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HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
45955 STATE ROUTE 162 WELLINGTON OHIO 44090

Minutes of December 19, 2022

The Huntington Township Trustees met in a regular scheduled meeting at 7:00 PM with the pledge of Allegiance. Attendees: Walter Rollin, Robert Holmes, Jed Lamb, Sheila Lanning, Matt Combs, Nora Klebow, Sandy Denes, Andy Kozik, Liz Kozik, William Kozik, Carl Strekely and Frances Rollin. **Motion** by Lamb with a second by Holmes to approve the minutes of December 5th as written. Roll call: three yeas. Minutes from the 12/16/2022 minutes will be reviewed for approval at the next meeting. Checks 10161-10171 and payments totaling \$7,163.81 were approved for payment. Lanning: need to set the end of the year financial meeting and the first of 2023. **Consensus** to set December 30th at 10:00 AM and January 3rd 2023 at 7:00 PM for end of year and first of 2023 meetings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

WATER BOARD- Lamb: meeting Wednesday

LORCO- Lamb: did not make the meeting and neither did Holmes.

AMBULANCE- Holmes: November total for Huntington was 7, year to date 154 and total for district year to date 1453. Reminder to send resolution of 2023 Board appointment to Ambulance.

FIRE- Rollin: Meeting is Wednesday. Rochester roadman Ben Grimm's home burned, taking donations for his family. Wednesday the Fire Chief is going to Commissioners meeting Wednesday to speak in support of getting new radio's for safety services in the County. Discussion on the advantage and cost of the new radios. Denes: Have they requested it from them. If you read the grants, the Commissioners are giving money to apartment buildings in Lorain that tax payers are rehabbing. Holmes: Lundy is on way out and hope to get support from Riddell to get that. Rollin: They have requested several times; the old radios did not work inside a burning building and between all responders. The new radio company CCI will pay for repeaters and so on. Lamb: not my expertise, the new radios are over \$6,000.00 a piece with a monthly subscription fee for each individual radio. Rollin: they want to get Ambulance, Fire, Police are all on same radio. Reminder to Fiscal Officer to send first of the year resolution to Fire District with appointed Trustee representative.

OPWC & SWAC- Lanning: still need the MOU for the SWAC ARPA grant for the Stewart Road Culvert. Combs: called and they are still sorting out the money and will send the Stewart Road culvert MOU. Lanning: are we sure we have been awarded the grant money Combs: yes Lamb: called Don Romancak and he said they are still trying to figure out how much ARPA money they have and how to spend it properly. He said our Stewart Road project is straightforward and he will send the MOU when the dollar amounts are worked out. Lanning: do we know what project we are applying for SWAC money by the end of January 2023 Combs: I am sending in more projects, don't need application again. Rollin: the next culvert to fix or replace is further out on Stewart Road. Discussion on possible 2023 SWAC grant project and need to contact Lorain County Engineer for estimate.

ZONING- Motion by Lamb with a second by Holmes to appoint Doloris O'Connor to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term of 1/1/2023-12/31/2027. Roll call: 3 yeas. **Motion** by Lamb with a second by Holmes to appoint Rita Rollin to the Zoning Commission Board for a term of 1/1/2023 – 1/31/2027. Roll call: 2 yeas and 1 abstain (Walter Rollin). Klebow: ZBA meeting held on 12/6/2022 approved the variance to Kenny Knapp pertaining to set back requirements from existing pond on Stewart Road property split. There is some ambiguous wording on the variance application that will be reviewed with Lorain County Prosecutor Office. The three enforcement actions were escalated to Lorain County Prosecutor office Tom Mangan. The one that did not initially reply has contacted Tom Mangan and we are working on it. The other two (Reveglia and Kozik) have replied. Fire District Assistant Chief Troy Pitts called today regarding visiting Ukrainian Youth Camp. Health department approved their sewage system improvements and dump station a few years ago. Next on the list is to send out shipping container violation letters this week. I have the K9 corner and the fire wood sales as new ones to add to conditional permits. Would like to set the ZBA annual conditional

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permits meeting in January. Secretary Lanning to poll ZBA members regarding best day in January for meeting.

