

## OHIO TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

November 13, 2023

The trustees met in regular session with all members present.

Also present were Asst. Chief Jim Watkins, Deputy Halcomb, CCSO, Larry Bramlage, Eddie Williams, James Webb, Jason Barger, Nathan Kinney, Traci Stivers, Les Smith, and Emily Supinger

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mr. Hinson.

***Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 9, 2023 regular meeting, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted "yea"***

Eddie Williams spoke about the property at 2883 St. Rt. 132; the tenant was evicted earlier today. The grass has been cut and the trailer is gone. Dumpsters for property cleanup will be delivered later in the week. Les Smith will monitor the cleanup for zoning compliance.

Traci Stivers of BCW Workforce spoke to the trustees about resources available through the department of labor that assists people and businesses. Resources are available for assistance with employment applications, certifications, training and schooling.

Ryan Feilhauer, CCSO: gave his report (on file). Deputy Halcomb was in attendance and reviewed the report. Mr. Hinson reported that he received a phone call from a resident concerning a suspicious looking car near the park at dusk twice and asked the deputy to request occasional patrol of the area during that time of day.

Asst. Chief Jim Watkins, PTFD gave his report (on file). Reported that the fire training went well on November 4 and thanked Lindale Auto for donating the structure used for the fire training. Also reported meeting with Jason Barger and looking forward to working with him. Mr. Hinson asked about the squad damaged in an accident; response was that it has been taken out of service pending repairs. Mr. Hinson asked if the department was getting a new uniform look similar to the police department; response was that there is a new uniform supplier but no new look.

Les Smith gave his report (on file). Reported receiving a phone call about a loud party on St Rt 132. Deputy Halcomb noted that CCSO did respond to a call about that and did not find any gunfire or loud noises.

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Jason Barger gave his maintenance report (on file). Mr. Hinson asked that a picture and information about Jason Barger be added to the township website so that residents can become familiar with him. Mr. Hinson and Ms. Niehaus noted that the maintenance computer is old and very slow. The consensus was to allow Ms. Niehaus to look for a new laptop for the maintenance department. Mr. Vogelsang asked Jason Barger if he was getting comfortable with everything, response was yes.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*A&A Safety Quote:* Mr. Hinson reviewed a quoted received for installation of the remaining ODOT signage grant program in the amount of \$6,656.23.

***Ms. Niehaus made a motion to accept the bid from A&A Safety in the amount of \$6,656.23, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted “yea”***

*Annual Fire Contract:* Bill Gilpin reported speaking with Chief Wright about the annual fire contract. Using a 3.7% inflationary increase the payment amount agreed upon for 2023 is \$89,560.

***Ms. Niehaus made a motion to pay the 2023 fire contract in the amount of \$89,560, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted “yea”***

*Carson Property Resolutions:* Emily Supinger reviewed the language and purpose of the two resolutions regarding the Carson property.

***Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-92 declaring the property located at 2858 SR 132 to be blighted, vacant and abandoned, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted “yea”***

***Ms. Niehaus made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-93 declaring the property located at 2858 SR 132 to be in an unsafe condition, ordering the removal of the structure located on the property, and assessing the costs thereof, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted “yea”***

*Barger Health Insurance Resolution:* Bill Gilpin reported that there was some miscommunication on the health insurance cost, therefore it will likely need to be addressed at a special meeting in the near future.

Emily Supinger had nothing further to report.

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Mr. Hinson reported that he was contacted by ODOT and one of the old township limit signs was returned to the township.

Fund balances were discussed.

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

***Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to adjourn at 7:19pm, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted "yea"***