

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

SHARON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
REGULAR SESSION HELD AT

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10146

Held 95 E. Wilson Bridge Road _____
February 21, 2024 _____ 20 _____

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

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

Attendance: Supt. Tom Kayati, Chief Tuchfarber

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

Approval of Agenda:
Kunze moved the agenda as presented, Oberle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes
Minutes from February 7, 2024.
Oberle moved approval of the minutes, Kunze seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Resident Comments
A resident discussed an article in the Worthington Spotlight that the City of Worthington had formed a deer task force. The resident encouraged the Trustees to become involved with the task force.
Oberle stated that he would call the City of Worthington to inquire further.

TRUSTEES

Old Business:
Request from Memorial Board of Trustees for Snow Removal--Update
Palmer reported that he did send a request to the County Prosecutor to draft a contract. The contract will be presented to the Memorial Board, once it is received.

2024 Appropriations Budget--Update
Palmer noted that it was underway and it will be available at next meeting.

New Business:
Approve Execution of Contract with Board of Elections to Use Township Administrative Offices for a Polling Location
Palmer explained that the contract must be entered into allowing the Board of Elections to use the facility for the March primary election and the November general election. Oberle inquired if anyone had reviewed the contract. Farley stated that he had read the contract.
Oberle moved to allow the Chair to sign the contract, Kunze seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Appointment to Mount Air Water District
Bill Ash provided an update on the Water District. Generally, matters are going well and there are potential new residents to connect into the system.
Kunze noted that Bill Ash has volunteered to be Treasurer. Lisa Daris looks to join the District Board to fill the open spot. Kunze described Daris' extensive qualifications for the five-year board term.
Palmer noted that a documentary was developed to document the water district. Bill Ash noted that "And Water for All" is on YouTube.
A resolution approving the appointments will be considered at the next meeting.

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February 21, 2024**Page 2 of 3****Adoption of Resolution 02212024 to Permit Township to Transition to OTARMA Faithful Performance of Duty Coverage**

Farley reviewed information provided at the last meeting. The coverage is more extensive than the coverage for a surety bond. Farley noted that Burnham & Flower (insurance agent) informed him that premiums for surety bonds are increasing. Farley noted that this coverage would be added to the existing OTARMA insurance coverage.

Kunze moved for adoption of the resolution, Oberle seconded the resolution. The resolution was adopted unanimously.

FISCAL OFFICER**Old Business:**

None

New Business:**January Credit Card Statement**

Farley presented the credit card statement to Chair Palmer to review.

Distribution of Annual Financial Report and Discussion of Compliance Issue

Farley explained that the outside accountant discovered a compliance issue that was noted on the Annual Financial Report. The compliance issue dealt with moving funds for the advance to the police department in FY 2023. Farley was unaware that an additional appropriation was needed. Farley explained that he has adjusted practices to ensure that this type of compliance issue does not occur again. Farley expressed a desire to be completely transparent with the mistake. Farley noted that the Township will have the financials audited next year and that this compliance violation will likely be noted in the audit.

Palmer noted that Farley inherited the issue of the advancement from the previous Fiscal Officer's predecessor. Palmer thanked Farley for bringing the issue to the Trustee's attention.

POLICE**Old Business:**

None

New Business:**Trustee Approval for Repairs to Cruiser 196 in the amount of \$5,894.72**

Chief Tuchfarber previously informed the Trustees of the expense at the last meeting. Chief Tuchfarber explained the need for the approval and the need to potentially move appropriation authority inside the fund to cover the expense. Farley noted that he had the authority under the existing resolution if the move is needed. Tuchfarber noted that he has asked Sgt. Grant to investigate whether other repair shops may be less expensive for future repairs.

Kunze moved to approve the expenditure, Oberle seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ROAD and CEMETERY:**Old Business:****Rossllyn/Kanawha/Westview Sanitary Sewer--Update**

Supt. Kayati had a meeting today at the work location. A line across Olentangy Blvd will need to be rerouted. Locating this line has caused a delay. The line will need a boar pit across Rossllyn. Olentangy Blvd will be closed for sixty days. The resident noted there could be an access issue and Kayati noted that there would be some access.

The County has communicated with most of the neighbors about the access points on the respective properties. The contractors have some flexibility as to location.

There are "no parking" signs in the work area.

Kayati discovered that there is a need to add repaving of the ends of the streets and the County is remedying the plan.

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Residents asked how long the project would last. It was stated that the project would last at least one year.

Residents asked for clarification about road closings during the project. And residents requested the timeline for the staging of the project. Kayati noted that the County promised something similar to the timeline.

Kayati did remind residents that the Township is not running the project and he is not receiving regular updates.

Resident sought clarification about residents tying into the system. Kayati noted that the City of Columbus must approve the process and the timing is uncertain. Kunze noted that there would likely be a twelve-month timeframe from notification.

Kunze and Oberle noted that the County was supposed to have a second meeting. Kayati explained that this meeting will likely occur after the project is completed and it is known if funds will be available to assist residents with hook up.

Kunze said that she would call the County to work through some of the communications issues.

A resident asked if they could put up a message board to put out information. There was no objection to this request.

A resident asked if the appropriate parties like the schools, garbage removal, and the fire department have been contacted. Kayati has encouraged this communication and is assisting.

A resident stated that they have a vacant lot and that he would be willing to offer the lot to place pipes and other project needs. Kayati will put the resident in touch with the contractors. Kayati noted that the contractors are attempting to work with a variety of parking solutions.

326 Rosslyn Avenue Water Line Replacement—Update

Kayati noted that a catch basin was found and it was not harmed as discussed at the last meeting. The catch basin was covered up after discovering.

Zoning Adjustment for Edgecliff Drive Property (with Sidewalks)—Update

In a follow up to the previous meeting, Kayati noted that he called the property owner to convey that the Township does not approve of the proposed changes.

New Business

None

Kunze noted that a petition is being circulated to get trucks removed from Rt. 315. Kunze is looking to start communication on the matter.

Oberle announced that the JEDD Board will meet on March 1, 2024.

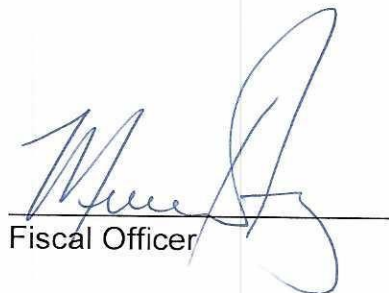
Oberle moved to adjourn the meeting, Kunze seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17pm.

3/6/2024

Date



Chair



Fiscal Officer