



WAYNE TOWNSHIP
BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO

REGULAR TRUSTEES MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 17, 2023

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Wayne Township Trustees

BILL JONES
ED TRUSTER
TIM TAYLOR

Fiscal Officer/ Zoning

LAURA DALEY

CALL TO ORDER

Bill Jones called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood for the pledge of allegiance to our flag.

ROLL CALL

Laura Daley took roll call; all members of the board were present.

AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

Mathew from Liberty Township-5050 Middletown Hamilton Road spoke to the trustees in regards to the Butler County Health Department. He wanted to share that he had attended a few of their meetings and felt that they were not being ethical. He stated that he had requested copies of their bi-laws as he was interested in exactly how one was appointed to their board and said he was denied the request. He stated he wanted to share with our Trustees to make local leaders in our County that he felt that the Board of Health meetings should be more transparent and hoped that if others get involved that the board may be held accountable for refusing to respond to his public record's request. Trustee Bill Jones stated that this is something he should discuss with the Ohio Ethic's Commission. The Ohio Ethics Commission si who can help hold local government boards responsible for being transparent and correctly responding to public records requests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- March 20th, 2023 Regular Meeting
- March 27th, 2023 Special Meeting
- April 4th, 2023 Special Meeting

A motion to approve the above listed minutes was made by Tim Taylor, followed by a second by Ed Truster. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.



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PRESENTATIONS

- Tim Abbott – Energy Alliances– Aggregation

A discussion was held by all regarding questions, the opt-out option was discussed. Duke gives a price to compare, the alliance will go to get the best prices and present to the Trustees, the trustees will then need to decide whether to enter into a contract for those that are Duke customers. The Enquirer stated that there is expected to be a rate increase of 59% in May. Multiple entities have decided to place this option on the ballot and if the voters approve then Wayne will have the option to enter into the aggregate contract for a two-year term with the purpose of saving its resident's money on their utility bills. If it passes, the Township will hold a public hearing and resident's will be given 21 days to opt-out. The opt-out option will be available to individuals not wishing to participate in the aggregate as none of the Trustees are comfortable with forcing anyone into anything.

REPORTS

- Fiscal Officer – monthly financial reports were provided and signed by trustees. Audit is finalizing. Mrs. Daley stated that a draft copy of that audit needs to be signed by the Trustees and returned to the auditor's. The necessary Fire Levy legislation is with the Butler County Prosecutor's office, I have asked they revise it the two necessary resolutions to be passed by the trustees which will then allow us to file it with the board of elections so that the question of an additional levy can be put on the ballot for Wayne Township residents to vote on whether or not the support the department going to part-time and to purchase the necessary equipment to do that.
- Fire-Report attached. Chief Dog Hoit reviewed the fir report and then read a letter from Randy Pearson regarding his retirement from the fire department. The trustees all took a moment along with the Chief to thank Randy for his years of service, they asked that something be made up for him, a plaque or something to be displayed at the department. He then explained that the department would like to bring their fire reporting software in line with their EMS reporting software. Switching to ESO across the board. It will cost \$4025 to for start up but the actual annual fee will be much less.
A MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ESO FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIRE REPORTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4025.00 FOUR THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS with re-occurring annual fees at a lesser amount. A motion to approve was made by Ed Truster, followed by a second by Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.
A discussion was held regarding how information will be presented to the public to help support the levy, the fire department's officer's and association are working on ideas for events and ways to communicate the need to our resident's. The Fiscal Officer asked the trustees whether or not she should purchase a large screen tv to have on a stand to be able to present presentations during the Trustees meetings, she explained that the equipment they have is outdated and does not communicate with her computer that she runs the meetings from. They told her yes to that and asked if she would need a motion, she stated no she would buy an inexpensive one under her spending allowance.
- Road – Report attached. Road Supervisor Austin Young reported the new hire will start on April 24th and he is looking forward to him joining the team, the tractor and road mower were working well. He stated he hoped to have the other tractor and mower ready for sale by May to June. Trustee Taylor asked Mr. Young to place the Simonson sign up before Memorial Day. Austin stated that would be done, he then went on to explain he was still trying to work some bugs out of the speed sign to get it operational again. He also wanted to double check the address for where the school wanted the bus



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stop ahead sign to be installed on Howe Rd. Tim stated he believed it was at 5339 West bound side of Howe Road.

- Zoning- Report attached, Laura explained she was getting organized in the Zoning position as she only has had a week in the position and need to prep for the meeting, but has already done a few certificates and looked into a few complaints. She explained she will need a vehicle to use to do the necessary traveling and does not want to use her personal vehicle for this for insurance purposes and she just feels it to be more professional to have a clearly marked vehicle for the purpose of zoning and code enforcement. She will begin gathering bids for a used vehicle that matches our fleet. Bill Jones stated that after she gets more comfortable in her position, he would like to see her meet with the zoning commission to discuss some items that have come up regarding our Zoning Resolution. He asked that she send a copy of the Township's zoning resolution to all the trustees for their review.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Newsletter - Trustee Taylor stated that he would like to see an updated list of our State representatives possibly in the newsletter, also info about open burning, he also has some information regarding round-a-bouts and he was interested in the survey regarding whether people still would like to see the newsletter. Trustee Ed Truster reminded everyone that a new area code was being added to the 513 area. April 28th a new 283 area code will go into effect for our area.
- Paving – Multiple Bids were received regarding the paving of Thomas Road. Road Supervisor Austin Young recommended going with Normac Paving's bid as they paved Howe Road and for the amount of the bid given, it was his suggestion of them being the lowest and best.

