

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

HOCKING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

Held: April 23, 2024, 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 – Present

Mr. Wes Hurley – Present

VISITORS:

See Sign in Sheet with a total of 10 visitors present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Josh Walter spoke about his CSC Cleaning Supplies and the company.

Doris stated she submitted her zoning application. Troy asked about the culvert that was replaced on Stonewall Cemetery Road needs more asphalt due to it sinking. Trustee Ellinger stated she would address this issue.

REGIONAL PLANNING REPORT:

No meeting.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Rich Hogle reported there have been some calls, but no permits for the month.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE FISCAL OFFICER:

Minutes from the March Meeting being read prior by the Board were approved as read, so moved by Trustee Wolfe and seconded by Trustee Hurley. All were in favor with 3 ayes and no negative votes, motion passed. Fiscal Officer Ressler was sworn in by Trustee Ellinger for his

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new term. OTARMA Risk management sent their recommendation in for the last visit. We have 60 days to correct the 4 issues they found.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief Golden reported monthly runs so far have been 44 fire and 38 EMS for a total of 345 runs YTD. Mutual aid was provided to Amanda, Berne, Clearcreek, and Greenfield. March – May is the burn ban from 6:00am – 6:00pm. Open fulltime position has been filled and hired one part time position. Some promotions were addressed and now have two captains, three lieutenants, and five coordinators that all have assigned duties within in the department.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Scott Brown's property is making progress ~~is making progress~~.
2. Windy Hills Road property nuisance issue is now back under the control of Roger Ruble. He will be backfilling the holes and addressing the property.
3. Shelly will come back in the spring to place the AC bands on the driveways on Meister Road. Pictures and addresses were taken.
4. Solar resolution passed out to the zoning inspector and trustees to review. This would be a resolution passed by us in support of prohibiting the construction of economically significant wind farms, large solar facilities, and large wind farms in Hocking Township. Trustee Wolfe motioned to accept the resolution and Trustee Hurley seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Hurley – Yes, Wolfe -Yes. Motion approved.
5. Hocking Township has received all of the salt for the 23/24 year. We need to decide on how much for 24/25. Trustee Wolfe motioned to accept 100 tons of road salt for next year. Trustee Hurley seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Hurley – Yes, Wolfe -Yes. Motion approved.
6. Trustee Hurley has found a vendor that will digitalize the township cemetery records.
7. There were discussions about the fire levy. The trustees will have a work session at the next meeting at 6:00pm to work on levy information and how it will be addressed.

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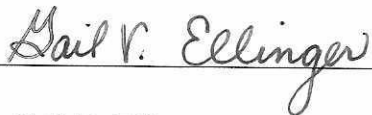
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NEW BUSINESS:

1. KDM Excavating submitted quotes for Duncan Road culvert replacement, Westfall Road culvert repair, and Stepath Mound Lane front portion of ditches and road work. Trustee Wolfe motioned to accept the \$27,500 quote. Trustee Hurley seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Hurley – Yes, Wolfe -Yes. Motion approved.
2. The 2024 paving will be published and all sealed bids to be opened at the May 2024 regular board meeting at 7:00pm. Trustee Hurley motioned to publish this 2024 project. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Hurley – Yes, Wolfe - Yes. Motion approved.
3. Trustee Ellinger and Zoning Inspector Hogle attended the Fairfield County Model Zoning Code meeting at 5:30pm.
4. Trustee Wolfe motioned to place a vehicle registration permissive tax for Hocking Township. Trustee Hurley seconded the motion. Roll call vote Ellinger – Yes, Hurley – Yes, Wolfe -Yes. Motion approved. This tax will cost each vehicle registration an additional \$5.00 and the revenue will go towards maintain the township roads.

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



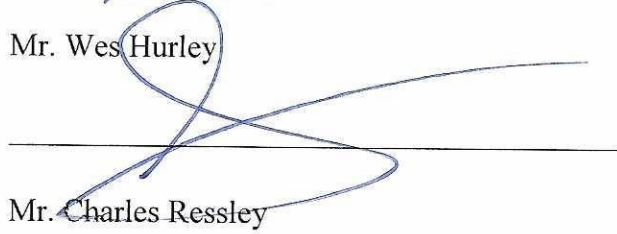
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Mr. Wes Hurley



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