

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

HOCKING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

Held: January 26, 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 14 visitors present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Fairfield County Sheriff Deputy Chief Collins introduced himself and advised what he oversaw in position. He introduced Deputy Greathouse as he will be overseeing this district. There is still one deputy that patrols for four townships.

REGIONAL PLANNING REPORT:

No Hocking Township issues and there will be no meeting for February.

ZONING:

Rich Hogle was absent. Trustee Ellinger motioned to appoint Tom Messerly to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Shaw– Yes, Wolfe- Yes. Motion approved. Trustee Ellinger stated there was only one permit for the month of January.

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CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE FISCAL OFFICER:

Minutes from the December Meeting and 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. The FY20 financial report has been completed and will be posted in the local newspaper. An audit is scheduled for February 15, 2021. We obtained some rates and financing information from a few banks. Kingston National Bank came in at the lowest for a \$167,000 loan for a new EMS unit at 2.5% for 10 years. This new unit would replace the older EMS unit we are using. Trustee Ellinger motioned to move forward with obtaining an amortization from Kingston bank and gaining the approval from the Fairfield County Auditor's office to proceed. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Shaw– Yes, Wolfe- Yes. Motion approved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Department reported monthly runs so far have been 13 fire and 58 EMS for a total of 71 runs YTD. Hocking Township finished CY20 with a total of 860 runs. Mutual aid was provided to Amanda, Berne, Clearcreek, Pleasant, and Lancaster. A total of 4 run to SCI. We should be receiving any day now the first round of the MARCS grants for a total of \$3,480 to cover the user fees for the radios. A total of \$3,935.21 was paid out for EMS grant funds.

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 not opened yet.
4. The staff member we Trustee Ellinger was working with through The Army Corp of Engineers with is on extended leave and is not sure who will be taking over their projects. Trustee Ellinger motioned to contact the county engineer's office to find out about the

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culvert size for this project. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Shaw– Yes, Wolfe- Yes. Motion approved.

5. Eric McCrady determined that there is no need for a guardrail at the property of 1925 Becks Knob Road and will get back with Hocking Township.
6. Deputy Hummel and the Health Department will be checking on the property complaints on Hamburg Road. They will advise of the next steps. Chief Deputy Collins did speak up and stated we should be seeing some movement on these issues very soon.
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.
8. Hocking Township has a guardrail request for Mt. Zion in between Crumley Road and State Route 188. The county engineer's office will be contacting us.
9. Hocking Township is still waiting to hear back from the county engineer's office on the Westfall and Duncan Road intersection for stop sign placement.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The OTA annual virtual conference is set for February 1, 2021 – February 5, 2021.
2. Trustee Ellinger motioned to schedule a zoning meeting for March 23, 2020 at 6:00pm. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion. All were in favor with 3 ayes and no negative votes, motion passed. This meeting will be before the regularly scheduled township meeting.
3. 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.

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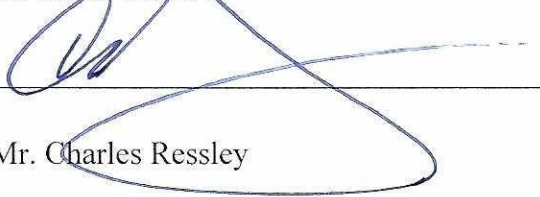
Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger



Mr. Doug Shaw



Mr. Steve Wolfe



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