HOCKING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

Held: October 25, 2022, 7:00 PM

Location: 1175 Cincinnati Zanesville Road SW, Lancaster, Ohio 43130.

Chairperson Gail Ellinger called the meeting to order with the Pledge to the flag. The following members and visitors were present:

Mrs. Gail Ellinger Present

Mr. Charles Ressley Present

Mr. Steve Wolfe Present

VISITORS:

See Sign in Sheet with a total of 10 visitors present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Steve Eversole updated the trustees on the status of the fire building addition.

REGIONAL PLANNING REPORT:

No meeting was held.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Rich Hogle reported there were six zoning permits for the month. One for a conditional use on Hamburg Road for White, a co-locate for SMJ International for Delmont Road, a pole barn for Sheridan Rentals on Pleasant Valley Road, two accessory buildings for Nick Beveridge on Hamburg Road, and one for new pole barn on Stonewall Cemetery for Hullinger.

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CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE FISCAL OFFICER:

Minutes from the September Meeting being read prior by the Board were approved as read, so moved by Trustee Wolfe and seconded by Trustee Ellinger. All were in favor with 2 ayes and no negative votes, motion passed. A resolution needs passed to approve a change order for the Meister Road Project. This change order resulted in a decrease of \$7,097.10. Trustee Wolfe motioned to approve the change order. Trustee Ellinger seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Wolfe – Yes. Motion approved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief Curtis Golden was absent from the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Scott Brown property issue have been turned over to the Fairfield County Prosecutor's office.
- 2. Northview Court issues has been turned over to the Fairfield County Prosecutor's office.
- 3. There is state funding available for the demolition of vacant buildings on properties within the township. The board of trustees submitted for three properties and have been awarded state funding.
- 4. Meister Road widening project is complete. There are only a few small details to be signed off on.

Trustees have found an excavator willing to do the road work on Stepath Mound. Trustee Wolfe motioned to accept the bid of \$37,500 to complete the work. The initial expense will be paid out of the township 2031 fund line and then reimbursed from the county allocation fund. Trustee Ellinger seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Wolfe – Yes. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

 A meeting with Laura Comek and Mayor, David Sheffler had been set for October 4, 2022 at 11:00am. This meeting was cancelled and will be rescheduled.

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- 2. Trustee Wolfe motioned to pay a contractor \$2,000 to complete ditch work on Snoke Road. Trustee Ellinger seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger Yes, Wolfe Yes. Motion approved.
- 3. The board of trustees submitted paperwork for the 2023 mitigation plan to have 8 tornado sirens replaced through grant funds.
- 4. Roadside invasive seminar is scheduled for November 17, 2022 from 8:00am 10:30am.
- 5. Trustee Ellinger asked for a motion to appoint Wesley Hurley as the new trustee for Hocking Township. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger Yes, Wolfe Yes. Motion approved. Fiscal Officer Ressley swore in Wes Hurley as the new appointed Trustee effective October 25, 2022. Trustee Wolfe motioned to have the Fiscal Officer contact both financial banks (Fairfield Federal and Kingston) and remove Doug Shaw and replace with the new appointed Trustee, Wesley Hurley. Trustee Ellinger seconded the motion. Motion approved. Roll call being called upon its adoption was: Wolfe Yes, Ellinger Yes. Motion carried

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Trustee Wolfe moved to pay the warrants for the month seconded by Trustee Wolfe. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Wolfe – Yes. Motion approved.

There being no further business to discuss Trustee Wolfe motioned to adjourn and Trustee Hurley seconded the motion.

Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger

Mr. Steve Wolfe

Mr. Charles Ressley

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All formal actions of the Board of Hocking Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code