**Minutes of Public Hearing and Trustee Meeting**

**May 17, 2021**

Attendees: Trustees: Chairman Steven Lust, David Schrote, Wayne Creasap

Fiscal Officer: Lavon Verity

Fire Chief: Clint Canterbury

Zoning Inspector: Tom Baker

Guests: John Robinson , Sheriff Bayles and Kathleen Brandt

Meeting convened at 6:00 pm by Chairman Lust.

**Trustee Schrote made a motion to approve the previous minutes, from 04.19.2021 seconded by Trustee Creasap. All in favor 3 -0.**

**Trustee Creasap made a motion to accept the warrants prepared by Fiscal Officer Verity,**

**Seconded by Trustee Schrote. All in favor, motion carried 3-0.**

John Robinson representative for the Senior Center was asking when the Senior Center could open back up to the community. After some discussion the Trustees agreed to open the Center back up June 1. F.O. Verity will get contract drafted.

Sherriff Bayles was present to inquire if there were any issues in the township that he could help with and mentioned the issue of non-working tornado sirens. Chief Canterbury informed Sheriff Bayles that the issue with the Fire Dept siren is that the electric is not up to date. Some of the sirens need new batteries and Chief Canterbury will check into possible moving a siren or sirens to help make them more useful in a better location. The Sherriff was also informed about neighbors complaining about heavy truck traffic and speeding trucks on Newman’s Cardington Rd towards the Downerd property. Sherriff Bayles will check the area during the week to help monitor the complaint.

Kathleen Brandt was inquiring about an escrow account that the Township was holding upon the completion of a fire cleanup on 4260 Smeltzer Rd. Trustee Creasap informed her that the property needed to have the motor home gone as well, there were neighbor complaints and was “an eyesore”. the motorhome had been unlicensed for more than 6 years. Sherriff Bayles went outside to talk to her after she became upset regarding the situation. Sherriff Bayles returned later and informed the trustees that she would be moving the motor home.

Sherriff Bayles also informed the Trustees that a round about will be going in around 98.

**Fiscal Officer:**

* **Discussed 2022 budget and the need for anything unforeseen.**
* **There was an issue with the road bids. The road bid package said deadline June 21 however the newspaper notice was June 24.th at 6 pm. A special meeting will be held on June 24 for the opening of the road bids.**

**Zoning:**

* Report attached.
* Almost 1 million in new construction permits.
* Marion Cardington Road E resident put in a pond, however the dirt was piled on the neighbor’s property. The Property owners were informed that it was a civil matter not a Pleasant Township zoning matter

**Trustee Creasap made a motion to send Skaggs, Sellers, James and Hall to the prosecutor’s office to move forward with legal proceedings. Trustee Schrote seconded. Roll call: Lust-yes Schrote -yes Creasap-yes**

**Motion carried 3-0.**

**Trustee Creasap made a motion to mow attached 12 properties after their waiting period is met. Trustee Schrote seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lust-yes Schrote -yes Creasap-yes. Motion carried 3-0. (Attachment)**

**Fire Department:**

* Up 90 calls form last year, issue the dialysis center calls for pickup and drop off. It is a liability issue. Medcare has stopped transports to and from the dialysis center. The dialysis center feels the Fire Dept should be the one to take care of these patients.
* Betty Jo Lill contacted Chief regarding the fireworks in the township and how it affects her animals and she wants the Fire Dept to take care of this issue and law enforcement involved.
* The poly com system is ready to be installed.
* T. Ferguson did a great job on the scene with the Cow on the road on Owens rd.
* Couts received an itemized bill form EMS. Chief Canterbury explained that it was an EOB (Explanation of Benefits) not a bill and no need to pay if you live in the township.
* Cost to replace the floor in the firehouse will be approx. $35,000 to tear out and replace.
* Tornado sirens were discussed further… When the building had a remodel, the electric should have been upgraded. But the expense was over $100,000. The current option is to pull the solar siren from route 4 and install closer to the school.

**Roads:**

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**Park:**

* Porta Service resumed May 1.
* 2 new flags are needed at the park.
* Township Clean up date being June 12, 8 am- 1pm. Dumpsters are lined up and the Lions club members will be helping along with the Boy Scouts.
* May 25 the Middle school will be cleaning up and weeding the park and laying mulch down.
* New martin house is up .

**New Business:**

* The Trustees are to attend a Zoning commission meeting per the request of the chairman.
* There will be a Farm Bureau meeting June 15.

With no further business to bring before the board, Trustee Schrote made a motion to adjourn; second by Trustee Creasap. All in favor 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Next meeting will take place on June 21, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. at the trustee’s office.

Minutes recorded by and prepared by Fiscal Officer Lavon Verity on May 17, 2021.

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Chairman, Steven Lust

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Fiscal Officer, Lavon Verity