

**Wayne Township Board of Trustees
Trustee Meeting
April 14, 2021**

Call to Order: Chairperson, Teresa Hinnners at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call: Teresa Hinnners, Warren Walker, Jason Ritter, Sandra Borchers

Guests: Tony Dolan, Ernie Ramos, Jason Phillips, Erica Hartman, Brian Dowers, Larry Cooper, Sandra Cooper, Josiah Irwin, Sue Allen, Dennis Elchlinger, Robin Harp-Haun

Prayer & Pledge: Teresa Hinnners

Sheriff Report – Corporal Dowers stated that crime is down from February (31 reports) to March (22 reports).

Clermont County Sewer and Water Department – Mr. Ramos brought forms to sign regarding the sale of property to the Clermont County Sewer and Water Department for the usage to cover the sewer on existing property. Quick Claim Deed Property Sale \$73.

20210414-01: Warren Walker moved to decline Offer of Closing Protection Plan Coverage.
2nd by Jason Ritter

Vote: WW, TH, JR

All Aye

Motion Carried

Public

- Tony Dolan – Representing “Abate Ohio” asked the Board to sign the Proclamation declaring May as Motorcycle Awareness Month.

20210414-02: Warren Walker moved to declare May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in Wayne Township.

2nd by Jason Ritter

Vote: WW, TH, JR

All Aye

Motion Carried

- Dennis Elchlinger – State Route 727 and Pringle Road area needs berm repair.
- Residents of Newtonsville inquired about RITA Income Tax
 - Dollars are to be collected for all of 2020 and one month (January) of 2021.
- Speed Bumps – Trustee Hinnners explained the different ones available, and that sewer construction will be going in a few months.
- Streetlights – Township cannot absorb the cost. Residents can petition to get streetlights and then a Lighting District can be established. Duke Energy will be turning off the lights in the near future.
- Residents upset with the declining properties in “Newtonsville”. What will Wayne Township do for “Newtonsville”?
- Zoning Department has been working to get Zoning established in the Newtonsville area. It will take time. The Board encouraged residents to join the Zoning Meeting on Zoom on the first Wednesday of each month.
- Sandra Cooper presented the Board with a Petition against Zoning Administrator Al Carrier. Trustee Hinnners said that any issues with a Public Employee will be dealt with in Executive Session.
- Trustee Ritter asked Mr. Ramos’ opinion regarding notes in Executive Session. Mr. Ramos stated to contact your legal counsel, then Attorney, Client relationship is established. At that time, the Attorney can advise what would need to be done and notes would not need to be taken.
- Newtonsville Speed Limits – Sheriff follows what is posted.

20210414-03: Teresa Hinnners moved to take a 5-minute break at 8:10 p.m.

2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR

All Aye

Motion Carried

- **8:15 – meeting resumed.**

20210414-03: Jason Ritter moved to approve the agenda.

2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR

All Aye

Motion Carried

20210414-04: Jason Ritter moved to pay all bills.

2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR

All Aye

Motion Carried

Fiscal Officer Report

Date – April 14, 2021

Month of – March

Total \$ - \$1,132,629.63

Investments - \$107,362.24

Checking - \$1,028,267.39

Revenue for Month - \$231,826.16

Expenses for Month - \$115,018.15

Checks Issued – 34332 to 34387

Department Reports

Fire/EMS

20210414-05: Jason Ritter moved to hire Wayne Tarvin at \$12.00 per hour effective 4/8/2021 on a 1-year probationary basis as POC/FF/EMT.

2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR

All Aye

Motion Carried

- The Board approved that Doug Brown could conduct Fire/EMS training on Saturday and Sunday of May 16-17, May 23-24, and May 30-31.

Road – Jason Ritter

- Patching will start next week.
- Road mowing will start in May.
- Culvert pipes are being installed now.

Cemeteries – Teresa Hinnners

- Revenue YTD = \$14,354.80.

20210414-06: Warren Walker moved to purchase a used rototiller for \$800.00 as described by Mr. Browning.

2nd by Jason Ritter

Vote: WW, TH, JR

All Aye

Motion Carried

Zoning – Warren Walker

- Trustee Walker read the monthly Zoning Report from Mr. Carrier.

