



WAYNE TOWNSHIP
BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO

REGULAR TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
JULY 15, 2024

5967 Jacksonburg Road, Trenton, Ohio 45067 Phone 513-217-7317

Wayne Township Trustees

BILL JONES
ED TRUSTER
TIM TAYLOR

Fiscal Officer/ Zoning

LAURA DALEY

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Bill Jones called the July 15th meeting to order at 7:00pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All stood for the pledge of allegiance to our flag.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken; all trustees were present.

A moment of silence was requested in honor of Nick Dengler.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

Tracy Halsey -4872 Thomas Rd. Calvin Short -4771 Thomas Rd. Linda Amann-4975 Thomas Rd. and Tina Longworth among other residents from Thomas Rd came to share their concerns of activities happening at 4951 Thomas Road. There have been multiple situations where the neighbors are concerned that the property owners are slaughtering animals and, in the past, possibly burning the carcasses. They now believe they have set up a pick up with Rumpke, but this past Friday, the Rumpke truck left a trail of terribly smelling guts and possible animal discards down the road. The complaint had been called in to a Trustee, who in turn notified Laura Daley, the zoning Inspector, to see if anything could be done about the odor and trail. She immediately dispatched the road crew and Tanker truck to clean the road. The residents also stated that there were water buffalo being kept on the property and due to them not having a proper water hole to wallow in, the water buffalo had gotten out of their enclosure and were trespassing in neighboring ponds.

Ms. Daley, Zoning Inspector, stated that this is not the first property within the township, she has received complaints regarding unlicensed processing of animals at additional addresses. She is aware of the issue, she has contacted the Butler County Health Department and the Department of Agriculture meat division. The Department of Agriculture will go on site and place a cease and desist on them, if they continue to operate without a license they will be cited by them. In order to get the Department of Agriculture involved she has to issue a cease and desist first and copy the complaint to their inspectors. The DOA takes this very seriously and have been very quick to act. A few things she wishes to share. Animal processing is not a permitted use



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anywhere in the Township unless it is used for personal consumption only. Although there is a language barrier with those that are doing the unlicensed processing, most are willing to abide by the rules when explained things. She also went onto state that if anyone has photographs of the actions taking place at a neighboring property to please send those to her at the following email address: info@waynetownship.net She explained that she is restricted in how she can obtain proof of actions and that she must have proof. The discussion continued and Ms. Daley stated she would keep the residents notified as the situation is resolved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- June 17th, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular trustees meeting was made by Trustee Ed Truster, followed by a second by Trustee Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken, 2 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent, Trustee Bill Jones abstained due to being absent from the June 17th meeting.

REPORTS – all reports are attached.

- Fiscal Officer
- Fire – hydrant testing is being performed by the Department throughout the Township, the maintenance of these hydrants is the responsibility of Southwest Regional water, but our department had not received any feedback for some time and the F.D. needs to be aware of any issues with hydrants before they arrive at the scene of a fire. In the testing of our hydrants we found nearly 20 bad hydrants throughout the Township. Southwest regional will be notified of their locations.
- Road – Trustee Ed Truster asked if the speed sign was repaired. It was explained that it was indeed showing speeds but was not communicating or keeping record so that this would not help to inform us if an actual speed study was needed where we had received complaints.
- Zoning

UNFINISHED BUISNESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

- I. A MOTION TO ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 TAX BUDGET FOR WAYNE TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO AND TO AUTHORIZE THE FISCAL OFFICER TO SUBMIT THE SAME TO THE BUTLER COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION.
Fiscal Officer Laura Daley stated that this budget is just a preliminary budget to help to prepare for the final budget that is due in 2025 with the final appropriations for FY 2025. That if needed amounts can be adjusted if any major changes need to be made.
Trustee Ed Truster made a motion to approve the adoption of the FY 2025 Tax budget and to submit the same to the County Budget Commission, followed by a second by Trustee Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.



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2. A MOTION TO APPROVE GRACIE KOELBLIN, EMT TO THE WAYNE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT ROSTER PENDING RECEIPT OF ALL PAPERWORK.

Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

LEGISLATION

1. None.

AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

1. None.

AUDIENCE OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Tim Taylor had nothing else to report.

Trustee Ed Truster asked if Arrowhead Estates was almost complete? Ms. Daley stated she believed there were 4 to 5 lots still to be built on but all had been sold to the best of her knowledge.

