

MINUTES OF REGULAR TRUSTEE MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 14, 2023

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

RES. WILSON TO APPROVE OCTOBER 10, 2023 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES. SECONDED BY REDDEN. ROLL CALL: MR. REDDEN, YES, MR. WILSON, YES.

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

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

FISCAL OFFICER PRESENTED TO THE TRUSTEES THE FOLLOWING OCTOBER 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 2041 BY \$30,000. RESOLUTION BY WILSON, SECONDED BY REDDEN. ROLL CALL, WILSON, YES, REDDEN, YES.

ZONING-OLD BUSINESS

VIOLATION UPDATES WERE PRESENTED. THE PEOPLE THAT WERE LIVING IN THE CAMPER HAVE MOVED OUT.

2 VARIANCES WERE PASSED.

ROAD/CEMETERY-OLD BUSINESS

OCTOBER CEMETERY REPORT WAS PRESENTED. THERE WERE 10 BURIALS IN OCTOBER, 5 FOOTERS ORDERED, 7 MEMORIALS INSTALLED, 1 GRAVE WAS SOLD. 6 FOUNDATIONS WERE POURED, THE CONCRETE WAS HAND MIXED.

MACEDONIA ROAD PROJECT IS NOW COMPLETE.

MOORE ROAD BRIDGE WILL BE COMPLETED TOMORROW AND THE ROAD WILL BE REOPENED.

TRUSTEES WERE ASKED TO APPROVE THE ORDERING OF CULVERTS FOR NEXT YEAR'S WORK ON MOORE ROAD. MOST OF THE CULVERTS ARE TOWNSHIP CULVERTS. A LIST WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE NEXT MEETING.

KONRAD ATTENDED AN EPA TRAINING COURSE REGARDING STORM WATER.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN MOWING AND CUTTING LOW HANGING LIMBS WITH THE MOWER MAX.

CLEAN UP DAY REPORT WAS SUBMITTED. 103.51 TONS OF TRASH, 4 LOADS OF RECYCLED METAL, 3 ROLL-OFF DUMPS, 11 COMPACTOR TRUCKS, 408 TOTAL LOADS AND 211 TIRES WERE BROUGHT IN.

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THE NEW HOUSE ON SPRAGUE ROAD BEFORE MOORE ROAD HAS DAMAGE TO THE CONCRETE APRON. THE CONTRACTOR IS CLOSE TO BEING FINISHED. ED WILL CONTACT THE HOMEOWNER.

OFFICER PIKE-NO OLD BUSINESS

FIRE CHIEF-OLD BUSINESS

OCTOBER FIRE REPORT WAS PRESENTED: 139 RUNS (28 FIRE/111 EMS).

ONE NEW FIRE HYDRANTS WAS INSTALLED ON PATTERSON ROAD SINCE THE LAST MEETING BRINGING THE TOTAL TO 54.

BURN BAN IS STILL IN EFFECT THRU THE END OF THIS MONTH. WARNINGS WILL BE ISSUED FOR BURN BAN VIOLATIONS. IF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS TO GO OUT A SECOND TIME A FINE WILL BE ISSUED. THE DEPARTMENT WILL RESUME ISSUING BURN PERMITS ON DECEMBER 1.

THE FIRE CHIEF EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THOSE WHOE SUPPORTED FOR THE LEVY. 52% OF THE VOTERS VOTED FOR THE LEVY.

ZONING-NEW BUSINESS

8 PERMITS WERE ISSUED. 1 ZONING CHANGE APPLICATION WAS TAKEN.

ROAD/CEMETERY-NO NEW BUSINESS

OFFICER PIKE-NO NEW BUSINESS

FIRE CHIEF-NEW BUSINESS

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF WYATT BURNES AS A FIRE CADET WITH A 1 YEAR PROBATIONARY PERIOD. THIS WILL MAKE 10 CADETS, THE MAXIMUM ALLOWED. RES. BY WILSON, 2ND BY REDDEN. ROLL CALL: WILSON, YES, REDDEN, YES.

JOSH GINN HAS REQUESTED AND BEEN GRANTED A 6 MONTH LEAVE OF ABSENCE. MIKAYLA MANN HAS RETURNED FROM MATERNITY LEAVE.

RECOMMENDED THE TRUSTEES ACCEPT TYLER SCHMIDT'S RESIGNATION. RES. BY REDDEN, 2ND BY WILSON. ROLL CALL: REDDEN, YES, WILSON, YES.

RECOMMENDED SIGNING A RE-WRITE CONTRACT WITH OHIO FIRST RESPONDER GRANTS FOR \$500 TO RESUBMIT THE REQUEST FOR THE 800 MHZ RADIOS. THIS GRANT WOULD REPLACE 65% OF THE CURRENT 2 WAY RADIOS AND ALERT PAGERS THAT WILL BE OBSOLETE THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2025. THE GRANT IS FOR \$187,700 AND IS NORMALLY 95% FUNDED (5% OUR MATCH). RES. BY WILSON TO ACCEPT, 2ND BY REDDEN. ROLL CALL: WILSON, YES, REDDEN, YES.

