OHIO TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

October 10, 2022

The trustees met in regular session with all members present.

Also present were Asst. Chief Jim Watkins, PTFD, Larry Bramlage, Bob Bauer, Carl Humfleet, Joe Nurre, Cindy Cassell, Les Smith and Emily Supinger

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Ms. Niehaus.

Mr. Hinson made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 12, 2022 regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"

Bob Bauer from the Mt. Pisgah United Methodist Church spoke to the trustees about a notice they received regarding a van and a bus on the church property, explaining that the camper bus was allowed to park there as it belongs to a family member of a church member who is visiting due to illness; the van has been removed. The bus will be leaving on October 19.

Asst. Chief Jim Watkins, PTFD gave his report (on file). Reported that there were several calls last month for utility lines being struck during construction; the department has been contacted by a movie production company that will be filming for 5 to 6 days in Ohio Township beginning on October 12. Mr. Vogelsang asked why Pierce Twp. and not Ohio Twp. equipment was at the recent safety event held at the IGA in New Richmond. It was explained that both Ohio Twp. squads were out of service on that day.

Cpl. Doug Scott, CCSO: absent, report on file.

Joe Nurre of 1716 Lindale Nicholsville Rd. reported to the trustees that he is selling his property to his neighbor with closing scheduled around Thanksgiving. Emily Supinger noted that she has invited his attorney to contact her regarding the pending demolition order on the property.

Les Smith gave his zoning report (on file). Reported that B&S Blacktop is planning to begin cleanup and demolition on the Nurre property soon. Emily Supinger explained that a change of ownership does not affect the situation. Ms. Niehaus asked the board how they wanted to proceed. The consensus was to move forward with the cleanup and demolition order. Les Smith also reported that the zoning committee is meeting on November 15 at 6pm to start discussion on solar fields; certified letters are being mailed to property owners affected by the recent zoning change for recreation properties.

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Dave O'Connor was absent and submitted his maintenance report in advance of the meeting (on file).

OLD BUSINESS:

Demolition Update on Nurre Property: Already discussed earlier in the meeting.

Rumpke Addendum: Emily Supinger reported that the requested changes were made by Rumpke. Mr. Hinson reported contacting several neighboring townships and villages and found that trash collection rates are rising everywhere.

Mr. Hinson made a motion to approve the Rumpke contract addendum, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"

COMMUNICATIONS: Bill Gilpin reported receiving a letter from ODOT indicating several traffic signals will be replaced in Amelia and Ohio Township.

NEW BUSINESS:

Amended Appropriations: Bill Gilpin explained the need to amend appropriations in order to open a purchase order for the park walking path resurfacing as the contractor is trying to finish the work prior to winter.

Mr. Hinson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-85 amending appropriations, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"

Zoning Commission Appointment: Mr. Hinson reported receiving a letter of resignation from Dave Bosse on the zoning commission.

Mr. Hinson made a motion to accept Dave Bosse's resignation from the zoning commission, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"

Mr. Hinson made a motion to appoint Ron McGlone to replace Dave Bosse on the township zoning commission to the term expiring in September 2026, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"

2020-2021 Financial Audit: Bill Gilpin reported that the paperwork has been submitted to the state auditor to have the next 3 audits performed by an independent firm to be contracted by the state auditor's office.

Playground Equipment: Ms. Niehaus reported that all work has been completed for the park grant program and reimbursement is being requested; also provided two quotes for playground equipment to be added through the CDBG program. One quote for equipment for young children was \$22,926. Another quote for equipment to be used by 5 to 12 year old children was \$27,988 with a discount for free shipping being provided by the vendor. The consensus was to purchase the equipment for the 5 to 12 year old children. Continued on next page . . .

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Mr. Hinson made a motion to accept the playground equipment quote of \$27,988 with the township paying the difference using ARPA funds, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"

LAW DIRECTOR REPORT:

Nothing additional to report.

Mr. Vogelsang asked how often the township hall is cleaned. Ms. Niehaus noted that it is cleaned every other Wednesday. Mr. Vogelsang reported that the floor is currently messy. Ms. Niehaus asked Mr. Vogelsang how we should manage the situation. Mr. Vogelsang noted that he feels the township needs to be more forceful in dealing with users who do not properly clean up by banning them from future usage or charging a deposit that would be kept if the hall is left dirty. Mr. Hinson noted that he always calls the user right away if the hall is found dirty. Ms. Niehaus asked how the trustees felt about charging a deposit in the future. Mr. Vogelsang indicated he is in favor while Mr. Hinson stated he is against it. Ms. Niehaus indicated she is in favor of charging a deposit if the situation does not improve. The discussion will continue at the November meeting.

Mr. Hinson reported that the dog park in the village is progressing nicely with clearing and fence installation.

Mr. Hinson asked about the township credit card application. Bill Gilpin noted that he is working on it.

Fund balances were discussed.

The following were read and approved with warrants written for same: (payment summary on following page).

Mr. Hinson made a motion to adjourn at 7:26pm, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"