

7:40 P.M.

March 7

2023

The first meeting of the month was held in the Town Hall meeting room with Ruehr, Jr. (Frank R.), and Ronald Kotkowski (Ron K.). The Trustees from here on out will be addressed as the BOT (Board of Trustees), and Fiscal Officer, Jill Corbett present. Chairman, Frank Ruehr, Jr. called the meeting to order.

Others present –Dean Engelhart, Lloyd Harper, Jr., Greg Benner, Beth Clark, Karen Brugmann, Cheryl Bascombe, Trevor Bascombe, Raymond Ristau, Bonnie Ristau, and Ryan Lind.

Visitor; Trevor Bascombe had questions for Ron K. concerning Lakeside Sand & Gravel how the work is progressing on Frost Rd. where the conveyor is located. Ron said they have a lot of work to do, and will be working on the south side of Frost Rd. They will also put covers over the conveyor to hold down the dust and noise. Trevor also asked about the two conveyor buildings that are set on Frost Rd. He wanted to know if they can be moved until Lakeside is ready to install the over the road conveyor. Ron will bring it up at their weekly meeting to see if they can be set back away from the road and out of site. Ron informed the concerned, visitors that Lakeside has the proper insurance and safety programs they follow to keep all their construction sites as safe as possible, also all areas they are working in are posted No Trespassing.

Visitor; Bonnie Ristau had a question that was brought up at the Land Use meeting concerning the over flowing creek that runs under the Turnpike and St. Rt. 303. It became a problem when the Army Corp of Engineer had the Shelly Co. change the dept of the river. It now is high, and flooding the neighboring properties. When it was brought up to Arm Corp of Engineering, they don't feel that this was a problem. The flooding now is reaching Coit Rd. The Army Corp. Engineer told the neighbors they have the right to sue them. The Trustees have reached out to the County and State Representatives over this issue. Since it now is reaching Coit Rd., Ron will contact the Portage County Engineers to see if they can do anything.

Dean Engelhart, Road Supervisor reported on the following:

1. Dean asked the BOT if he could have a sign made up for Riverside Cemetery stating the rules of the cemetery. The BOT agreed this needs to be done, and asked Dean to put together what it should say.
2. Dean requested funds to purchase a new mower for the cemeteries. The cost from Marshall Power Equipment is \$7,808.90. Frank R. made a motion to spend up to \$8,000.00 to purchase a new mower. Ron K. seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows; Frank Ruehr, Jr., Yes, and Ronald Kotkowski, Yes.
3. Dean asked if they can purchase poles at the entrance and exits at the garage to support a cable. This will be looked at later in the year.

Greg Benner, Shalersville Zoning Inspector reported on the following:

1. Greg informed the BOT that he had no new permits.
2. He informed the BOT that the Carrie Crowder JMV violations case has been settled and has become compliant.
3. The Bender JMV and Junk Violations had a status hearing. The Magistrate had Mr. Bender, Greg, and the County Prosecuting Attorney meet prior to going into court. They gave him an extension of 30 days to become compliant. He has started this process.
4. Greg had a complaint over the trailer park on Infirmary Rd. This is handled by the Ohio State Commerce Department. The township has no authority over trailer parks. Greg informed the resident that he should start with the Park Management, then he can go to the Ohio Dept. of Commerce.
5. Greg has been keeping the BOT up to date on the HB52, Solar and Wind farms. Greg contacted Chris Meduri over the BOT moratorium for 9 months to not have any of these farms in our township with the exception of residential use. Chris didn't feel like this moratorium would stand up in court. He suggested they reach out to the Portage County Commissioners. Ron K. has contacted one of the Commissioners requesting a meeting to put a moratorium on these farms also. Greg did mention that a resident of the township has had two companies reach out to lease his property.

Jill Corbett, Fiscal Officer reported on the following:

1. Jill had the flyer for the Earth Day Recycling Event on Saturday, April 22nd. from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Portage County Recycling 3588 Mogadore Rd. Kent, OH 44240 for collections of latex paint, passenger tires, and electronics. The township Spring Clean up is scheduled for May 4th, 7:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m., May 5th. 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. and May 6th. 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
2. The township received from the Portage County Budget Commission the approval for the Alternative Formula for Local Government Fund Distribution for 2024-2033. This is based on population and Shalersville share will be approximately \$49,000.00 per year.

Ronald Kotkowski, Trustee reported on the following:

1. Ron informed the BOT that the township has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$134,797.00 for a walking trail by the ODNR (Ohio Department of National Resources).

- 2. Ron K. made a motion to temporarily have the Regular Trustee Meeting time changed from 8:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Frank R. seconded the motion. Roll call was as follows; Frank Ruehr, Jr., Yes, and Ronald Kotkowski, Yes.
- 3. Ron announced a Pancake Breakfast is being held at the Town Hall on March 18th. from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. being hosted by the Mantua Luthern Church.

Frank Ruehr, Jr., Trustee Chairman reported on the following:

- 1. Frank would like the BOT to move forward with the proposed drive and parking lot for the Shalerville Park. He will contact Hal Stamm, the engineer on this project who has put together the drawings and necessary paperwork. The BOT will also look at seeding the ground, laying out the new walking trail. Frank also would like to move forward with a new dugout and backstop for the front baseball field. He would like to have this to be dedicated to Bob Corbett who gave a nice donation to the township in his Last Will & Testament.
- 2. Frank informed the BOT that RITA who is handling the JEDD income tax is starting to collect monies.
- 3. Frank signed the contract for Republic Services to supply the dumpsters for Spring Clean up. He asked Dean to go ahead and get them scheduled.

Fank R. made a motion to pay bills. Ron K. seconded the motion. The roll call was follows: Frank Ruehr, Jr., and Ronald Kotkowski, Yes.

Jill Corbett presented the BOT with the February Bank Reconciliation with a total of \$1,623,759.54. Jill had the Withholding Taxes for the IRS, OPERS, and the State of Ohio.

IRS	\$ 1,928.12
Ohio Treasurer of State	\$ 373.71
OPERS	\$ 3,747.50
25236 Mantua Auto Parts	\$ 72.54
25237 Mantua Hardware Lawn and Garden	\$ 159.99
25238 Waste Management	\$ 224.78
25239 Airgas USA	\$ 21.82
25240 Aris Company	\$ 216.60
25241 Pattern Metals	\$ 98.00
25242 Copley Ohio Newspaper	\$ 69.00
25243 Lawnmatters	\$ 4,256.00
25244 Porage County Health Dept.	\$ 1,000.00
25245 Beverly Collins	\$ 100.00
25246 Laura Kollat	\$ 100.00
	\$ 12,368.06

No further business, Chairperson, Frank Ruehr, Jr. directed the meeting to be adjourn at 8:35 p.m

Frank Ruehr, Jr., Trustee Chairman

Jill Corbett, Fiscal Officer