Minutes of Lawrence Township Trustees

Regular Meeting

August 29, 2024

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 Ritterbeck. All Trustee were present.

Minutes from the August 8, 2024 regular meeting were approved.

The above bills were approved by the Board and checks were written.

PUBLIC SPEAKS

Tim and Cathy Toolan residents of Olde Orchard are concerned with recent work done on the detention basin at the Old Hill Top Development. They feel that the basin will hold less water than required and spill over onto their property. Ron Weekley and Trustees will look into the matter and also reach out to Regional Planning. Nikki Moore advised Trustees of the very high grass along Old Orchard and deer are hiding in the grass. Trustee Ackerman will contact the county as that is a county road.

MEETING

Road Superintendent Perry Myers advised Trustees that chip and seal was completed August 26-27 and went very well, sweeping on the chip and seal roads is scheduled for September 9-10, Newton Asphalt indicated paving will be done middle of September, No U turn signs have been installed on Gibler, road and road signs have been checked, working on prewinter maintenance on equipment and asked Trustees on status of potentially hiring a third full time employee. Myers received an estimate from Levco Striping Services, Inc. for \$640 to stripe parking on Gibler and 2 handicap logos. Ackerman made a motion, seconded by Haueter to approve Levco Striping Services, Inc. estimate for \$640. Ackerman: yes; Haueter: yes; Ritterbeck: yes. Motion passed. Zoning Inspector Weekley was asked by a resident if they purchase property on the corner of Laurens Dr. and Buehler to build a house, if a driveway permit would be approved. Trustees did not see an issue with that. Tuscarawas County Engineer Doug Bachman wrote a letter to O.D.O.T. regarding removing a hump along St. Rt. 212 and provided the Township with a copy. The Township thanked Bachman for the letter and his support. Ritterbeck indicated with the Joint Solid Waste Management District ending funding for the compost at the end of 2025 he is looking into writing an Ohio EPA Capital Grant for a front-end loader if the township wants to try to keep the compost open after 2025, and Buckeye Joint Vocational School is wanting to make benches for the basketball court and walking trail donating the labor. Trustees discussed seeking donations either financially or material wise to have these benches built. Martina Mann advised Trustees that the Rosenberry grant was declined. Fiscal Officer Ann Ackerman advised Trustees she is working with the I.R.S. regarding a payroll payment made in 2024 that was inadvertently applied to 2023. Trustees agreed to hold a work session beginning at 6:15 prior to the September 12 meeting to discuss potential third full time employee, sheriff in Lawrence Township and future of the compost. A motion to adjourn was made and so ordered by Chairman.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

, Fiscal Officer

_, Chairman

, Trustee

Ann Marie Ackerman

Donald Ackerman

Matthew Ritterbeck

_, Trustee

Michael Haueter