

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

On September 9, 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: Sarah Phipps, Dave Brinson, Farol Chanan, Gary Trees, Hayes Ingram, Tim Rowlee, Flora Kane

Audience questions/comment

Sarah Phipps asked if there was any clarification on the maintenance fees that were being assessed on property taxes for the logjam cleanup. The Trustees did their best to explain the fees even though there is not an abundance of information on the destination of these fees from the County.

Meeting Minutes

The Trustees looked over the minutes from the August 5 meeting. Jack McCoy made a motion to accept the minutes as written seconded by Mike Moffett. 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 August 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

None

Maintenance department report

Maintenance Supervisor Jerry Welch reported his activities for August:

-Dumped trash at Keckley and cemeteries

- Mowed and trimmed weeds
- Cleaned Community Building
- Mowed road ditches
- Worked on tile on Morse Road at Junior Holloway residence
- Installed new exit sign at Community Building that was broken
- Had Funeral
- Called about dumpsters and got things ready for Dumpster Days on September 13 and 14

Mike Moffett reported that he was at Keckley Park and noticed that a post is broken that has a cable going through it and may need replaced. The maintenance staff will take a look at it.

Fire Department Report

Jerry McClary reported that there were 47 runs with 41 being in the district and they had a 97% staffing rate for August. They had 376 training hours. Chief Merrick resigned as Fire Chief and Dave Hawkins has been hired as the new Chief of the District. Some Fire personnel are still pushing the idea of a union, and the Board has filed paperwork to deny unionization and there is a back and forth between attorneys which will probably result in a vote sometime in November. The District received a grant for an exhaust removal system for the Leesburg Station in the amount of \$95,000.00.

Zoning department report

Zoning inspector Terry Turner reported that he has received no applications and issued one application during the month of August. He had 33 calls during the month with 28 incoming and 18 outgoing emails. He also reported that there are currently no cases pending for BZA action. The first bi-monthly meeting of the BZA was held on September 5 and went well.

Old Business

Mike reported that the mulch has been installed at Keckley and there may be some areas that need some more but it might need to settle over the winter to make sure there are not more areas that need some more.

Solar Projects

Invenergy has been in contact with Mike about a "super load" that will be traveling down Patrick Brush Run Road and there will need to be some trees trimmed and cleared. They asked if there were any we would like trimmed as well at their expense as well while they are doing the work. Mike had some pictures of some that were a possibility that he would recommend to them.

New Business

Jerry suggested that we have Dave Naismith come back out and talk about the Columbarium since his last visit was cut short by an impatient resident and the information he brought with

him was not sufficient for making a decision. Jerry will get in touch with him and check on his availability.

The Fiscal officer presented a Resolution of Amounts and Rates for 2025 as estimated by the County Budget Commission. The amount approved by the Budget Commission inside the 10-mil limitation is \$123,700.00 for 2025 fiscal year. Jack McCoy made a motion to adopt the resolution seconded by Jerry McClary. A vote was taken-Jack McCoy-aye, Mike Moffett-aye, Jerry McClary-aye.

Pay Bills

The August bills as recorded by the Fiscal Officer were Warrants 11667-11681 payments, withholding, and payroll vouchers 121-131. 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 October 7, 2024, 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.

