

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

## SHARON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10138

Held \_\_\_\_\_

## REGULAR SESSION HELD AT

95 E. Wilson Bridge Road

\_\_\_\_\_20\_\_\_\_\_

November 4, 2020

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The meeting began at 6:30 p.m.

\*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and pursuant to H.B. 197, the meeting was held via web conference, which was available to residents via a web login or a call-in option in order to participate in the meeting.

<b>Roll Call:</b>	Laura Kunze, Chair	Present via web
	John Oberle, Vice Chair	Present via web
	Lindsay Duffey, Trustee	Present via web
	Tony Palmer, Fiscal Officer	Present via web

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Guest Speakers:** None

**Attendance:** Chief Donald Schwind (via web)

**Residents:** Bill Ash, Mary Sue Williams, Pat Kelly

**Approval of Agenda**

Lindsay Duffey moved to approve the agenda. John Oberle seconded. The motion carried.

**RESIDENT COMMENTS**

Mary Sue Williams asked about a potential burning of a house on Mulberry. Chief Schwind will check with Worthington Fire Chief Zambito and provide any updates to residents.

**TRUSTEES****Old Business****Coronavirus Preparedness and Response – Update**

The Township heard back from the County Prosecutor regarding the list of proposed expenditures using the CARES Act funds. The County Prosecutor advised that, with the exception of the police cruiser, all of the expenditures would meet the requirements under the CARES Act. The Township submitted the list to the State Auditor's Office for additional review and feedback. The Township must encumber funds by November 20 and return the unencumbered funds to the County Auditor. The Board will decide by the next meeting so that the funds can be encumbered by the deadline.

**Mount Air Water District - Update**

Counsel for the Mount Air Water District sent assessment notices by certified mail to homes included in the project. The notice contained the process to appeal the assessment.

There was also a recent situation of possible wire fraud where funds did not get to the intended destination for the payment of legal fees. There is a police report and pending investigations. The Water District is working through its insurance and the banks that were involved. Any additional information will be shared during the upcoming Zoom call with Del-Co.

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The investigation is pending, so the Water District must be careful with information that is shared.

**Strategic Plan – Update**

Laura Kunze has been following up with Franklin County Economic Development & Planning regarding a list of inappropriate uses on the remaining OVC parcel. She has also been evaluating the costs of the Township administering zoning. Given the timing of the potential development on the OVC parcel, it appears that best option in short term with respect to the parcel is to continue to work with Franklin County to ensure proper protection for the area.

**Olentangy Valley Center JEDD / TIF Agreements**

The County Auditor has signaled a high value for the property that would be included in the TIF agreement. The developer believes the value should be lower value than the amount signaled by the Auditor. The developer does not want to move forward with the JEDD and the TIF agreements until a resolution reached regarding the values, as the higher values would be material to entering into the agreements.

**Facilities Options – Update**

The Board intends to bring in someone to address what properties are available now to get an idea of potential facilities for Township use. The Board will continue to provide updates and additional information each month before deciding in the spring whether to list the current property.

**Flooding – Update**

Franklin County officials agreed to expand the discussions to include Delaware County on working toward potential solutions. The Trustees are also looking into an outreach effort to residents about planning and preparedness.

**Fire & EMS Services Contract**

Worthington is reviewing the 1994 contract with the Township for the provision of fire and EMS services. Worthington has indicated that it wants to invoke a provision in the contract to renegotiate an increase in the amount paid by Sharon Township residents. John Oberle and Tom Kayati will be reviewing the conditions in the contract and consulting with the County Prosecutor's office.

**Health Insurance Renewal**

The Township received the renewal for its grandfathered health insurance plan. The increase for 2021 is approximately nine percent. The Township will continue looking at other options, but the Board agreed that the increase in the grandfathered plan is likely better than any other option. The Board will ask Todd Weithman to for advice on the renewal options in an upcoming meeting.

**New Business**

None.

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**FISCAL OFFICER****Old Business****Cemetery Fund Reconciliation for 2013 and 2014 - Update**

The reconciliation for the labor costs between the Cemetery Fund and the Road District Fund for 2013 and 2014 is underway.

**New Business**

None.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT****New Business**

None.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT****Old Business****Highview Drive Guardrail – Update**

No update.

**RKW Sanitary Sewer – Update**

No update.

**New Business**

None.

**RESIDENT COMMENTS**

There was a general discussion regarding alarms for notifying residents of flooding in the Township.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

John Oberle moved to approve the October 21, 2020 meeting minutes.  
Laura Kunze seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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With no further business to bring before the Board, Lindsay Duffey moved to adjourn the regular meeting, Laura Kunze seconded. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

11/18/2020  
Date

  
Chair

  
Fiscal Officer