CEMETERY- Lanning: lot 57 west burial of Doris Takacs. Rollin: 178 wreaths were put on the Cemetery representing 8 branches of the military. There were 40-50 people attending to lay the wreaths within a half hour. Lanning: beautiful write up in the paper of the Township and Wreaths Across America. Rollin: several pictures of the event were taken.

ROADS- Combs: All equipment is winterized and trucks are ready to plow.

EQUIPMENT- Combs: Roller apart with hydraulic broken. Lanning: gave the State of Ohio Administrative Services contract number to Combs for purchases including salt. Tablet put on equipment list.

EMPLOYEES- Lanning: Combs has 48 hours of vacation and 16 hours of Holiday left in 2022, apologies for not making it clear that the day after Thanksgiving is also a given Holiday. Need to know plans for remaining two weeks of 2022 so payout of vacation can be done by end of year if vacation not taken. Comp/Flex time is carried over and currently Combs has 10.5 hours. Combs: I will use the two Holidays and ask for the payout of 48 hours of vacation. Holmes: the vacation payout is two weeks. Lanning: the payout is up to two weeks if not used. Finkel would usually ask for his payout and plan his work calendar accordingly. Holmes: checking on raises in other Townships.

PREVIOUS BUSINESS:

Lanning: Trustees should be receiving a new STAR Authorization Code letter in the mail, transfer of \$100,000.00 to STAR was completed 12/15/2022. Denes: you should make sure to remove money from STAR takes 2 signatures. Lanning: still reviewing Columbia Gas for customer choice program alternatives. Discussion on gas choice programs and difference in dollar amounts between alternatives. Denes: probably best to let it roll because they are all about the same. **Consensus** to let the gas supplier roll. Holmes: Sending letter to Commissioners and maybe even the new Commissioner, asking for ARPA money for safety service building and including the heliport. I will do that this week. Rollin: I was told today to get the letter to the Commissioners via email so the Commissioners will have it Wednesday. There is still plenty of money and the squeaky wheel will get it. Lanning: we have submitted a letter request to the Commissioners at least three times previously. Lyn Ickes has even hand delivered a letter and works a few floors from the Commissioners. Maybe it would help to go to the meeting like the Fire Chief and Jed did for the Fair Board. Denes: email to the clerk who controls the agenda. Lamb: I can make a call to the County Administrator, he is the one to get the letter and bring it to the Commissioners. It is about a three-month process; the Fair Board did 4 months of work to get on the agenda. They picked the day to see us. If there is a work around than that should be tried. Holmes: This is the one we submitted in the past with hand drawing by me, I will email them and beg them. Ambulance District would not commit to an MOU with the Township right now for the safety services building. Rollin: maybe talk to Jim Miller too. Lanning: Jim Miller is with the Port Authority, I have his contact information. Lamb: They want us to finance through the Port Authority. I can make a call to JR tomorrow, the problem we have is matching funds. The problem with doing this building is that we don't have matching funds, if we had matching funds we would get all the money we want. All we have to do is come up with a reasonable project that is attainable like a safety vehicle. If we spend all our energy doing something we should make it a no brainer, something we can land. Instead of trying to keep this building afloat. Holmes: we do have about \$140,000.00 in matching funds and sent this plan. We were asking for \$500,000.00 and put our \$140,000.00 with it and come up with this building. Lamb: he was clear they are not doing that, they are doing matching funds. Holmes: but they are handing out money without matching funds. Denes: yes, you can read the awards. Holmes: to non-profit organizations. Lamb: maybe it is worth it to make another appeal. Rollin: they were put on hold until they got legal counsel opinion, they can now start doing it again and that came from

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Lyn today. Lamb: In that case I will make a phone call to JR tomorrow and you write the letter. Holmes: I will write and send the letter.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lanning: sent Trustees Insurance policy documents and changes effective 1.1.2023. Health care open enrollment documents from Lorain County Healthcare sent and notice that there will be no change in costs for the policies in 2023. Lamb: sent change form to take son off healthcare with no changes to charges. Cyber Ohio email, LORCO email that Board term expires 3/27/2023 and will need to send copy of 1/3/2023 minutes with Resolution of Board appointment. UAN end of year training attended and software updated to version 2023.1.