REQUESTED PERMISSION FROM THE TRUSTEES TO SEND 5 FULL TIME FIREFIGHTERS TO FIRE INSPECTOR CLASS AT A COST OF \$825 PER STUDENT. THE COST WILL BE FULLY REIMBURSED BY THE STATE OF OHIO AFTER APRIL 2025. THIS CERTIFICATION IS A REQUIREMENT FOR ALL NEW FULLTIME HIRES AS FIRE INSPECTIONS ARE PART OF THE JOB

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DESCRIPTION. CLASS IS SET TO BEGIN JANUARY 2024. THE TRUSTEES APPROVED THE REQUEST.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN AWARDED \$15,000 BY THE OHIO BUREAU OF WORKERS COMPENSATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF 5 SETS OF TURNOUT GEAR (THEY BUY 4 COMPLETE SETS AND WE BUY 1 SET). THE COST TO THE DEPARTMENT IS \$2933.00.

THE LADDER TRUCK IS HAVING SHIFTING PROBLEMS. MATT ROSE HAS TORN APART THE GEAR BOX. TRUSTEES WERE ASKED TO APPROVE THE REPAIR. THE TRUCK COST THE DEPARTMENT A TOTAL OF \$46,000. THE COST TO REPLACE THE TRUCK TODAY IS 2 MILLION DOLLARS. TRUSTEES APPROVED REPAIRS.

KONRAD HAS BEEN MAKING REPAIRS ON OTHER PIECES OF FIRE EQUIPMENT.

MIKE McCONNELL PRESENTED THE TRUSTEES WITH A PETITION FROM RESIDENTS ON CASE ROAD REQUESTING THAT THE TOWNSHIP VACATE THE ROAD WHERE IT INTERSECTS WITH WILSON ROAD. HE PRODUCED AN OLD MAP AND A 2010 SURVEY THAT SHOWED NO IMPROVEMENTS OR MAINTENANCE. THE PETITION HAD OVER 55 SIGNATURES. THE TRUSTEES SAID THAT THE COUNTY ENGINEERS WOULD BE CONTACTED THE NEXT DAY.

AMY CAMPBELL ASKED ABOUT THE MEETING THE TRUSTEES HAD WITH THE ATTORNEY REGARDING THE SOLAR REGULATION. THE TRUSTEES MET WITH COUNTY PROSECUTORS TO UPDATE THE ZONING RESOLUTION. THEY SPENT 2 ½ HOURS REVIEWING THE LEGALITIES OF CHANGES. NO CONTEXT WAS REMOVED. SOME REPEATED ITSELF AND WAS CONDENSED. WIND AND SOLAR WERE IN TWO SEPERATE SECTIONS AND WERE COMBINED. THERE WERE SOME FORMATTING ISSUES. IT WAS RECOMMENDED TO CONTACT 2 OTHER LAW FIRMS THAT ARE EXPERIENCED TO PUT THE RESOLUTION IN THE PROPER FORMAT.

TYLER GIBBS ASKED IF THRE IS A TIMELINE OF THE "FREEZE". TRUSTEE REDDEN STATED THAT CURRENTLY ZONING DOES NOT ADDRESS SOLAR. THE TRUSTEES ARE TRYING TO WRITE THE REGULATION TO PROTECT ALL THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP.

LYNN BUEDE ASKED IF DALE ARNOLD HAD BEEN CONTACTED. SHE ASKED IF THE 3 TRUSTEES HAD SAT DOWN WITH HIM BEFORE WORKING WITH CHOICE ONE. SHE WAS TOLD THAT HE HAS BEEN SENT DRAFTS AND HAD RESPONDED THAT HE WOULD SET UP A VIDEO CONFERENCE ONCE THE DRAFT IS RECEIVED.

GREG SCHULER STATED THAT THE ZONING COMMISSION WILL HAVE A MEETING WHEN THE RESOLUTION IS READY.

SHELBY BAIRD WANTED TO CLARIFY/CORRECT A STATEMENT THAT HE HAD MADE THAT THE TOWNSHIP HAD AUTHORITY TO CONTROL SOLAR FARMS WHEN IN FACT THEY ONLY HAD AUTHORITY REGARDING WIND FARMS. HE ALSO ASKED WHY THE ZONING COMMISSION HAS NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN THE DRAFTING OF THE PROPOSED ZONING RESOLUTION. THE COMMISSION WILL REVIEW THE DRAFT.

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KATE MARTIN ASKED IF THE CEDARVILLE (GREENE COUNTY) RESOLUTION COULD BE USED AS A MODEL SINCE IT HAS BEEN REVIEWED, REVISED AND ACCEPTED. THERE COULD BE MULTIPLE MEETINGS OVER A 10 DAY PERIOD DUE TO THE AMOUNT OF MATERIAL TO REVIEW.

MARY DURBIN WANTED TO KNOW IF THERE IS LANGUAGE THAT A TRUSTEE OR FAMILY MEMBER CANNOT BE INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT INCLUDED IN THE NEW RESOLUTION.

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY WILSON, 2ND BY REDDEN.