

Walnut Township Trustees Regular Meeting

Date: January 7, 2020

Time: 7:14 p.m.

Recorder: Patricia McLoughlin

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Attendee	Present	Attendee	Present	Attendee	Present
Bill Yates, Trustee Chairman	X	Tim Morris, Parks & Roads	X	13 guests	X
Terry Horn, Trustee	X	Mike Berry, Zoning Inspector	X		
Doug Leith, Trustee	X				

Discussion Summary	Action/Decision/Follow-Up
<p>Approval of minutes from December 2, 2019 Regular meeting as corrected.</p> <p>Approval of minutes from December 10, 2019 Special meeting as corrected.</p>	<p>Motion by Trustee Chairman Yates, second by Trustee Horn. <u>Roll call:</u> Yates – Yes, Horn – Yes, Leith – Yes. Motion passed with 3 YES votes.</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Leith, second by Trustee Horn. <u>Roll call:</u> Yates – Yes, Horn – Yes, Leith – Yes. Motion passed with 3 YES votes.</p>
<p><u>Financial Report:</u> Jane Baker, Fiscal Officer – presented Check #'s 25508 – 25536 and EFT's 1216 – 1324, fund status, cash summary. Trustee Horn acknowledged receipt.</p> <p>Approval of Patricia McLoughlin, Recording Secretary invoice in the amount of \$108.00.</p>	<p>Motion by Trustee Horn to accept the financial report, second by Trustee Leith. <u>Roll call:</u> Yates – Yes, Horn – Yes, Leith – Yes. Motion passed with 3 YES votes.</p> <p>Motion to accept by Trustee Horn, second by Trustee Leith. <u>Roll call:</u> Yates – Yes, Horn – Yes, Leith – Yes. Motion passed with 3 YES votes.</p>

<p><u>Millersport Fire Department</u> – Chief Bob Price – 1248 total runs in 2019, increase of 200+ over 2018. Due to increase runs the department may see an increase in maintenance costs on equipment. The department continues to recruit new candidates. Currently they have half-dozen applications and 14 students enrolled in medic school. Thurston-Walnut Township Fire Department had approximately 750 runs in 2019.</p>	
<p><u>Zoning report:</u> Mike Berry – Zoning Inspector – 115 permits in 2019, an increase of 19 permits from 2018. New homes – 18 in 2019, an increase of 13 from 2018.</p>	
<p><u>Parks & Roads -</u> Tim Morris – ODNR sent email requesting a bid package No updated information on the RUMA for Leib’s Island. The grant for the tornado shelter looks favorable for Kirkersville feeder channel improvements, but no response from ODNR. Tim will update as information becomes available.</p>	
<p><u>Recycling</u> – No report.</p>	
<p><u>New Business:</u> Motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:38 p.m., under ORC 121.22G1 and invite Mary Boring, Mayor of Thurston and Tim Vorhees, investigator to join the Trustees in Executive Session.</p> <p>Trustees exited Executive Session at 9:05 p.m.</p>	<p>Motion by Trustee Chairman Yates, second offered by Trustee Horn. <u>Roll call:</u> Yates – Yes, Horn – Yes, Leith – Yes. Motion passed with 3 YES votes.</p>
<p>The Trustees entered back into regular session at 9:06 p.m. The Trustees accepted the resignation of Walnut Township – Thurston Chief Jim Hite effective immediately.</p> <p>The Trustees accepted the resignation of Walnut Township – Thurston Assistant Chief James Carroll effective immediately.</p> <p><u>Parity Pay -</u> Trustee Chairman Yates stated that all firefighters in the Township should be paid at the same rate.</p>	<p>Motion by Trustee Leith second offered by Trustee Horn. <u>Roll call:</u> Yates – Yes – Horn - Yes, Leith – Yes. Motion passed with 3 YES votes.</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Horn, second offered by Trustee Leith. <u>Roll call:</u> Yates – Yes, Horn – Yes, Leith – Yes. Motion passed with 3 YES votes.</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Leith, second by Trustee Horn. <u>Roll call:</u> Yates – Yes, Horn – Yes, Leith – Yes. Motion passed with 3 YES votes.</p>

<p><u>OTA Convention</u> – February 5 – February 8, 2020 at the Ohio Convention Center in Columbus, Ohio. The Trustees invited Chief Bob Price to attend this year.</p>	
<p><u>5725 Blacklick-Eastern Rd. (State Route 204) - Special Meeting</u> scheduled for Friday, January 17, 2020 @ 1:00 p.m.</p>	
<p><u>Mowing bids</u> – Tim needs permission from the Trustees to send out bids for maintenance of the park at Fairfield Beach, Leib’s Island, as well as other parks, two cemeteries. They will advertise on FB, The Buckeye Lake Beacon. Bids to open the week of January 13th and remain open for 2 weeks.</p>	<p>Trustee Horn moved to provide permission to open bids, second offered by Trustee Leith. <u>Roll call:</u> Yates - Yes, Horn – Yes, Leith – Yes. Motion passed with 3 YES votes.</p>
<p><u>BZA Term Limits</u> - Trustee Horn said that Ben Patterson’s 5-year term ended in 2019 and he has agreed to serve another 5-year term ending in 2024. Mark Helms 5-year term also ended in 2019 and he has agreed to another term ending in 2024, however he noted that he would probably resign in 2 years.</p>	<p>Motion by Trustee Horn to accept the BZA members, second offered by Trustee Yates. <u>Roll Call:</u> Yates – Yes, Horn – Yes, Leith – Yes. Motion passed with 3 YES votes.</p>
<p><u>Old Business:</u> Data storage, email hosting and old computers data storage - Trustee Horn suggested that Jeff Schwartz of Innovative Technology Solutions, Ltd. address the Trustees at a future meeting. Therefore, these will be tabled until a later meeting.</p> <p>Property Maintenance Code - The Trustees discussed how to address implementing the PMC. The Trustees want to implement this with priority based on enforcement and focusing on the worst offenders. Trustee Horn contacted Dennis Rose who works for the Village of Amanda as a property maintenance inspector. He would be willing to work with Walnut Township on a limited basis at a rate of \$20.00 per hour. Mayor Henderson from Pleasantville shared how they are implementing the PMC in their Village, by contracting with the Village of Baltimore. He suggested the Trustees contact Teri Wise, Village Administrator in the Village of Baltimore as she is a great information resource.</p>	

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.	Motion by Trustee Horn to adjourn, second by Trustee Leith. <u>Roll call:</u> Yates – Yes, Horn – Yes, Leith – Yes. Motion passed with 3 YES votes.

Trustee Chairman Bill Yates

Trustee Terry Horn

Trustee Doug Leith

Fiscal Officer Jane Baker