CORRESPONDENCE/ ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Lorain County Office on Aging Newsletter Volume 1, Issue 1.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

The Kozik family in attendance to talk about recent violation received from Lorain County Prosecutor for junk cleanup on property. Liz Kozik: the place we had our stuff closed and we had to bring the items here. We communicated that by Spring we would clean up the front of the yard and the remainder by end of summer. Klebow: you asked for the end of the year not summer for the remainder. William Kozik: the other guy around the corner is running a junk yard, not everyone is being treated the same. He was on the list 5 years ago in 2017. Lamb: he is on the list. Kozik: he was on the list last time, I complied and he did nothing. Combs: he is a certified by the state junk yard. Kozik: but he is zoned residential like everyone else. Klebow: I have not looked into it at length yet. Lamb: are you repairing these vehicles. William Kozik: not at my home, they are abandoned so I bring them home because I can't have them there. Lamb: Zoning is in place to protect property values of your neighbors along with yourself. It seems like you can not comply in the time given and the time you ask for is too long. Holmes: no sense in dragging them here and then dragging them elsewhere to repair them. You can scrap them out or just junk them. Denny Finkel was more lenient because he lived here his entire life. People took advantage of him. Show us improvement and maybe we can work with you. Lamb: we will re-assess at the end of January. Klebow: will contact the Lorain County Prosecutor and tell them we are reviewing. Liz Kozik: where is the ordinance on this violation. Klebow: The Zoning Resolution can be found on line. Lamb: Country view junk yard can take them, thank you for coming here to discuss this.

Motion by Lamb with a second by Holmes to adjourn. All favorable, meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Signed Chairman

Attest, Fiscal Officer

Payment Listing

UAN v2023.1

December 2022

Payment Advice #	Post Date	Transaction Date	Type	Vendor / Payee	Amount	Status
135-2022	12/17/2022	12/16/2022	CH	COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO	\$285.67	O
136-2022	12/24/2022	12/18/2022	CH	LORAIN MEDINA RURAL ELECTRIC	\$570.68	O
137-2022	12/19/2022	12/18/2022	CH	CHASE CARD SERVICES	\$1,317.12	O
139-2022	12/23/2022	12/18/2022	EW	UNITED STATES TREASURY	\$227.66	O
10161	12/19/2022	12/14/2022	PR	Paul J Dria	\$92.35	O
10162	12/19/2022	12/14/2022	PR	Lyn L Ickes	\$115.44	O
10163	12/19/2022	12/14/2022	PR	Doloris L O'Connor	\$46.17	O
10164	12/19/2022	12/18/2022	AW	Holmes Tire LLC	\$883.60	O
10165	12/19/2022	12/18/2022	AW	CHRONICLE TELEGRAM	\$50.35	O
10166	12/19/2022	12/18/2022	AW	ARMSTRONG	\$179.90	O
10167	12/19/2022	12/18/2022	AW	FARM & HOME HARDWARE	\$95.46	O
10168	12/19/2022	12/18/2022	AW	JUDCO INC	\$230.00	O
10169	12/19/2022	12/18/2022	AW	Four O'Corporation	\$725.60	O
10170	12/19/2022	12/18/2022	PR	Robert Leroy Bort	\$808.76	O
10171	12/19/2022	12/18/2022	PR	MATTHEW A COMBS	\$1,535.05	O
Total Payments:					\$7,163.81	
Total Conversion Vouchers:					\$0.00	
Total Less Conversion Vouchers:					\$7,163.81	

Type: AM - Accounting Manual Warrant, AW - Accounting Warrant, IM - Investment Manual Warrant, IW - Investment Warrant, PM - Payroll Manual Warrant, PR - Payroll Warrant, RW - Reduction of Receipt Warrant, SW - Skipped Warrant, WH - Withholding Warrant, WM - Withholding Manual, WS - Special Warrant, CH - Electronic Payment Advice, IL - Investment Loss, EP - Payroll EFT Voucher, CV - Payroll Conversion Voucher, SV - Payroll Special Voucher, EW - Withholding Voucher, POS ADJ - Positive Adjustment, NEG ADJ - Negative Adjustment, POS REAL - Positive Reallocation, NEG REAL - Negative Reallocation

Status: O - Outstanding, C - Cleared, V - Voided, B - Batch

* Asterisked amounts are not included in report totals. These transactions occurred outside the reported date range but are listed for reference.