

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

HOCKING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

Held: April 25, 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 Ressler Present

Mr. Steve Wolfe – Absent

Mr. Wes Hurley – Present

VISITORS:

See Sign in Sheet with a total of 12 visitors present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No public participation.

REGIONAL PLANNING REPORT:

No Hocking Township issues addressed.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Rich Hogle reported several calls about permits and 4 permits written for the month. One for Mark Hockman for a deck roof on Country Club Road, an accessory building for Jared McGill on Shaw Road, an accessory building for Tom Bigham on Royalton Road, and a new build for Jay Real on Chillicothe Lancaster Road. The gentlemen on Hamburg Road is still removing the junk vehicles from the property. Received a call about Platinum Storage setting up an overnight /campground on their property. Mr. Hogle advised to cease until an application was submitted to the zoning appeals board.

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CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE FISCAL OFFICER:

Minutes from the March 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. Audit went good with no findings. Should have the final report in a week.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Assistant Fire Chief Steve Kilbarger reported monthly runs so far have been 34 fire and 46 EMS for a total of 313 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. An ice maker is requested to be purchased. Trustee Hurley motioned to approve the purchase of an ice machine from Lowes. Trustee Ellinger seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Hurley – Yes. Motion approved.

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.

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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 ADA assessible, less maintenance, and cheaper in the long run. There are two estimates received.
5. ODOT road salt order for 100 tons was submitted.

NEW BUSINESS:


1. The OTA county meeting will be held Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 7:00pm.
2. The trustees scheduled a joint zoning board reorganization meeting for May 23, 2023 at 5:30pm.
3. Trustee Hurley motioned to approve up to \$500 for the Fairfield County Health Department to spray for mosquitoes along roadways. Trustee Ellinger seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Hurley – Yes. Motion approved.

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

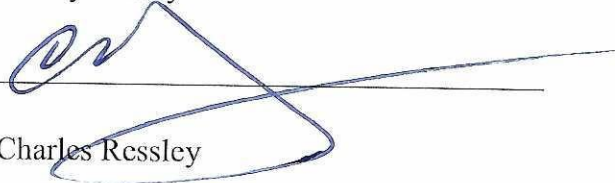
There being no further business to discuss Trustee Ellinger motioned to adjourn and Trustee Hurley seconded the motion.



Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger



Mr. Wesley Hurley



Mr. Charles Ressler

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