PROBATIONARY PERIOD. MOTION BY REDDEN, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY WILSON. ROLL CALL: WILSON, YES, REDDEN, YES, REED, YES.

ERIC SMITH WILL TAKE OVER THE LIGHT MAINTENANCE ON EQUIPMENT THAT A/C LONG HAS BEEN DOING. THIS INCLUDES OIL CHANGES, OIL AND AIR FILTER CHANGES, GREASE ALL FITTINGS, ETC.

ROAD/CEMETERY-NEW BUSINESS

ALL TRUCKS WERE WINTERIZED.

64 TONS OF SALT WAS USED DURING THE WINTER STORM. 23.13 TONS OF NEW SALT WAS PURCHASED FROM MORTON SALT. THE BLUE SALT IS A BETTER QUALITY. THE TOWNSHIP ROADS WERE IS BETTER CONDITON THAN THE STATE AND COUNTY ROADS

A MEETING WAS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY THE 15<sup>TH</sup> AT 10:30 AM TO WALK THE NEWLY ACQUIRED PROPERTY TO DISCUSS WHERE THE NEW BARN WILL BE BUILT. THE COUNTY HAS MARKED THE CORNERS OF THE PROPERTY. ED WOULD LIKE TO CLEAR THE GROUND DURING THE WINTER MONTHS.

TRUSTEE REED PROPOSED THAT THE TOWNSHIP DONATE OPENING AND CLOSING FEES FOR THE BURIAL OF CASHIOUS BELL, A LONG TIME EMPLOYEE OF THE TOWNSHIP. 2<sup>ND</sup> BY WILSON. ROLL CALL: WILSON, YES, REDDEN, YES, REED, YES.

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.