***Pleasant Township Board of Trustees Meeting Highlights***

**Date \_\_September 27, 2022 Next Resolution No.\_\_ 53-----09-27-2022\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* **Call to Order -- The meeting has technical difficulties with WebEx.**
* **Please stand for moment of silence. --Pledge of Allegiance-----Roll Call**
* **Minutes to approve**- none
* **Financial Reports** – Motion to pay expenditures.
* **Visitors –**
* Hanna Poling with the Southwest Messenger via WebEx.
* Michele Reynolds for State Senate, came to introduce herself.
* ***Department Reports***
* **Franklin County Sheriff’s Report- Deputy Hamilton**
  + Total calls for service for 8-13--22 to 9-27-22 were \_171\_\_
  + Total reports – 15
  + Arrest – 2
  + Tickets-8
  + Burglary-1
  + Thefts – 2
  + Accidents – 13
  + Suspicious Activity – 14
  + Alarm Drops – 8
  + Traffic Stops – 36 (8 ATV’s)
  + Disabled vehicles – 4

Notes—The burglary was moved to a criminal damaging due to not making entry into the house and on-going investigation and a suspect. Thefts, 1 was unfounded, and the other was from the Dollar General.

* **Road Department- Superintendent, Robert Bausch**
* Clean up was lighter turnout than usual, hopefully that means the township is getting well cleaned up.
* Truck 22 at ELW-steering issues
* Kirkwood dr. catch basin- borrowed a steel plate from the County until the materials come in to get repairs made.
* Steel plates to have on hand for emergencies and not have to find one to borrow.
* Gravel bins at Oak Grove cemetery going to repurpose the old street sign post from Timberlake to make the bins.
* 2 burials
* **Fire Dept. –** **Chief Whiting**
* Received one quote for painting the bay doors around $4,000.
* Working on school programs for Fire Prevention Week
* Checking turnout gear
* Dishwasher issues, trying to do repairs inhouse but may have to replace it.
* The tornado siren has been relocated to the back of the property at Pleasant View.
* **Old Business-**
* Bill Dawson will be submitting the application for the 2020 Urban Gardening Grant this week. If awarded, this grant will be used in Ebenezer Cemetery.

Bill talked to his friend Brian Heath with Davey Tree. He will come out and look at the tree with Bill next Thursday and send us a quote for removal (except trunk).

* Paula received an email from BWC in reference to case: 20-141318 & 19-219753-

The BWC orders mailed 9/22/2022 grant full and final settlement in the amount of $3,350.

The BWC will pay the settlement amount to the injured worker or their legal representative 30 days after the date of this approval. Once BWC has released the settlement payment, the claim will be permanently closed.

* Springwater Solar Farm - Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) has issued the staff report for the Springwater Solar project, one of the major steps in the review process. The report contains the OPSB technical staff’s review of the application to construct a utility-scale solar facility.

Following a review of the application, Staff recommends the proposal to construct the 155-megawatt solar facility be approved. In the event the Board determines that a certificate should be granted, Staff has proposed conditions for the Board’s consideration. You can read the list of 47 conditions on pages 46-54 of the staff report. A copy of the report is available in the case record on their website.The Board will make its decision in the coming months after the hearings are complete and the case briefs are filed. The Board is not bound by the Staff Report; it could approve, deny, or approve the project with conditions.

 Looking ahead-

1. Public hearing: The **public hearing will be held on Oct. 11** at 6:00 p.m. at the London City Hall, 20 S. Walnut Street, in London. The purpose of the local hearing is to allow the public to give sworn testimony about the proposed facility. The public hearing is a formal hearing, not an informal meeting, to collect the views of the public about the project. Questions are not taken. Witnesses register when they arrive and testify in the order in which they register. Testimony is limited to five minutes, and the hearing transcript will become part of the case record considered by the OPSB. We never know how many people will attend or be interested in testifying. The local public hearing can last several hours since we stay until the last person has an opportunity to speak.
2. Evidentiary hearing: The **evidentiary hearing is scheduled for Nov. 2** in Columbus at 10:00 a.m. at the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 E. Broad Street.
3. Board meeting: A date has not been set yet for a Board vote on the project but expect it to be held several months after the evidentiary hearing.

You can follow the progress of the Springwater Solar project, case #21-0094-EL-BGN, on the OPSB website at <https://dis.puc.state.oh.us/CaseRecord.aspx?CaseNo=22-0094-EL-BGN>.

* Ongoing problems with trash/recycling collections on Lukens Rd. along with several other complaints at other addresses I receive every week. I notified James Weaver.
* **New Business –** 
  + The Franklin County Board of Commissioners are extending an invitation to township elected officials to attend a public townhall meeting on Monday, October 3rd, at the Hamilton Township government building at 6400 Lockbourne Rd from 5:30 pm to 7:30pm. The meeting is to discuss the new body cameras that the Franklin County Sheriff’s Deputies will be wearing. The County Commissioners, Prosecutor, and Sheriff will be on hand to show off the new cameras, discuss the policy that will govern their use, and answer any questions that elected officials or members of the public may have.
  + Trick or Treat night in Pleasant Township will be Monday, October 31st, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
* **Clerk Updates- Paula**
* Misc. emails and correspondence
* **Executive Session requested by Chief Whiting**
  + “I move to go into Executive Session according to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) ( 1) for discussion about manpower\_\_. Do I have a second?” ROLL CALL VOTE
  + ***Reconvene***

Under the Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G), I move to come out of Executive Session, do I have a second? ROLL CALL VOTE

* Resolution 53 to open two fulltime firefighter positions authorizing Chief Whiting to advertise to fill them.
* **Adjourn**- 8:30 pm