

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

On June 6, 2022, the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, UNION COUNTY, OHIO convened in regular session at 7:00 pm at the Liberty Township Community Building. Chairman Mike Moffett opened the meeting and Jeff Rea led in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members and guests were present:

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

EMPLOYEES: Jerry Welch, Terry Turner

VISITORS: Sandy McBride, Hayes Ingram, Tim Merrick, Tim Rowlee

Audience questions/comment

Sandy McBride was present to discuss some things about the solar project. First she wanted to know about a meeting between the Trustees and Commissioners that took place earlier in May. This meeting was a meeting with Commissioner Dave Burke and open to all Trustees in the County to answer questions about the solar projects. This was a meeting of the Union County Township Officials which meets quarterly and Dave Burke was the guest speaker. Sandy had also read that the Trustees were asked to send a letter at least 24 hours to the Commissioners before their June 15th meeting in regards to asking Commissioners to not allow solar projects in the County. Since the Board had hand delivered a letter and resolution to this effect it wasn't necessary to send one by the 15th. She also wanted to know if the Commissioners had made a decision regarding PILOT vs property taxes, which they have not.

Hayes Ingram asked how much interaction and cooperation there was between all of the Townships in the County. Through the Union County Township Officials we are able to get the word out to each other and if any one Township has any more information they are more than willing to share.

Meeting Minutes

The Trustees looked over the minutes from the May 2, 9, and 23 meetings. Jack made a motion to accept minutes for the May 2 meeting, seconded by Jerry McClary. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye. Jack McCoy made a motion to accept the minutes from April 18 meeting, seconded by Mike Moffett. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye. Mike Moffett made a motion to accept the minutes

from the May 23 meeting seconded by Jerry McClary. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Financial report

Fiscal officer Jeff Rea presented the financial reports that ended May 31, 2022. Jack McCoy made a motion to accept the financial reports as presented, Jerry McClary seconded the motion. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Sheriff's report

A deputy was present to ask if there was anything that needed special attention. Some of the only things was the continual speeding through Peoria and the daily stoppage of trains across the road.

Maintenance department report

Activities during May as reported by Jerry Welch:

- Dumpster Days- had 10 dumpsters and two steel dumpsters
- Dumped trash at cemetery and Keckley
- Mowed and trimmed
- Finished footers having to pump water out of some before pouring concrete
- Put out flags in cemeteries and streets
- Started to mow roads but got rained out
- Had Southeast Equipment out to fix backhoe
- Cleared some trees that had blown down on the roads

He also reported that Larry Poling offered \$500 for the old bed on the Ford truck when the new one gets installed which was acceptable with the Trustees. Dexter who is installing the new bed suggested getting fenders put on (\$700) and the new bed undercoated (\$500) to protect against salt damage. Jack made a motion to do both things seconded by Mike Moffett. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye. Discussion began about the need for an excavator to help with foundation and grave digging especially when the ground is wet. Jerry priced one for around \$55,000 and subsequently the discussion stopped.

Fire Department Report

None

Zoning department report

Zoning inspector Terry Turner reported that he had 35 phone calls this month and 9 applications for zoning permits and 8 permits issued. He also reported that he had issued 3 violation notices. He also brought up that there is a regulation that requires a permit for a privacy fence but there is no fee for this and he thought there maybe should be one. Jack made a motion to set a fee at

\$50 but after discussion Mike made the motion to amend the motion to make the fee \$25 instead seconded by Jack McCoy. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-Nay, Mike Moffett-aye. Terry also wanted to set up a cloud based storage for zoning files and permits. A company called Pcloud would provide 500 Gig storage for \$175 for life, this was acceptable and he will get with Jeff to set this up.

Keckley

None

OLD BUSINESS

Jack passed out a spreadsheet outlining the things that need to be accomplished for the Bicentennial celebration.

The RBSA is pushing back on the suggestions of what to paint on the dugouts so we will probably have to paint them ourselves.

New Business

Tim Merrick was at the meeting to explain the possibility that Leesburg Township Fire Department may be interested in joining the Fire District. He presented some models about funding with the additional manpower needed to run the station and what is expected from the District and from Leesburg. The addition of Leesburg could be an important method of maintaining coverage throughout the parts of the district that are further away from the station in Raymond. Current funding from the District levy would be ample to operate both buildings and the machinery from Leesburg would be no investment in trucks or medics.

Mike had looked into changing our waste removal company. In May the cost at Republic was \$1576.85 for one month. Rumpke is offering an option of one 2 cubic yard container at the Township shop which is smaller than the current 3 cubic yard but still large enough, and a 4 cubic yard container at the Community Building which is larger than the current 3 cubic yard currently. The cost of these two would be \$196.34 per month with a one time delivery charge of \$130. Jack McCoy made a motion to accept this option seconded by Jerry McClary. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Pay Bills

The May bills as recorded by the Fiscal Officer were: Warrants 11171-11185 payments, withholding, and payroll vouchers 63-81. Mike Moffett moved to accept the payments as made. Jack McCoy seconded the motion. A vote was taken-Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Adjourn

Being no additional business to come before the Board, Mike Moffett moved to adjourn. Jack McCoy seconded the motion. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye. The meeting was adjourned until the next meeting on July 5, 2022, at 7:00 pm in the Liberty Township Community Building.

Mike Moffett-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.