

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

HOCKING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

Held: February 23, 2021 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 Ressler Present

Mr. Doug Shaw Present

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VISITORS:

See Sign in Sheet with a total of 7 visitors present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Rocky from Hamburg Road asked if there were any update on the vacant house issues. Trustee Ellinger stated Deputy Humble has made visits to these homes and trailer. There has been no additional information at this time. Doris asked if there were any new information about the roundabouts on US Route 22. The trustees stated there has not been any new discussion. Doris also advised that there are several vehicles sitting on the old township property off US Route 22. Zoning Inspector Hogle will check on that property and issues.

REGIONAL PLANNING REPORT:

There was no meeting for February.

ZONING:

Rich Hogle stated there were no permits, but several calls. Will be meeting with Eversole Builders for a permit on Westfall Road tomorrow. Trustee Ellinger motioned to appoint Wesley Hurley as an alternate zoning board member. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Shaw– Yes, Wolfe- Yes. Motion approved.

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CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE FISCAL OFFICER:

Minutes from the January Special Meeting being read prior by the Board were approved as read, so moved by Trustee Shaw and seconded by Trustee Wolfe. All were in favor with 3 ayes and no negative votes, motion passed. Hocking Township will have their audit on February 24th.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Department reported monthly runs so far have been 16 fire and 35 EMS for a total of 51 runs YTD. Mutual aid was provided to Amanda, Berne, Clearcreek, and Lancaster. A total of 2 run to SCI. Engine is going to Finley tomorrow to have old items removed and placed on new engine. We have two new volunteers and a part time hired.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The county engineer's office will keep Hocking Township informed as to the progress of the OPWC on Meister Road. Paperwork has been submitted.
2. Hocking Township will continue to monitor Stonewall Cemetery Road and Stepath Mound Lane for erosion.
3. Marathon Mini Mart has a "soft opening" until health department gives final approvals.
4. Due to the Army Corp of Engineers being short staffed, the trustees are asking Fairfield County to do a water study for the size of the culvert needed to cut down the erosion from Muddy Prairie Run Creek on Pleasant Valley Road. Trustee Ellinger spoke to Eric McCrady and they will get the recommended size.
5. Eric McCrady determined that there is no need for a guardrail at the property of 1925 Becks Knob Road.
6. Deputy Hummel and the Health Department will be checking on the property complaints on Hamburg Road. They will advise of the next steps.
7. James Mako has not heard of anything on the property at State Route 188 and Delmont Road. There are still rumors that there is fuel station going in at the property. Hocking Township has not been notified of anything.

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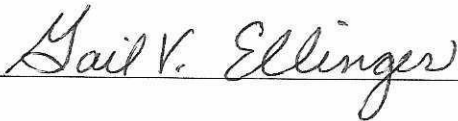
8. Hocking Township has a guardrail request for Mt. Zion in between Crumley Road and State Route 188. The county engineer's office did not recommend guardrail.
9. We will have a zoning meeting in March before the trustee meeting at 6:00PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

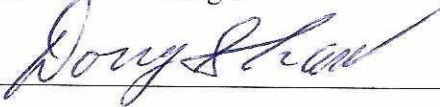
1. Trustee Ellinger motioned to schedule an employee evaluation meeting on March 3, 2021 at 7:00am. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion. All were in favor with 3 ayes and no negative votes, motion passed.
2. Hocking Township maintenance staff are clearing back brush and trimming limbs within the Hocking Township's right of way. Trustee Ellinger mentioned to be mindful when driving the roads for the safety of the staff and the driver.

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

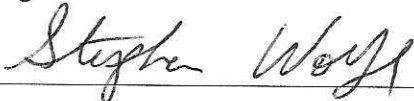
There being no further business to discuss Trustee Shaw motioned to adjourn and Trustee Ellinger seconded the motion.



Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger



Mr. Doug Shaw



Mr. Steve Wolfe

Mr. Charles Ressler

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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