

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Lawrence Township Trustees

Regular Meeting

January 11, 2023

The Trustees of Lawrence Township met in regular session at 7:00PM in the Charles E. Lundenberger Memorial Meeting Room. All Trustees were present, and the meeting was called to order by Chairman Ritterbeck.

Minutes from the December 29, 2022 regular meeting were approved.

The above bills were approved by the Board and checks were written and Fiscal Officer presented Trustees with December, 2022 bank statement.

RESOLUTION

Ritterbeck made a **motion** to approve **Resolution 10-23 2023 Appropriations in the amount of \$3,410,549.26**, seconded by Haueter. Ritterbeck:yes; Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. Ritterbeck made a **motion** to approve **Resolution 11-23 To Reimburse Trustees, Fiscal Officer and Township employees on Township business .655 cents per mile**, seconded by Ackerman. Ritterbeck:yes; Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. Ritterbeck made a **motion** to approve **Resolution 12-23 Resolution Clarifying Effect of American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds as it relates to fiscal officer and trustee salaries**, seconded by Ackerman. Ritterbeck:yes; Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed.

PUBLIC SPEAKS

Shawn Lynch, Bolivar Fire Chief advised they distributed 41 smoke detectors and letters will go out to area businesses next week seeking donations to purchase more smoke detectors to distribute. Lynch advised American Red Cross is also distributing smoke detectors but concentrating in the Newcomerstown area due to recent fire tragedy. Lynch advised trustees they are working with manufacturer regarding some paint issues with the new fire truck, which has a 7-year paint warranty.

MEETING

First meeting in January is reorganization meeting for 2023. Ritterbeck made a **motion** to appoint Trustee Ackerman as Chairman, seconded by Haueter. Ritterbeck:yes; Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. Ritterbeck made a **motion** to approve the following appointments, seconded by Haueter: Ackerman: Regional Planning, Health Board Representative and Zoning Commission; Weekley Regional Planning Alternate; Haueter: Wellhead Protection, Safety Committee and Website; Ritterbeck: Health & Recreation Committee, Cemetery Committee, and Street and Roads. Ritterbeck:yes; Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. Ackerman made a **motion** to change the January 26th meeting to Tuesday January 24 due to Ohio Township Association workshops in Columbus, seconded by Haueter. Ritterbeck:yes; Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. Ackerman made a **motion** to renew Ron Gauding's appointment to the Board of Zoning Appeals through 2026, seconded by Haueter. Ritterbeck:yes; Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. Ackerman advised Trustees that the Zoning Commission members thanked the Trustees for the gift cards. Perry Myers, Asst. Road Superintendent presented Trustees with the Ohio Department of Transportation 2022 Township Highway System Mileage Certification of 40.184 miles of public roads Ritterbeck made a **motion** to approve and sign the certification, seconded by Haueter. Ritterbeck:yes; Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. Myers presented Trustees with quote from Tuscarawas County Engineer in the amount of \$7,000 for cutting berm on Welton. Trustees discussed if this was going to be part of the ARP funds used on Welton and Fiscal Officer Ackerman will research and report back. Myers informed Trustees there is one container for compost, they are working on ditching, filling pot holes, replaced stop signs and cleaning up trees from recent storm. Zoning Inspector Weekley advised Trustees that the Zoning Commission is preparing to approve changes and have a public hearing then present to Trustees. Weekley is going to reach out to Regional Planning regarding new Dollar General in the Township.

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Ritterbeck made a **motion**, seconded by Haueter to approve the quarterly Lawrence Township Credit Card Form. Ritterbeck:yes; Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. Mann presented Trustees letter seeking donation for the compost from the Villages of Bolivar and Zoar. The Board then discussed Township affairs in general and a motion to adjourn was made and so ordered by the Chairman.

ATTEST:

_____, Fiscal Officer
Ann Marie Ackerman

_____, Chairman
Donald Ackerman

APPROVED:

_____, Trustee
Matthew Ritterbeck

_____, Trustee
Michael Haueter

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