

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Lawrence Township Trustees

Regular Meeting

May 11, 2023

The Trustees of Lawrence Township met in regular session at 7:00PM. in the Charles E. Lundenberger Memorial Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ackerman. Trustee Matt Ritterbeck was absent.

Minutes from the April 27, 2023 regular meeting were approved.

The above bills were approved by the Board and checks were written and fiscal officer presented Trustees with April 2023 bank statement.

PUBLIC SPEAKS

David Irwin from the Village of Zoar advised Trustees that the siren was installed and will be tested at noon the first Monday of each month and thanked the Trustees for their financial support in making this happen. Township resident Kevin Anslow asked for cemetery contact information and thanked road crew for replacing culvert on St. Pete but felt it needed signage to show where the road is since the culvert has been cleaned out. Road Superintendent McNutt will install road signs.

RESOLUTION

Fiscal Officer Ann Ackerman presented Trustees with **Resolution 28-23 Authorizing Purchase of cement from Smith Concrete using ARPA funds in the amount of \$868 for Welton Rd.** Motion by Trustee Ackerman, seconded by Haueter to approve **Resolution 28-23.** Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. Fiscal Officer Ackerman presented Trustees with **Resolution 29-23 Authorizing Purchase of pipe from Marlboro Supply using ARPA funds in the amount of \$1,196 for Welton Rd.** Ackerman made a **motion**, seconded by Haueter to approve **Resolution 29-23.** Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. Fiscal Officer Ackerman presented Trustees with **Resolution 30-23 Authorizing Payment of \$4,879.48 to Tuscarawas County Engineer for berming on Welton Rd using ARPA funds.** Ackerman made a **motion**, seconded by Haueter to approve **Resolution 30-23.** Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed.

MEETING

Chairman Trustee Ackerman reminded that chip & seal bids will be opened at the next meeting and Trustees will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed changes to the Zoning Regulations at 6:30 p.m. prior to the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. Ackerman also advised that the Trustees went into Executive Session at the last meeting to discuss pending litigation in Small Claims Court regarding a cemetery issue and it is being handled by the Township's attorney and Ackerman has received several complaints regarding St. Rt. 212 by Kerns Drive and County Road 103 and they are looking into it. Township resident Anslow asked if the turn lane required by Dollar General could extend down St. Rt. 212 and at this time it is only by the Dollar General per O.D.O.T requirement per Zoning Inspector Ron Weekley. Weekley then advised Trustees that property for sale next to Holly Heights is zoned C-3 but could be rezoned R-1 or R-2 upon the new purchaser wanting to look into that option. Trustee Haueter was approached by an O.D.N.R. employee asking if he can park his pick up at the township building when not on the job and he will be allowed to park in the front parking lot. Haueter met with Todd Reynolds and Perry Myers and representatives of the baseball complex regarding parking when the ballfield is in use. Township will install "No parking signs from here to corner" along road as to allow for safety of sight distance and Ackerman made a **motion**, seconded by Haueter to allow them to increase the parking area into the Township right of way, but still off the road. Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. A letter will be sent to them approving the additional parking. Road Superintendent McNutt advised Trustees Tuscarawas County will no longer be using the township salt shed and there is approximately 120 tons of salt in the bay. Tuscarawas County is offering the salt to the Township for \$25.61 per ton. Ackerman made a **motion**, seconded by Haueter to purchase 120 tons at \$25.61 per ton for a total of \$3,073.20. Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. Welton Road berming is complete and the road is ready for asphalt, St. Pete's is ready for chip & seal, grass has been mowed, trucks need some minor maintenance work and Tuscarawas County Board of Elections will be having a special election on August 8, 2023 and will be using the township hall.

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Assistant Road Superintendent Perry Myers advised Trustees that a private gas line was damaged during culvert replacement on Welton Road and resident is asking for reimbursement of expenses to repair in the amount of \$2,059.92. Ackerman made a **motion**, seconded by Haueter to approve reimbursement of \$2,059.92 upon receipt of paid invoices. Haueter:yes; Ackerman:yes. **Motion** passed. A motion to adjourn was made and so ordered by the Chairman.

ATTEST:

_____, Fiscal Officer
Ann Marie Ackerman

_____, Trustee
Matthew Ritterbeck

APPROVED:

_____, Chairman
Donald Ackerman

_____, Trustee
Michael Haueter