

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

On August 3, 2020 the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, UNION COUNTY, OHIO convened in regular session at 7:00 pm at the Liberty Township Community Building. Jerry McClary opened the meeting and Jeff Rea led in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members and guest were present:

MEMBERS: Jack McCoy-present, Jerry McClary – present, Mike Moffett-present, Jeff Rea – present.

EMPLOYEES: Jerry Welch, Dave Thomas, Chad Heminger, Lloyd Segner, Chad Herriott,

VISITORS: Gabe Filbert, Tom Filbert, Don Webb, Dustin Webb, Mike White, James Ulmer, Rosa McMillen

Audience questions/comment

Dustin Webb an eagle scout candidate from troop 634 asked to do a project at Keckley. He suggested building and installing martin boxes. He submitted a plan of the boxes and talked with Jerry Welch about the best place to put them. Jack McCoy made a motion to approve his plan seconded by Mike Moffett. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Gabe Filbert the eagle scout candidate from troop 355 brought more information and a plan to build a gaga pit at Keckley. Jack McCoy made a motion to accept his project seconded by Jerry McClary. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Mike White from the Shriners was present to talk about their can collection drive. Raymond is one of 7 can collection sites in the County. The collector box is located by the fire house and some neighbors have been complaining about cans blowing out of the box and making a mess. Mr. White suggested maybe moving the box to the ballfield where it could be better enclosed. Jack McCoy made a motion to accept this seconded by Mike Moffett. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Meeting Minutes

The Trustees reviewed the minutes of the July 6 and July 13 meetings. Jerry McClary moved to accept the minutes of the meeting seconded by Mike Moffett. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Financial report

Fiscal officer Jeff Rea presented the financial reports for the month that ended July 31, 2020. Jack McCoy moved to accept the financial reports as presented, Mike Moffett seconded the motion. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Sheriff's report

A Deputy came to discuss things needed looking after in the Township. He discussed the grave damage at the Raymond cemetery with Rosa McMillen as the graves were her great grandchildren. He said they haven't been able to find any leads. Jerry Welch said he would try to find signs that say the cemetery is being recorded. He was also asked to keep an eye on Peoria speeding and Bear Swamp Road as the section of 739 from Main Street to Bear Swamp will be completely torn up and people will be using that as a detour

Maintenance department report

Activities during June as reported by Jerry Welch:

- Burned brush at the cemetery
- Dumped trash at cemeteries, Keckley, and Ball Park
- Mowed and trimmed
- Mowed road ditches
- Patched black top
- Sprayed Round-Up
- Replaced battery in the Ford truck
- Helped Sam Jackson with a tile issue

He also reported that the garage door on the shop needs replaced. He got a quote for \$1528.00. Jack suggested he get a door and an opener at the same time. Jack made a motion to purchase both of these, seconded by Mike Moffett. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Fire Department Report

Acting Fire Chief Dave Thomas reported that there were 33 total incidents during the month of July with 26 being EMS calls, 3 being fire, and 4 being motor vehicle accidents.

He also reported:

- He talked to Steve Brose from Allen Township and they would like to borrow our "backup" ambulance as one of theirs is in the shop.
- On the 19th a crew member had symptoms of Covid but managed to self-quarantine and is now back to work.
- The department has a draft for a lease agreement for the station and the fire district

Lloyd wanted to know if he is to receive compensation for his role as an assistant chief. Jack McCoy made a motion to pay him the same as Dave Thomas is paid-\$400/mo. And pay him retroactively. Jerry McClary seconded the motion. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-abstained.

Zoning department report

Zoning inspector Chad Herriott reported that he had 14 phone calls and 33 emails regarding zoning in July. He also said that he is being bombarded with question regarding lot splits. He issued two permits for a new construction house and a garage. He reported that he will know when he will be moving probably later this week.

Keckley

None

OLD BUSINESS

Jeff Rea presented a resolution to proceed with the levy for the PSO. Jack McCoy made a motion to proceed with putting the levy on the ballot, seconded by Mike Moffett. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

New Business

There have been questions on whether to reopen the use of the Community Building. All were in agreement to honor existing reservations but not to make any new ones until all of this madness over the coronavirus is over, probably November 4th.

There have also been question on whether to offer reservations for the Keckley shelter house. No decision has been made.

Jack brought up that there are so many keys to Township buildings out in the public and would like to look at options to have the locks changed to a possible electronic lock that could be opened with a code that changes. He will contact Golden Bear and see if they could meet to discuss options.

Jack also reported that voting will take place on November 3 at the community building so he has not reserved any for the 2nd through the 4th.

Mike Moffett reported that he talked to someone about the truck noise on 739 and not much can be done as anything such as signage and warnings interfere with federal law and funding and cannot be enforced.

Pay Bills

The July bills as recorded by the Fiscal Officer were: Warrants 10574-10614 payments, withholding, and payroll vouchers 294-346. Jerry McClary moved to accept the payments as made. Jack McCoy seconded the motion. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Adjourn

Being no additional business to come before the Board, Mike Moffett moved to adjourn. Jerry McClary seconded the motion. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

The meeting was adjourned until September 8, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Community Building.

Jerry McClary-Chairman

Jeff Rea-Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, UNION COUNTY, OHIO 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.