

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

SHARON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR SESSION HELD AT

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held

95 E. Wilson Bridge Road

April 5, 2023

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

Roll Call:	Tony Palmer, Chair	Present
	John Oberle, Vice Chair	Present
	Laura Kunze, Trustee	Present
	Michael Farley, Fiscal Officer	Present

Attendance: Chief Tuchfarber, Supt. Tom Kayati, Legal Counsel Julie Donnan

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge was led by Chair Palmer.

Guest Speakers:

None

Approval of Agenda:

Farley asked that approval of Sedgwick group rating program for the Township be added.

Oberle asked to add a moment of silence for Walter Hogue, former Fiscal Officer.

Kunze asked to add an update about Mt Air-Mulberry.

Supt. Kayati asked to add an update on a downed tree in the Township.

Kunze moved, Oberle seconded the amended agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Resident Comments

None

TRUSTEES

Old Business:

Worthington/Township Fire District - Update

Oberle updated the Trustees on the proposed resolution for the contract with the Fire District.

Oberle provided a background about the original ask of \$1.01 million from the City.

Oberle noted that Farley and Oberle negotiated with the City and have arrived at an agreement.

The City of Worthington voted to adopt the agreement on Monday, April 3, 2023. Oberle recommends that an issue be placed on the ballot in November, 2023 for \$500,000. He then explained the tiered approach in years three, four, or five after approval of the ballot issue in November. If that passes, the City would not be able to request for five more years. Oberle noted the great work of the Township and the City of Worthington.

Farley provided comments explaining the virtues of delaying and tiering the successive phases of the levies.

Palmer noted that there is a Resolution before the Trustees

Palmer asked for a motion to approve Resolution #04052023. Oberle moved, Kunze second the motion. Palmer was designated to sign the Resolution. Motion carried unanimously. The Resolution was adopted.

Oberle noted the participation of the Mayor of Riverlea in the discussions and as a partner.

ARPA Funds Discussion

Palmer explained the components of a plan including premium pay for Township plans.

Palmer asked legal counsel to advise the Township on the matter. Donnan noted that ARPA can use funds for legal fees and the general provision of services.

Farley noted that these funds are subject to federal audit. Donnan noted the availability of sample resolutions and guidance.

Palmer asked for additional requests to be facilitated through Farley.

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New Business:

Receive Notice of Filing of Petition for Annexation for Mount Air Lot 1321 and Mount Air Lot 1324*

Palmer noted that the Notice was presented to the Township. Kunze provided background on the lots and that the lots adjacent were previously annexed. The lots are not buildable individually. Farley noted that Oberle had advised that the Township past practice was to bring these types of notices to the meeting of the Trustees. Palmer noted that the annexation was an Expedited Type 2 application.

Farley will sign as having received the Notice of Filing of Petition for Annexation for both parcels.

Insect Treatment of Township Building

Palmer explained that the Trustee Hall had an infestation of bugs. The Township had a quote and due to the emergency situation, the services have already commenced. \$1800 was the charge for the service and an additional maintenance charge. Palmer asked for approval of the expenditure.

Oberle moved, Kunze seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Sedgwick group rating program for the Township*

Farley asked for approval to sign the BWC information sharing letter for Sedgwick and to enter into the group rating plan with Sedgwick.

Kunze moved, Oberle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Update on Property at Mt. Air-Mulberry

Kunze updated on the access for the street. There has been discussion about blocking the road. Kunze explained that the owner agreed to limit access by building a mound and installing signage. He has committed to do this in May or June.

FISCAL OFFICER

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Moment of Silence of Walter Hogue

Chair Palmer asked those in attendance to recognize a moment of silence for former Township Fiscal Officer Walter Hogue.

POLICE

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Discussion of Franklin County Sheriff's Office Increase of Dispatching Cost

Chief Tuchfarber explained that he has learned that the Franklin County Sheriff's Office is looking to increase the fees associated with dispatch services. For the last two years it was \$11.80 to \$15.99 per call. The Chief provided information about discussions. The Chief estimates that it will cost about \$6,000 additional for the year. This amount was not budgeted. The Chief recommends that the Township stay with Franklin County Dispatch. The Sheriff's Department committed to not bill the new amount for the first three months of the year.

Kunze moved to approve, Oberle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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ROAD and CEMETERY:

Old Business:

Downed Tree

Supt. Kayati updated Trustees on a very large tree that fell during one of the recent storms. The tree fell across a roadway but thankfully did not damage any other property. Kayati and a member of his team removed the tree and cleaned up most of the major remnants.

New Business

2023 Franklin County Township Resurfacing Program*

Kayati provided background on why the 2022 program was delayed. The Franklin County program came in much less expensive than last year. The program is about \$77,000 for the 2023 curb and gutter program.

Palmer moved to have the Township participate in the Franklin County Township Resurfacing Program and not to exceed \$80,000. Kunze seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2023 Road Mileage Certification*

Kayati noted that the Township lost some road in the last year due to an alley being annexed into the City of Columbus on West Street. The mileage is 9.391 of the roads. Kayati needs the certification to be signed.

Oberle moved to approve the certification, Kunze seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Downed Tree Update

Kayati reported that a very large tree was blocking the road. The three to five-foot diameter tree did not cause property damage. Kayati and his staff removed the tree from the road.

Kayati asked to remove a maple tree on the Wilson Bridge Road Township property.

Approval of Minutes:

March 1, 2023: Oberle moved, Palmer seconded. Motion carried unanimously (Kunze did not vote).

March 15, 2023: Kunze moved, Palmer seconded. Motion carried unanimously (Oberle did not vote).

March 23, 2023: Kunze moved, Oberle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

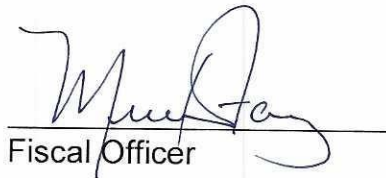
At 7:27 pm, Oberle moved to adjourn, Kunze seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4/19/2023

Date



Chair



Fiscal Officer