

# **RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

### **REGULAR SESSION**

On August 5, 2024, 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: Terry Turner, Jerry Welch, Joel Harrington

VISITORS: Judi Brinson, Dave Brinson, Farol Chanan, Gary Trees, Hayes Ingram, Ashley Harrington, Rosa McMillen, Mike Justice, Dave Naismith, Connie McDaniel

#### **Audience questions/comment**

Dave Naismith representing Mid-Ohio Cemetery Services attended the meeting to discuss columbarium's for cemeteries. The units that he has have spaces for 72 urns with 36 on each side and are made of granite and measure 85"x27"x84". The cost for the columbarium alone is \$16,999.00 but with foundation and surrounding concrete would probably be around \$20,000.00 and up.

Connie McDaniel, daughter of a resident was present responding to a letter sent to her by Terry Turner regarding a property that has junk vehicles all over the property. She said she is trying to get it cleaned up but it is overwhelming, and she has had health problems but she will continue to work on it.

Mike Justice, Sheriff Elect came to the meeting just to touch base and hopes to be present to the Townships when he takes office so that he can be more accessible to the local community.

#### **Meeting Minutes**

The Trustees looked over the minutes from the July 8, 18, 25, 29 meetings. Mike Moffett made a motion to accept the minutes from the July 8 meeting seconded by Jack McCoy. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye. Jack McCoy made a motion to accept the minutes from the July 18 meeting seconded by Jerry McClary. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye. Mike Moffett made a motion to accept the minutes from the July 25 meeting, seconded by Jack McCoy. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye. Mike Moffett made a motion to accept the minutes

from the July 29 meeting with changes, seconded by Jack McCoy. 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 July 31, 2024. 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**

Deputy Swain was in attendance and reported that they have had complaints of speeding on State Route 347 between Raymond and the Logan County line. He wanted to know if there was anything else to look out for. Keckley was mentioned to keep an eye on.

### **Maintenance department report**

Maintenance Supervisor Jerry Welch reported his activities for July:

- Dumped trash at Keckley and cemeteries
- Mowed and trimmed weeds
- Cleaned Community Building
- Helped Joel with CDL
- Mowed road ditches
- Worked on tile at a residence on Benton Road
- Repaired rope and flag at Millcreek Cemetery
- Worked on dump truck
- Sprayed Round-Up

Jerry wanted to know when we were going to schedule Dumpster Days for the fall. After discussion it was decided to have it on September 13 and 14. He also worked with Casey Rausch from the County at a residence on Benton Road. Casey said that the tile is the responsibility of the homeowner based on where it is plugged.

The CDL for Joel is proving hard to find because there is no training for class B CDL only class A which is \$4500 for the training.

### **Fire Department Report**

Jerry McClary reported that there were 55 runs with 46 being in the district and they had a 91% staffing rate for July. They had 574 training hours for coroner training scene preservation. The new medic is in and has been decaled. Amy Beeny, Fiscal Officer has finished her probationary period and is working out very well. One member of the fire staff is pushing for a union in the district.

### **Zoning department report**

Zoning inspector Terry Turner reported that he has received four applications and issued three applications during the month of July. He had 38 calls during the month with 40 incoming and 30 outgoing emails. He also reported that there are currently no cases pending for BZA action. Regular bi-monthly meetings will begin in September, and he anticipates there will be a hearing in the near future with regard to a proposed lot split on Raymond Road.

### **Old Business**

Mike Moffett made a motion to have J&M Asphalt do the Community Building and Maintenance Building parking lots and striping the lots for the \$3400.00 estimate, seconded by Jerry McClary. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

The Trustees need to draft a letter requesting the proposed alleys be closed and submit to the Commissioners so they can accept it and then the alleys will revert to the possession of the property owners adjacent to them.

The Sixth and final draft of the cemetery rules and fees was presented with no corrections or modifications. Mike Moffett made a motion to accept the final draft seconded by Jerry McClary. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

Mike made a motion to accept the new cemetery fees, seconded by Jerry McClary. A vote was taken- Jack McCoy-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Mike Moffett-aye.

### **Solar Projects**

There will be an Invenergy meeting on August 21 at the Community Building beginning from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Invenergy has begun construction on Patrick Brush Run Road.

### **New Business**

Mike Moffett presented a Memorandum of Agreement between the County Commissioners Office and the Emergency Management Agency for Tornado Siren Ownership and Maintenance. The Trustees will read the Memorandum and meet later before signing the document.

All Township employees are required to take a Fraud Training course through an online video and provide a certificate of completion to the Fiscal Officer.

### **Pay Bills**

The July bills as recorded by the Fiscal Officer were Warrants 11651-11666 payments, withholding, and payroll vouchers 105-120. Mike Moffett made a motion to accept the payments as made. Jack McCoy seconded the motion. A vote was taken-Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye, Jerry McClary-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- Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye, Jerry McClary-aye. The meeting was adjourned until the next meeting on September 9, 2024, at 7:00 pm in the Liberty Township Community Building.

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Mike Moffett-Chairman

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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.