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CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY: Tim: 7:30 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance lead Tim Pfile

Roll Call

Pfile: Chair, present, Bixler Vice chair:, present Trustee Diehl: absent, Bill McCluskey, Fiscal officer, present Jesse Baughman, fire chief, absent, Rhonda Lipply, zoning, absent; Shannon Paulus for Fire department. Guest: Ryan Lind- Terry Montz

I. MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA FOR 3/30/2023

Moved By: Bixler	Second: Pfile	
Mr. Pfile: Yes	Mr. Diehl: na	Bixler: Yes

II. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:

A. Trustee meeting 3/09/2023, held as need quorum.

Guests introduced. J. Discussed her understanding of an ownership issue for a house that is in foreclosure, next to her property. Her complaint related to trash blowing into her yard and a porto-potty that is in her ditch. She said she talked to the sheriff department who suggested she talk to township zoning. Tim asked who owns it, she said the bank, but not sure which bank. She shared a diagram with the trustees. Jeffrey asked if she had contacted the zoning inspector, she said no she did not know who they were, Jeffrey said Rhonda Lipply, Bill gave her the contact number. Jeffrey said she could than fill out a complaint form and the township could then move of seeing what could be done, and would keep the trustees notified. Shannon asked for the address. she said it is 3698, 3712 rt 14 road. She said it is the trash pick up she has to do that is the biggest problem.

Guest 2-3 Bob ---- Nate Allen, Mr. Burke, they discussed the properties they own and farm and are interested in farming some property the township owns. The location of the property discussed is behind the developed park, remaining park land. They discussed the five acres with Kevin. Tim and Jeffrey said this would need to be discussed with the County Prosecutor. Nate mentioned the Pfiles farmed this. They shared diagrams with the trustees showing access routes and easements from other landowners approving farming. Bill mentioned he remember seeing a lease for this land in the park records relating to Philes. He might be able to locate it again. Bill says there are some stipulations relating to it must be leased, have a time frame, must allow immediate use for the township if need arises, and how land is to be left after lease time frame. (He thinks). Jeffrey said he will discuss with the County Prosecutors. Bill mentioned he is not sure if use of public land for private profit is allowed. Jeffrey said he would agree the property would then be maintained and not get overgrown. Phone numbers exchanged.

III. Correspondences

Jeffrey shared a conversation he had Chris regarding a call from Gail Pavliga regarding potential State funds for new fire department building. He reported Jesse completed a presentations and Jeffrey added some information and Chris will hand it over to her. Bill asked for record who prepared report and Jeffrey said Jesse did but likely had help and Bob Howser (sp), architect also included information. Jeffrey said he could not find exact date of station, but part was pre-1940 ((old auto shop). Addition around 1951. Tim shared E-Check notice from Ohio Department of Transportation that will be shared for action with Jesse Baughman. Form discussed. Bill said when it's done he needs to enter the information into the website.

IV. Old BUSINESS

Bill mentioned need for resolution for speed study on Giddings. Bill said sent a request years ago, and they now have it completed. Trustees shared the reports and made resolution.

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Motion made by Tim for Resolution: 2023-009 to authorize the Portage County engineer to submit the Giddings road speed study to the Ohio Department of Transportation for approval. Seconded by Bixler.

Mr. Pfile: Yes Bixler: Yes Bill to submit to the County engineer.

Bill mentioned need to follow-up with motion regarding landscaping of town hall. Last meeting stated trustees would not approve until discussion with Jeffrey. Tim reviewed the diagram with Jeffrey and discussed the mulch area, landscaping materials/plants, and one year maintenance for free from a anonymous donor. Shannon discussed adding moving the flagpole from across the street to this area as well. Light was also discussed. Bill reminded the church had discussed a clock donation that lights as well. Benches also mentioned regarding donated items. Bill mentioned presently they were only needing to approve the landscape as other items were not part of this project. Tim mentioned he thinks it will be a lot of mulch to maintain. But might not be as much as diagram looks like. Jeffrey said yes you have to redo mulch every year. Tim said it does need something done with it. Mentioned they could look at gravel in the future. Jeffrey asked what color of mulch before agreeing. Jeffrey said he would prefer Black, or reddish.

Motion to approve the project, but with approval of mulch color, before project begins. Tim approved project seconded by Jeffrey.

