HOCKING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

Held: May 23, 2023, 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 Mr. Wes Hurley – Present

VISITORS:

See Sign in Sheet with a total of 14 visitors present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Sgt. Williams of the Fairfield County Sheriffs office stated their schedule went to 12 hours shifts from 0600-1800 hours. It was reported that the garage on Becks Knob Road looks like bad again. Zoning Inspector Rich Hogle will follow up. There is tall grass on the hill making it hard to see at the intersection of Hamburg Road and Hopewell Church Road as well as Stoney Hill Road and Hopewell Church Road. Trustee Ellinger stated she would contact the county engineer's office. A question also came up about the property that Mark Powers bought and what its intended use was going to be for. The trustees did not have any information as to the intended use.

REGIONAL PLANNING REPORT:

No Hocking Township issues addressed.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Rich Hogle reported 3 permits written for the month. One for Jay Teal for a new building on 4077 Chillicothe Road, a conditional use permit for Platinum Storage for a campground, and a pole barn for Kenneth Sargent on 5345Westfall Road. The gentlemen on

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Hamburg Road is still removing the junk vehicles from the property. Brown property is slowly being cleaned up.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE FISCAL OFFICER:

Minutes from the April Meeting being read prior by the Board were approved as read, so moved by Trustee Hurley and seconded by Trustee Ellinger. All were in favor with 2 ayes and no negative votes, motion passed. Hockings budget meeting will be scheduled for June 7, 2023 at 7:00am.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Lt. Parlier reported monthly runs so far have been 17 fire and 27 EMS for a total of 370 runs YTD. Mutual aid was provided to Amanda, Berne, Pleasant, and Lancaster. Just a reminder on the non-burn months are in effect between 6:00am and 6:00pm. No burning is permitted. Received information on the road closure of Delmont Road on the north side of US22.

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. This is not funding from the township to be used. The board of trustees submitted for three properties and have been awarded state funding for two. The other property will go through the land bank. Michale Kaper will be coordinating this venture. He did make contact and said they were behind schedule, but should be next in line.
- 4. Discussion about the mulch at the Hamburg playground and its safety. Trustees looking into a grant for a new material to be used that could be ADΛ assessible, less maintenance, and cheaper in the long run. There are two estimates received. Trustee Wes Hurley motioned to apply for the grant application for the playground mulch. Trustee Wolfe

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seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Hurley – Yes, Wolfe - Yes. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Trustee Wolfe motioned to bid out the 2023 Hocking Township Road Paving. Trustee
 Hurley seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger Yes, Hurley Yes, Wolfe Yes.
 Motion approved.
- 2. The trustees scheduled a joint zoning board meeting for June 27, 2023 at 6:00pm.
- 3. Trustees arranged to have the playground equipment power washed.
- 4. Trustee Hurley motioned to adopt the OTA Template for the Solar Fields. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger Yes, Hurley Yes, Wolfe Yes. Motion approved.

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

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

Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger

Mr. Wesley Hurley

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