A MOTION TO AWARD NORMAC PAVING THE THOMAS ROAD PAVING PROJECT INCLUDING WIDENING THE ROAD UPTO 6 INCHES ON EACH SIDE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$251,064.00 TWO HUNDRED FIFTY ONE THOUSAND AND SIXTY FOUR DOLLARS PLUS THE COST OF STRIPING, THIS MOTION IS TO INCLUDE GIVING PERMISSION TO THE FISCAL OFFICER FOR ANY FUND TRANSFERS NECCESARY TO MAKE PAYMENT IN FULL WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE TIM TAYLOR AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ED TRUSTER. ROLL CALL WAS TAKEN; 3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT.

It was then mentioned that there is a County Storm water meeting on April 20th, and a BCEO Paving meeting on April 25th and Austin will attend both.

- Tornado Sirens- Tim Taylor presented an up to date quote from Mobilecomm regarding a single tornado siren that could be used in the township as a beginning of a storm warning system. He has been staying in contact with Matt, Butler County EMA director and Denny Conrad, Reily Township Trustee, as Reily is currently working with Miami University students helping to write grants to help to cover the costs of Tornado Sirens in their township. Trustee Taylor feels very strongly about the need for tornado sirens and would like to continue to follow up on the subject. He also mentioned off the subject that the Quigley's residence has requested a deaf child at play sign Oxford-Middletown Road which is a State road controlled by ODOT. Tim plans to reach out to our Rep. Rodney Creech regarding reaching out to ODOT to see about having a sign installed as ODOT no longer places those types of signs.



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NEW BUSINESS

1. A MOTION TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF CHRIS AMBURGEY FOR THE POSITION OF ROAD LABORER AS OF 04/24/2023.

Ed Truster made a motion to approve, followed by a second by Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

LEGISLATION

1. A Resolution to adopt a policy stating that any abandoned or illegally parked cars On Wayne Township property will be towed by Anglin towing at the owner's expense, and to post signs stating the same.

Ed Truster made a motion to adopt followed by a second by Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

2. A Resolution authorizing all actions necessary to affect a governmental electric aggregation program for Wayne Township, Butler County, Ohio with opt-out provisions pursuant to section 4928.20 of the revised code and directing the Butler County Board of Elections to submit the question of authority to aggregate to the electors of the township.

The trustees continued to discuss this resolution, they were uncomfortable with passing at this time, so they tabled this item to be voted upon at a later date. A motion to table was made by Ed Truster, followed by a second by Bill Jones. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. The item was tabled.

AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

None.

AUDIENCE OF TRUSTEES

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. None.

NEXT MEETING

1. May 15th, 2023 at 7pm Regular Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Ed Truster made a motion to adjourn the Trustees meeting, followed by a second by Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. The April 17th Trustees meeting was adjourned at 9:24pm.



WAYNE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

4575 OXFORD MIDDLETOWN ROAD



Trustees Report April 17, 2023

March 2023 – 34 runs

EMS 14

Fire 20

10 Transports

2 Smoke visible

3 Refusals

3 Open Burns

1 Fire Assist

1 Structure Fire

1 Flooded Structure

2 Vehicle Fires

1 Wires Fire

2 Vehicle Crashes

1 Fire Alarm

7 EMS assist

5 Runs in Contract Area

0 Missed runs

Mutual Aid

1 Gratis Medic and Engine

2 Madison Tanker

1 St Clair Tanker

- ESO Fire Reporting System - \$4025 ; Needs Trustee Approval
- Levy update – 4 MIL (\$144/\$100,000)
- SOG Update
- Other



WAYNE TOWNSHIP ROAD DEPARTMENT

APRIL 17, 2023 ROAD REPORT

- CLEAN UP CEMETERIES/TWP PROPERTIES AND MOWED
- CLEAN UP TREES & LIMBS ALONG ROADSIDES
- TOOK TRASH IN DT OVER TO PREBLE COUNTY LANDFILL
- FIXED STOP SIGN ON THOMAS AND REPLACED RD SIGN
- COLD PATCHED SPOTS ON WAYNE MILFORD
- CLEAN BATHROOM AT SHOP
- CLEAN OFFICE AT SHOP
- MET WITH NORMAC TO GO OVER THOMAS ROAD
- ORDERED GRAVEL FROM DINGLEDINE AND SPREAD BEHIND SHOP
- REPLACED LIGHTS IN BARN
- ARM MOWER WENT OUT AND PUSHED BRUSH BACK ON ROADS
- EXTENDED MULCH BED IN FRONT OF ADMIN BUILDING
- MULCHED ADMIN BUILDING AND FIREHOUSE
- HAD JOHNNY'S A1 PUMP SEPTIC TANK AT MAINTENANCE GARAGE
- WASHED TRUCKS AND NEW HOLLAND 6020
- REMOVED LEANING TREE ON THOMAS ROAD
- ORDER ROAD SIGNS FOR TOWNSHIP ROADS AND SCHOOL BUS STOP AHEAD SIGN
- FIXED ZERO TURN
- REMOVED TREE AT 744 CEMETERY
- REPLACED LIGHT IN ADMIN OFFICE UTILITY ROOM
- CONDUCTED INTERVIEWS
- PICKED NEW HIRE

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WAYNE ZONING

April 17th, 2023

- Zoning Certificates
 - Pool/Fence – 4331 Windy Meadows Drive
 - Accessory Structure – 3954 Trenton Oxford Road
 - Accessory Structure – 3729 Cotton Run Road

- Violations
 - 3939 Hamilton Eaton Road – Fencing needed around salvage yard – will follow up
 - 4950 Waynes Trace Road

- Board of Zoning Appeals
 - o Still need 1 more alternate.

- Zoning Commission
 - Nothing to report