

MINUTES OF REGULAR TRUSTEE MEETING HELD OCTOBER 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 SEPTEMBER 12, 2023 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES. SECONDED BY WILSON. ROLL CALL: MR. REED, YES, MR. REDDEN, YES, MR. WILSON, YES.

RES. REDDEN TO APPROVE SEPTEMBER 2023 BILLS. SECONDED BY WILSON. ROLL CALL: MR. REDDEN, YES, MR. REED, YES, MR. WILSON, YES.

RES. REDDEN TO APPROVE SEPTEMBER 2023 PAYROLL, EFT'S, AND WITHHOLDINGS. SECONDED BY REED. ROLL CALL; MR. REDDEN, YES, MR. REED, YES, MR. WILSON, YES.

FISCAL OFFICER PRESENTED TO THE TRUSTEES THE FOLLOWING SEPTEMBER 2023 REPORTS: APPROPRIATION SUMMARY, FUND SUMMARY, REVENUE SUMMARY, PAYMENT LISTING, PAYROLL REPORT, AND BANK RECONCILIATION.

FISCAL OFFICER REQUESTED APPROVAL TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION AMOUNT IN FUND 2111 BY \$200,000. RESOLUTION BY REED, SECONDED BY REDDEN. ROLL CALL, WILSON, YES, REDDEN, YES, REED, YES.

ZONING-OLD BUSINESS

VIOLATION UPDATES WERE PRESENTED. THE PEOPLE THAT ARE LIVING IN THE CAMPER WILL BE MOVING OUT.

ROAD/CEMETERY-OLD BUSINESS

SEPTEMBER CEMETERY REPORT WAS PRESENTED. THERE WERE 4 BURIALS IN SEPTEMBER, 2 FOOTERS WERE ORDERED, 5 GRAVES WERE SOLD. THERE ARE 3 FOUNDATIONS LEFT TO POUR THIS YEAR. THE CONCRETE WILL BE HAND MIXED.

MACDEONIA ROAD IS PAVED BUT NOT BERMED.

MOORE ROAD PROJECT IS SCHEDULED TO BE COMPLETED IN NOVEMBER.

5 PRIVATE CULVERTS WERE REPLACED.

THE PATTERSON ROAD PROJECT HAS BEEN COMPLETED. THE VOLUME FLOW IS EXPECTED TO BE INCREASED BY 75%.

ALL SALT TRUCKS HAVE BEEN TESTED AND ANY REPAIRS WILL BE MADE BEFORE THE FIRST SNOWFALL.

THE CURRENT SALT PRICE IS \$94.86/TON.

OFFICER PIKE-NO OLD BUSINESS

FIRE CHIEF-OLD BUSINESS

SEPTEMBER FIRE REPORT WAS PRESENTED: 151 RUNS (36 FIRE/115 EMS).

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NO NEW FIRE HYDRANTS WERE INSTALLED SINCE THE LAST MEETING.
ALL LEVY FLYERS HAVE BEEN MAILED AND ALL YARD SIGNS HAVE BEEN PUT OUT.
AN ANONYMOUS DONOR DONATED \$1000. TOWARD LEVY EXPENSES.

ZONING-NEW BUSINESS

9 PERMITS WERE ISSUED. 2 VARIANCE MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 25, 2023.

ROAD/CEMETERY-NO NEW BUSINESS

OFFICER PIKE-NO NEW BUSINESS

FIRE CHIEF-NEW BUSINESS

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY WILL BE HELD DECEMBER 9TH AT 5:30 PM.
CREWS VISITED BICK PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR FIRE PREVENTION WEEK. HILL WILL BE DONE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

2 WEEKS AGO, AN AMBULANCE CLIPPED MIRRORS WITH ANOTHER VEHICLE (NOT AT FAULT). EVERYTHING WAS REPAIRED WITHIN 3 DAYS. THE TOTAL COST WAS \$1415 WITH A \$250 DEDUCTIBLE. TRUSTEE REDDEN ASKED ABOUT DRIVERS' TRAINING. THERE IS AN ANNUAL TRAINING SCHEDULE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THE STATE REQUIRED BURN BAN IS BACK IN EFFECT FROM 6 AM TO 6 PM. BURN PERMITS WILL BE ISSUED FROM 6 PM TO DARK UNTIL DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME.

THERE WAS A MOMENT OF SILENCE IN REMEMBRANCE OF KATIE BICK MAYNARD.

