

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

WALNUT TOWNSHIP, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OH - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

11420 Millersport Rd., Millersport, OH 43067

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 3, 2024 – 7:00 PM

### **Township Officials present:**

Trustees Terry W. Horn, William R. Yates, and Fiscal Officer (FO) Amy Amspaugh were present. Trustee Douglas G. Leith was absent.

### **Department Heads/Staff present:**

Roads & Parks Supervisor - Nate Wagner; Fire Chief - Robert Price; Zoning Inspector - Mike Berry; Regional Planning Commission Representative - Robert W. Slater II; and Property Maintenance Inspector - Kelly Smith were present.

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Trustee Chairman Yates.

**Number of members of the public present:** 8 as recorded on Sign-in sheets.

## MEETING PROCEEDINGS

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Trustee Horn made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the August 6, 2024 Regular Meeting with corrections. Trustee Yates seconded the motion. The motion passed with 2 yes votes.

Trustee Horn made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the August 22, 2024 Special Trustee Meeting with corrections. Trustee Yates seconded the motion. The motion passed with 2 yes votes. More corrections were made after the approval of minutes. Trustee Horn made motion to approve the corrections made to previous minutes approval. Trustee Yates seconded the motion. The motion passed with 2 votes.

### **Financial Report – Fiscal Officer, Amy Amspaugh:**

Amy stated she and Tammy are working on financial reports from the past few months and will have for the October meeting. Amy has invested some funds into a 7-month CD with Vinton County Bank. Planning to invest more funds into another CD with Star Ohio after more research. Trustee Horn made a motion to give FO authority to invest funds into another CD. Trustee Yates seconded the motion. The motion passed with 2 yes votes.

### **Approval of Checks and Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT's):**

### **Comments from the public:**

A member of the public brought up the need for a new light bulb to be put in a street light, in New Salem behind Church on Water St.

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS

### **Township Fire Department - Chief Robert Price;**

Chief Price stated there were 128 total runs in August 2024.

Chief Price stated he has been working with Acumed to get it up and running. They are trying to figure out since we lost certification with Medicare that some things changed. They are still working with us to try and get back. They are about 100% certain that we can collect from that time we were without.

Chief Price stated he got an email from Gordon ambulance company, that anything we put towards the refurbish of the medic, they will pay us 5% interest on the money we put into it until we take delivery of the truck.

Chief Price stated the road closures and traffic pattern for Luke Bryan concert on September 27<sup>th</sup>. He also stated residence on that road will have access to their home, but concert goers it will be closed to.

**Property Maintenance – Kelly Smith;**

Stated she had a good month, lots of people who were on notice came compliant or working towards becoming compliant. She attended two court hearings in August. Both were given two-year probation to get their stuff cleaned up before anything happens.

**Zoning – Mike Berry**

16 permits issued in August: 3 home, 1 addition; 1 accessory building; 1 deck; 2 sheds; 5 variances; 1 pool; 2 Ag exempt. Issued 16 letters; 6 violations; 10 variances letters; No outstanding fees.

Returned 104 phone calls.

**Parks and Roads Supervisor – Nate Wagner; Parks:**

Folks at Fairfield Beach have asked to use the shelter house parking area for Trunk or Treat on October 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Roads:**

Nate let the Trustees know he was informed this morning that the county is closing Geiger Road between Cattail & New Salem Road, September 16<sup>th</sup> for 1 month for bridge repairs. Then after September 27<sup>th</sup>, they will be closing Bickel Church Road between Millersport & Rt.37 for bridge repairs.

Nate stated that the 2024 road repair project has been completed.

**Regional Planning Commission Representative- Robert Slater II;**

Bob stated that there are two sub divisions activities. There is also a 150-foot radio tower, Mr. Levacy had concern about FFA requirements for a light. That requirement was met, and that request was approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Fairfield Beach Signs update-** Still waiting for company to come out and mark the location for sign post.
2. **Dennison properties cleanup at Lakeside update-** That cleanup is finished.
3. **Dennison Junk Motor Vehicles removal update-** We can call on the 11<sup>th</sup> to towing company to have two vehicles towed, Owner's attorney representative got a certified letter and priority mail. Owner refused certified letter.
4. **Tornado Shelter Update-** Nate stated we got our water test back and we will need to do some treatment. We tested at 9 for Arsenic and it should be lower than 3. Should be doing a punch test by the middle of September.
5. **Salt Storage Facility update-** Has slowed down for now. Contractor has everything should be back in a couple weeks to set hoops & fabric.

6. **Lakeside Stormwater Mitigation Grants-** The three grants need to be submitted. The Ohio One-time Community Investments Program of \$500,000.00 deadline is September 30<sup>th</sup>. Trustee Horn moved that our chairmen, Trustee Yates be the signatory on those three grants when the time comes for that. Trustee Yates seconded that. The motion carried with 2 yes votes.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Additional Comments from the public:** Cathy Fry asked for the location of the tornado shelter. She was informed that it is located on Beaver Dr. between Birch & Cedar Rd. There are plans to have an Open House/Ground breaking ceremony when we are near completion. Nate figures that will be about mid-October.

Trustee Horn made a motion to move into executive session to discuss economic development per ORC 121.22 (G)(8). at 7:56 pm, seconded by Trustee Yates. Amy Amspaugh was invited to be in the executive session. The motion passed with 2 yes votes.

Trustees returned to regular session at 8:08 pm.

**Adjournment:** At 8:09 pm September 3, 2024, Trustee Horn made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Yates seconded the motion. The motion passed with 2 yes votes.

Minutes Recorded By: Amy Amspaugh

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Amy Amspaugh, Fiscal Officer

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William R. Yates, Chairman

Terry W. Horn, Vice Chairman

Douglas W. Leith