HOCKING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

Held: April 27, 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 Ressley Present

Mr. Doug Shaw Present

Mr. Steve Wolfe Present

VISITORS:

See Sign in Sheet with a total of 20 visitors present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Deputy Comer spoke and advised he is the second shift fulltime deputy for Hocking Township along with Amanda, Madison, and Clearcreek. He is focused on the drug activity from the house on Northview Court and that it is his top priority.

Rocky Johnson asked if there were any updates on the properties on Northview Court. The trustees stated that there has been nothing new given to them. The trustees asked that they speak with Deputy Combs about the issue. Deputy Combs addressed the issue. The board of trustees asked that any questions about that particular issue to please step outside so the meeting can continue. Steve Mays of Hamburg Road states he is working on removing the 100 plus vehicles from his property and that he will need more time to do so. The trustees stated they support the zoning inspector's opinion on the matter. It was decided that Steve Mays will attempt to move 8 vehicles a month from the property.

Doris also advised that there are several vehicles sitting on the old township property off US Route 22. Zoning Inspector Hogle will be following up on that property and issues.

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REGIONAL PLANNING REPORT:

No issues.

ZONING:

Rich Hogle stated he addressed the issue that was on Hopewell Church Road about trash around the property. Rich is working on Steve Mays issue with the 100 plus vehicles at his property. He had 3 calls about building permits. There was a call about a medical facility being built at route 22 and the 33-bypass location. A total of 4 permits for the month. One for a new build on Royalton Road, one new build on Becks Knob Road, one new build on Hamburg Road, and one for a new build on route 22.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE FISCAL OFFICER:

Minutes from the March Meeting being read prior by the Board were approved as read, so moved by Trustee Ellinger and seconded by Trustee Wolfe. All were in favor with 3 ayes and no negative votes, motion passed. Fiscal Officer Ressley met with OTARMA insurance today. Will be meeting with OTARMA IT support in May. Park tornado siren will cost \$4,500 to repair the speakers and amp. Currently, the system is working and can be heard. The trustees will hold off for now on the repairs.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Golden reported monthly runs so far have been 19 fire and 42 EMS for a total of 263 runs YTD. Mutual aid was provided to Amanda, Berne, Clearcreek, Greenfield, Hocking County, and Lancaster. A total of 1 run to SCI. Reminder that this is again non-burn time between 6am – 6pm.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The county engineer's office will keep Hocking Township informed as to the progress of the OPWC on Meister Road. Should be hearing something soon.

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- 2. Hocking Township will continue to monitor Stonewall Cemetery Road and Stepath Mound Lane for erosion.
- 3. Due to the Army Corp of Engineers being short staffed, the trustees are asking Fairfield County to do a water study for the size of the culvert needed to cut down the erosion from Muddy Prairie Run Creek on Pleasant Valley Road. Trustee Ellinger spoke to Eric McCrady and they will get the recommended size.
- 4. Deputy Hummel and the Health Department will be checking on the property complaints on Hamburg Road. They will advise of the next steps.
- 5. The property at 188 and Delmont Road is proposed for a Loves fuel station. The city of Lancaster is planning on annexing the property.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Trustee Shaw, Trustee Ellinger, and Fiscal Officer Ressley will meet with the Lancaster City Mayor Scheffler on May 4, 2021 at 1:00pm to discuss the annexation of the proposed Loves Truck Stop at 188 and Delmont Road.

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 Wolfe seconded the motion.

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Mr. Charles Ressley

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