Mr. Pfile: Yes Mr. Diehl: na Bixler: Yes

Bill mentioned another old business discussion regarding Porto-potty contract. He discussed the present provider is the lower bid, however, the pricing in the contract is less than what we are paying to them presently. He reported Kevin said he would follow-up with Jessica at United rentals.

Jeffrey mad motion to continue with United rentals for township Porto-pot contract, with stipulation of bid pricing to remain the same. Seconded by Tim. Mr. Pfile: Yes Mr. Diehl: na Bixler: Yes

V. Trustee Report:

Tim mentioned he attended the Annual Portage County Health District meeting. He mentioned they are looking for a new Health department Board Member. Bill mentioned Bob Howard resigned and Lucy Ribelin is the new board President. Bill mentioned they would need to have a special meeting to have a vote for the new board member.

Jeffery and Tim also mention to congratulate Terry Montz (resident and Park Committee member) for being chosen as grand Marshall of Ravenna Balloon A-Fair this year

VI. Department Reports.

1. Roads: Clean up dumpster day April 28th and 29 8-6 on 28th and 8-12 29th. Bill asked if there was a lunch break. Tim said there would be. Bill said there was never a request for dumpster rental purchase for this and he would need a motion.

Tim made call to Kevin for pricing. Tim made **Motion** to approve H and H and scrap from Broadway at 650 each for trash, at estimate of 7 with scrap dumpster free, so not to exceed \$5000.00.

Cleaning up trees, need springs replaced on garage door at garage and other door work, Tim mentioned need to replace doors in future. Tim asked Bill about a laptop for the road department. Bill said they have had one, but it was never set up. He discussed with Kevin and will help them when he has time as they do not know how to do this. Tim mentioned they are working on the Sign grant for roads, Bill mentioned he helped them navigate the

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website and info and mentioned they are to attend some video training. Tim also mentioned this. He mentioned the County will need to come out also, but all the signs are free. Bill discussed that he mentioned Kevin only thinks there will be 12 signs. Tim said he will need to follow up with Kevin as he is surprised that is all. Cutting trees and stump grinding.

2. Fire: Saturday 3/35 was very busy with storm calls for service issues tree, power, and surges. Several roads were closed Giddings and SR 183. 1 ems call. 46 calls over 2022 year to date. Video footage found on truck which took boy scouts trailer from fire department lot. Deerfield, Palmyra, Atwater, Charlestown and Marlboro along with PCSO at intersection rt 14 and Tallmadge to Welcome Scott Simmons home after last shift at Kent fire department. Fire department will be attending Easter Egg Hunt Saturday (was changed to Sunday due to weather).

3. Zoning: no report

4. Fiscal Officer: Shared financial reports with trustees.

Bill asked for approval to pay bill for floor striping and refinish as it is 200 over the initial \$800.00 approved for service.

Tim made motion to approve payment of \$1000.00 for floor refinishing., Jeffrey seconded.

Mr. Pfile: Yes Mr. Diehl: na Bixler: Yes

Portage county fire fighter association and fire chief association are billing township. As association is a not a government organization, it is rather a non-profit association. Bill asked trustees if they wish to pay the bill, it would be treated as a donation, not a bill, even though invoiced as such.

Motion: Trustees agree to donate (from 2281 fund) to the Portage County fire chiefs and fire fighter associations. Motion Jeffrey and second Tim,

Mr. Diehl: na Bixler: Yes Mr. Pfile: Yes

Bill asked if Jeffrey has time to review Marcs radio invoice from VASU with Fire Chief, he said he has not yet had a chance.

Motion: Bill asked for trustee approval to move appropriations from other: general fund to trash and garbage removal: general fund, to cover expense of Trash Day dumpsters.

Tim motioned, second Jeffrey. Pfile: Yes Mr. Diehl: na Bixler: Yes **Motion** to pay EFT' and warrants 42992-43013 Bixler:: Yes Moved By: Bixler Second: Pfile: Mr. Pfile: yes **VII. Motion** to adjourn at 8:30 pm. Moved By: Pfile Second: Bixler Mr. Diehl: Bixler: Yes Mr. Pfile: yes Jeffrey Bixler Vice Chairman

Tim Pfile, Chairman

Chris Diehl Trustee

William McCluskey, Fiscal Officer