TRUSTEE REED READ THE RULES OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

TRUSTEE REED ANSWERED QUESTIONS REGARDING EQUIPMENT RENTAL. THE COST OF THE RENTAL WAS CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN ART'S EQUIPMENT PRICE. \$417/DAY VS. \$795/DAY. THE TOWNSHIP HAS BEEN RENTING FROM THIS INDIVIDUAL FOR YEARS. IT IS LOCAL AND ACCESSIBLE.

TRUSTEE REDDEN RESPONDED TO RUMORS ABOUT ADDITIONAL SOLAR FIELDS IN THE TOWNSHIP. THERE IS NO CURRENT APPLICATION FOR A SECOND FACILITY. HE SUBMITTED A COPY OF AN E-MAIL FROM JULIANA GRAHAM WITH PUCO STATING THEY "CURRENTLY HAVE NOT RECEIVED AN APPLICATION FOR A SECOND NESTLEWOOD SOLAR FACILITY. IF AN APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED FOR ANOTHER NESTLEWOOD FACILITY, THE PROJECT WOULD HAVE TO START AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SITING PROCESS, INCLUDING PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING, STAFF INVESTIGATION, PUBLIC HEARING AND BOARD VOTE." THERE ARE HOWEVER, 3 APPLICATIONS IN PROCESS ELSEWHERE. THEY ARE IN BATAVIA, WILLIAMSBURG AND JACKSON TOWNSHIP. THOSE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES AND COMMISSIONERS WILL BE ATTENDING THE SITING BOARD MEETING REGARDING THEM.

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THE TRUSTEES REVIEWED THE AMENDED ZONING RESOLUTION. THERE ARE CORRECTIONS THAT NEED TO BE MADE. WILSON AND REDDEN AGREED THAT THEY NEED TO TAKE TIME TO REVIEW IT THOROUGHLY. THE TRUSTEES WILL MEET WITH LEGAL COUNSEL AT HER OFFICE ON OCTOBER 16 AT 9 AM TO GO OVER EACH ITEM THAT WAS MARKED TO EDIT.

AMY HUTCHISON STATED THAT SHE WAS NOT THE ONE THAT TURNED GARY REED IN TO THE ETHICS BOARD.

GREG SCHULER STATED THAT THE ENROLLEMENT AT GRANT CAREER CENTER HAS DOUBLED. THEY ARE WORKING ON GETTING A TRAFFIC LIGHT AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CAMPUS. HE HAS SPOKEN TO ADAM BYRD AND WOULD LIKE LETTER IN SUPPORT TO TAKE TO ODOT. CURRENTLY, VILLAGE POLICE OFFICERS ARE DIRECTING TRAFFIC AT THE END OF THE DAY.

JUDY WINKLER STATED THAT SHE BELIEVES THE TRUSTEES ARE DOING A GREAT JOB.

KATE MARTIN WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE TRUSTEES REMOVED FROM OFFICE.

ALEXA CHILDRESS TOOK EXCEPTION TO GARY REED SHARING A FACEBOOK POST FROM GREG BURNS SUPPORTING THE TRUSTEES.

JODI WILSON WAS UPSET ABOUT A POST THAT WAS SHARED ON FACEBOOK.

GREG BURNS STATED THAT HE BELIEVES THE TRUSTEES ARE DOING A GREAT JOB. HE EXPLAINED THE PROCESS TO WRITE THE ZONING RESOLUTION TAKES TIME TO GET IT RIGHT. HE STATED THAT HE WAS A TRUSTEE IN 2019 AND THAT THE TRUSTEES WERE NOT AWARE OF THE SOLAR PROJECT UNTIL IT HAD ALREADY BEEN APPROVED.

DAVID STOWELL SAID THAT THE TRUSTEES NEED TO WORK TOGETHER AND MOVE FORWARD.

LYNN BUEDE THINKS THE PROCESS IS TAKING TOO LONG.

RICK FUESTON STATED THAT SOMEONE BOUGHT THE FARM ACROSS THE ROAD FROM HIM.

SHELBY BAIRD QUESTIONED THE ORDER OF THE RESOLUTION PROCESS. TRUSTEE REED EXPLAINED THAT ONCE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGREE IT WILL BE SENT TO THE CLERMONT COUNTY ZONING COMMISSION.

RUSTY DURBIN STATED THAT NOTHING HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISH IN TEN MONTHS. HE STATED THAT THERE IS A TWO HUNDRED MILLION DOLLAR LINE OF CREDIT AVAILABLE TO THE SOLAR COMPANIES. HE STATED THAT WE SHOULD ALL WORK TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY. MOTION BY REDDEN TO ADJOURN. 2ND BY WILSON.