20210414-07: Warren Walker moved to accept the contract with McBride Dale Clarion services for Newtonsville, not to exceed \$13,000.00.

2nd by Teresa Hinnners

Discussion – Trustee Hinnners amended to add \$500.00 for a possible additional fee.

Vote: WW, TH, JR

All Aye

Motion Carried

Fire/EMS – Chief Greatorex

- The Fire Department has been awarded a FEMA Grant of \$7,700 with the Township portion being \$383.00 for new PPE.

20210414-08: Jason Ritter moved to approve the \$7,700 FEMA Grant with \$383.00 being the Township portion for PPE.

2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR

All Aye

Motion Carried

- Chief Greatorex addressed the run-down structures in Newtonsville. Fire Codes will be addressed for building falling and to mitigate all hazards.

20210414-09: Teresa Hinnners moved to go into Executive Session under ORC 121.22 (G) 1 for the purpose of investigating charges against a Public Employee at 9:30 p.m.
2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR All Aye Motion Carried

- Return to Regular Session at 10:01 p.m.
- Overlay – Discussion of complaints against a Public Employee
- Road Mileage Report – Mr. Ritter took it with him in February and was to check with the County Engineer about adding mileage for Newtonsville. Engineer has not gotten back with Mr. Ritter.
- The Board discussed 2021 Road Paving. Bid Packet for following roads - Meek, Park, Johnson, Martin, and portion of Roudebush (between Park and Meek) Roads proposed to be paved. 3,340 ton of blacktop at \$75.00 per ton or \$242,150.00 at \$74.50 per ton estimated.

20210414-12: Jason Ritter moved to post Bid Packet availability in Newspapers (Enquirer) and website for 2 weeks in the Legal Section of papers.
2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR All Aye Motion Carried

20210414-13: Jason Ritter moved that all Bids will be opened on 5/26/2021 at 7:30 p.m. at the Trustee Meeting. Completion Date of 10/1/2021 to be added to the packet.
2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR All Aye Motion Carried

- Trustee Hinnners stated that the website is almost complete.

20210414-14: Teresa Hinnners moved to nominate Mrs. Cannava (for Edenton Cemetery Fence Project) as the 2021 Salute to Leaders nominee.
2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR All Aye Motion Carried

20210414-15: Teresa Hinnners moved to approve the Proposed County Hazard Mitigation Plan.
2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR All Aye Motion Carried

20210414-16: Jason Ritter moved to approve the Rental Rates for the following: \$100.00, \$20.00 per month for Farmers Market Season at Administrative Building Parking Lot, \$50.00 per event at the Administrative Office Room, \$25.00 for Shelter at 794 Wright Street.
2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR All Aye Motion Carried

20210414-17: Jason Ritter moved to approve the Property Complaint form as written.
2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR All Aye Motion Carried

20210414-18: Jason Ritter moved to go into Executive Session at 10:48 p.m. under ORC 121.2(G)1 for Employee Compensation.
2nd by Teresa Hinnners

Vote: WW, TH, JR All Aye Motion Carried

- Return to Regular Session at 11:30 p.m.
- Overlay – Insurance for Employees

20210414-19: Jason Ritter moved to supply Health Insurance for full-time employees thru Anthem BC & BS – SOCA Blue Anthem tiered plan for Wayne Township. Employees will pay the balance per month after the Township Portion is paid. Township pays \$600/month for single, \$800.00/month for employee plus one, \$1,400.00/month for family.
2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR All Aye Motion Carried

20210414-20: Jason Ritter moved to have Township of Fiscal Officer, Sandra Borchers, to pay 80% of Health Insurance Premium.
2nd by Warren Walker

Vote: WW, TH, JR

All Aye

Motion Carried

20210414-21: Warren Walker moved to adjourn at 11:44 p.m.
2nd by Jason Ritter

Vote: WW, TH, JR

All Aye

Motion Carried

Teresa Hinnners, Chairperson

Warren Walker, Vice Chairperson

Jason Ritter, Trustee

Sandra Borchers, Fiscal Officer