

Chairman Trustee Ristas opened the **September 20, 2021** meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Ristas (Chairman) present; J. Woodrum, present; Hozalski, present; Ciarrone, present.

OTHERS PRESENT: Bud Helms, Debbie Wiley, Pete Brubaker, Terry Thompson

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: Ms. Wiley is here to ask for a variance for her property that she would like to split so she can build a pole barn. There was some question as to where she would begin the process: at the Zoning Board of Appeals or at the county office. She will call the county office and get back to us if a meeting needs to be scheduled with the ZBA.

Mr. Thompson was here to ask if the Boy Scouts could continue to use our recycle building facility to hold meetings for the next year. The Trustees approved the use for Monday evenings once per week as the facility is available. He will let us know if they find another place to meet.

MINUTES: Trustee Woodrum moved to approve the **August 2, 2021** meeting minutes as submitted. Trustee Ristas seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion carried. Trustee Hozalski moved to approve the **September 7, 2021** meeting minutes and Trustee Ristas seconded the motion. Both voted yes. Motion carried.

ZONING INSPECTOR'S REPORT:

1. There was discussion about getting building permits in the township. The Trustees will hold a future discussion with the Zoning Inspector.

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3. Resident Dennis Brown sent an email inquiring about putting up and engine brake prohibited signs at the intersection of Stet Route 303 and State Route 511. Trustee Ristas moved with **Resolution 21-71** to allow engine brake prohibited signs on both State Route 511 and State Route 303 at the intersection and to pay for and supply said signs to ODOT and they will install the signs. Trustee Woodrum seconded the motion. All voted yes. The Resolution was adopted.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

1. The grant for radios that several townships were applying for did not get approved.

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2. The 2020 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) was approved for \$99,338.93 with the township portion being \$4,966.95. Trustee Ristas moved with **Resolution 21-72** to accept the award and approve payment of \$3500 to Gatchell Grant Resources LLC for preparing the grant. Trustee Hozalski seconded the motion. Both voted yes. The resolution passed.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

1. There were six dumpsters utilized for the recently completed township dumpster days.
2. The township is still taking applications for the open part-time road maintenance position.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT:

- CLCJAD Ambulance Report: None.
- LORCO Report: None.
- ODOT Random Drug Test: None.
- RLCWA Report: None

1. Trustee Hozalski mentioned about applying for the 2021 ODOT Township Stimulus Program to fix township roads and culverts. He will be investigating the grant requirements along with the fiscal officer.
2. Trustee Hozalski received a call from resident Robin Braun on Mosher Road about paying for a ditch enclosure recently completed by township personnel. The Fiscal Officer will create an invoice for the Brauns for \$400.
3. Resident Dale Bainbridge was questioning why there were new "Caution: Children at Play" signs erected on Gore Orphanage Road. The Trustees held a discussion and felt

the signs should remain up for safety reasons. The Fiscal Officer, in an email dated September 21, 2021, related this to Mr. Bainbridge, and he appreciated the update.

FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT:

#21-73

1. Trustee Ristas moved with **Resolution 21-73** to approve payment of \$58,223.76 to the Lorain County Engineer for the recently completed chip and seal work on township roads. Trustee Woodrum seconded the motion. All voted yes. Resolution was adopted.
2. The Fiscal Officer will contact Green Circle Growers Human Resources department and see if they have any employees who would like to work for the township on a part-time basis.
3. The Fiscal Officer reviewed the 2021 current fund status, revenues, receipts, and expenses in preparation for having to pay back Green Circle Growers from our tax revenue in 2022.
4. The Fiscal Officer attended the September LCTA meeting on September 16 at Lorain Community College.
5. New emails for the Trustees will be set up September 23 with our new website developer.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. None

PAY BILLS:

Trustee Ristas **moved to pay the bills** providing the fiscal officer says the funds are in place. Trustee Woodrum seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT: Trustee Ristas **moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 pm.** Trustee Hozalski seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

NEXT MEETING: **Board of Trustees Meeting: Tuesday, October 4, 2021 @ 7:30 p.m. at 42 Court Street, Kipton, Ohio.**

Fiscal Officer

Trustees