

Chairman Trustee Ristas opened the **July 6, 2020** meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30 p.m.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: A. Woodrum, D. Helms

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: Tracey Carroll (Baumhart Rd.) registered a complaint about neighbor (Luis Cruz) not maintaining his property with high grass and four unused vehicles. The Zoning Inspector will talk to Mr. Cruz. Trustee Ristas talked with county prosecutor T. Mangan and will ask Zoning Inspector Allomong to talk with Mangan. The Zoning Inspector will get back to Ms. Carroll. This led to discussion about the property on 303 (see #6 Trustee report).

MINUTES: Trustee Woodrum moved **to approve the June 15, 2020 minutes as written.** Trustee Hozalski seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ZONING INSPECTOR'S REPORT:

1. Not present, but available by conference call. He gave an assessment of the 303 property (see Trustee report #6 below)

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

1. Public records request from Lexus Nexus from the Fire Department for information about an incident report. Trustee JH asked about policy on nuisance property. The Zoning Inspector will draft a letter with T. Mangan to send a letter to owner.
2. Update on fire engine that the township purchased from First Attack: They are starting on the inside of the engine and it is due to be completed sometime in August.
3. The Fire Chief will attend a Lorain County Fire Chiefs meeting to discuss coverage at the fair.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

1. The Maintenance/Road Department is currently receiving quotes from Maintenance Systems and Precision for sealing cracks on Haigh and Gifford roads. B. Helms will check with other companies also.
2. The township is looking into getting an additional snow plow truck. Pricing was discussed for about \$140,000.
3. The Freightliner snow plow was evaluated by A and M truck repair for a possible bad valve.
4. The Road Department is putting stone on roads temporarily to help melting tar on roads.
5. Road and Maintenance has completed 240' of pipe on Baird Rd. for the drainage project.
6. The county engineer Chip and Seal project will start the second week of July.
7. The garage door is being repaired at the maintenance garage.

TRUSTEES REPORT:

1. Covid-19 Update: None
2. Ambulance Report: None
3. LORCO Report: None
4. RLCWA Report: None.
5. ODOT Random Drug Test report: No report
6. T. Mangan will work with our Fire Chief on determining if the Underwood property on Rt. 303 property is habitable, then report back to Trustees. We may possibly get the Lorain County Land Bank involved. That property is for sale.
7. Trustee Hozalski discussed indigent burial and whether the township is obligated to pay costs if a family doesn't want to pay for a burial. There may be grant money available through the state.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

1. The auditors are moving along and should be wrapping the audit up.
2. No interest again from our primary bank and a service charge of \$53.07 was assessed due to the negative economic effects of Covid-19 pandemic.
3. We received our EPA permit for the 303 facility.
4. The Fiscal officer listened in to the CARES ACT call in on June 16th.

5. The 2021 tax budget was presented along with information from County Prosecutor Gerald Innes that the County Budget Commission is allowing the township to waive the public hearing (see letter dated 5/1/20) prior to submitting the budget to the Commission for approval. The Fiscal Officer spoke with Mr. Innes on July 2, 2020. (see attachment)

#20-72

6. Trustee Woodrum moved with **Resolution #20-72** to accept the waiving of the public hearing for adopting the 2021 tax budget. Trustee Ristas seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion passed.

#20-73

7. Trustee Woodrum moved with **Resolution #20-73** to adopt the 2021 tax budget as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Trustee Ristas seconded the motion. All voted yes. Resolution carried. (see attachment)

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Additional information was submitted to Huntington Bank in order to increase our line of credit on township credit cards to \$2500.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. There was discussion whether to allow the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) to utilize our facilities for volunteer training for helping families with mental illness issues.

#20-74

Trustee Woodrum motioned with **Resolution #20-74** to allow the use of our facilities for such training. Trustee Hozalski seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion passed.

PAY BILLS: Trustee Ristas moved to pay bills providing the Fiscal Officer says the funds are in place. Trustee Woodrum seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT: Trustee Hozalski moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 pm. Trustee Woodrum seconded the motion. All voted yes. Motion passed.

NEXT MEETING:

Board of Trustees Meeting: Monday, July 20, 2020 @ 7:30p.m., 42 Court Street, Kipton

Fiscal Officer

Trustees