Trustee Bill Jones commented on the importance of resident's making sure that their addresses are visible for emergency vehicles. He suggests reflective signs. There was a short discussion regarding when the Fire Dept. offered these such signs for sale and whether it should be offered again. He just wanted to make sure everyone knew the importance of having your address clearly visible from the road.

*Teri Nichols reminded everyone that items for the fall newsletter needed to be submitted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. NONE.

NEXT MEETING

- August 19th, 2024, Monday at 7pm - Regular Trustees Meeting.
- August 29th, 2024 at 7pm - Zoning Commission Meeting
- September 14th 2pm-8pm - Fire Dept. Open House and Carnival

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the July 17th Regular Trustees meeting by Trustee Ed Truster, followed by a second Trustee Tim Taylor. Roll call was taken; 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. The regular trustees meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

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Fiscal Officer Report

July 15th, 2024

- All Invoices, Receipts, and Payroll are complete to date.
- Filed and paid monthly and quarterly payroll taxes.
- Monthly Bank Reconciliation and Finance Reports have been completed and presented to Trustees.
- June regular meeting minutes were completed.
- July meeting agenda prepared.
- Prepared and completed 2025 Tax Budget for presentation to Trustees and Butler County Budget Commission, and the Butler County Auditor's office.
- Fund reports and current budgets are available upon request.



WAYNE TOWNSHIP
FIRE DEPARTMENT
4575 OXFORD MIDDLETOWN ROAD



Trustee Report July 15, 2024

June Calls for Service:

Total Calls: 32

- *5 calls for FD only
- *8 calls for EMS only
- *19 calls EMS/FD both (11 Medic related, 5 MVA, 3 Fire Related)

- *7 missed calls (1 Dual dispatch, 4 EMS only, 2 Fire)
- *4 First Responder

*EMS

- *8 Transports
- *7 Non-Transports
 - * 3 Pt Refusals
 - * 2 FD Assist
 - * 2 Disregarded

*FIRE

- *4 Contract Area Responses
- *1 Mutual Aid Structure Fire

Other

- *New EMT for Approval Grace Koeblin



WAYNE TOWNSHIP ROAD DEPARTMENT

JULY, 2024 ROAD REPORT

- MOWED, SPRAYED AND TRIMMED CEMETERIES AND PROPERTIES
 - STARTED OUR 3RD ROUND OF ROAD MOWING
 - RENTED HARLEY RAKE AND REDONE DRIVEWAY AT SIMONSON
 - DID EDGE/BASE REPAIR ON COTTON RD AND OXFORD MIDDLETOWN (WEST)
 - DITCHED 2778 TOLBERT ROAD
 - FILLED IN LOW SPOTS AND SEEDED AT SIMONSON CEMETERY
 - CLEANED UP ROADS FROM STORMS
 - TOOK DOWN TREE ON STUBBS
 - SPRAYED JOHNSON GRASS ON ROADSIDES
 - PAVING MEETING BCEO (BOTH SECTIONS FINISHED)
 - MOWED AND TRIMMED CORNER LOT ON 744
 - CLEANED/WASHED TRUCKS AND TRACTORS
 - PULLED WEEDS AT ADMIN BUILDING AND FIREHOUSE
 - MOWED AND TRIMMED AT THE VOICE
 - 0 BURIAL 1 CALL IN
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WAYNE TOWNSHIP
ZONING DEPARTMENT
5967 JACKSONBURG ROAD

July 15th, 2023

- Zoning Certificates
 - Addition – 3750 John Wayne Dr.
 - Accessory Structure – 4078 Withrow Rd.
 - Multiple requests for exemption letters for Agricultural use structures

- Violations (letters sent)
 - 4738 Trenton-Oxford Rd. – noxious weeds
 - Cease and Desist letter- butchering of animals
 - Keeping of farm animals – tenants have moved from property.
 - 4951 Thomas Rd. – animal processing, carcasses and remnants spilled in roadway.
 - cease and desist to be sent- 07/16/24

- Complaints
 - excessive junk - arrowhead estates

- Resident request
 - requested information on lots for sale, permitted uses, accessory structure questions.

- Board of Zoning Appeals
 - No new business.

- Zoning Commission
 - The Zoning Commission next scheduled meeting is set for August 29th, 2024 at 7pm