

8:00 P.M.

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

Others present –Dean Engelhart, Lloyd Harper, Maude Bias, Cindy and Howard Mishler.

John K. made a motion to dispense with the reading of the October 5, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes , and to approve as written. Frank R. seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried.

Frank R. made a motion to dispense with the reading of the October 5, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes , and to approve as written. John K. seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried.

Maude Bias, Secretary of the Shalersville Zoning Commission reported on the following:

1. Maude present to the BOT the following Amendments that the Zoning Commission approved and is presenting to the BOT to hold a Special Meeting on. The Amendments are as follows:

Amendment 1

Add in Section 331 Permitted Uses

E. Backyard Chickens

Amendment 2

Amend: Section 339 Non-Permitted Use

Trustees,

In a special public meeting on October 14, 2021, the Shalersville Township Zoning Commission approved to adopt the amendments heard; the amendments were reviewed by Regional Planning, and were amended by the Zoning Commission. The following proposed amendments are submitted to the Shalersville Township Trustees for review and recommendations of the following proposed amendments.

New language is **Italic bold underline**, removed language is ~~struck through~~.

Amendment 1 – Amend Section 331 Permitted Uses

E. Backyard Chickens

It shall be unlawful to place or maintain backyard chickens in any area unless the following conditions and requirements are met:

1. **No more than six (6) backyard chickens are permitted per dwelling unit.**
2. **Roosters are prohibited.**
3. **Other poultry or fowl are prohibited. No person may own or keep any other fowl, including but not limited to pigeons, ducks, quail, geese, or turkeys.**
4. **Backyard chickens are required to be located within a designated chicken coop and chicken run that shall meet the following requirements:**
 - a. **The chicken coop and chicken run shall be located rear or backyard of parcel.**
 - b. **The coop shall have a minimum ten feet (10') setback from the rear property line, and five feet (5') setback from the side property line as defined in Section 333.**

Amendment 2 – Amend Section 339 Non-Permitted Use

- A. Farm Animals are a non-permitted use in the R-2 District; this includes, but not limited to horses, cows, pigs, sheep, goats, fowl, fox and donkeys. Exceptions; **backyard chickens (as described in Section 331)**, and including 4-H projects and ~~or~~ other established youth programs shall be addressed by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The BOT will hold a Special Meeting on November 2, 2021 at 7:30 to discuss the above Amendments.

Visitor, Howard Mishler was at the meeting to present to the BOT his resume, and his interest to be considered as an Alternate Board member to the Shalersville Township Zoning Appeals Board. Frank R. made a motion to appoint Howard Mishler as the Alternate Board Member to the Shalersville Township Zoning Appeals Board. He will take Nancy Vines spot, and his term will run to September of 2022. Ron K. seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried.

Dean Engelhart, Road Supervisor reported on the following:

1. Dean will replace the catch basin at the school next week.
2. Dean brought to the attention to the BOT the need to cut back about ¼ of mile of the trees on Work Rd. to get more sunlight on the road. He can rent a lift and Lloyd and himself can do the work. The BOT agreed this needs to be done.

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Jill Corbett, Fiscal Officer had nothing to reported.

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

1. Frank informed the BOT that the chip and seal project on Frost Rd. went over by \$1809.60 due to the edge of the roads being broke down. Frank made a motion to pay for the extra \$1,809.60 for a total of \$55,756.80. Ron K. seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried.
2. Frank met with Mike Collins from the Portage County Engineer Dept. over the possible State of Ohio Grant for paving roads. We will be submitting the paperwork to have Cooley Rd. considered for this Grant. Mike explained that to have the roads paved, the cost are running about 150K a mile for paving.
3. Frank had submitted to Attorney, Tonya Rogers our proposal for an open air park project for the ARPA Federal Grant. We submitted a new parking lot, walking trail, new playground equipment, a new backhoe and two mowers for maintence. Tonya sent an opinon letter agreeing that the project would fit the requirments that the grant requires with the exceptions of the equipment. The mowes were a no go, but the backhoe was a grey area. The grant does mentioned storm water run off, and it would be up to the township disgression if we purchase a backhoe for this reason. Frank called CAT, John Deere, and Miners Tractor Sales. John Deere said that it was possible to get a 100 HP Mercury Backhoe new in March of 2022 for \$97,144.00. Miners had a two year old New Holland 100 HP on the lot that has not been sold. Their price was \$96,000.00. Frank explained that he could wait and get a 2022 new one from John Deere for one more thousand. Miners came back with the cost of \$86,000.00. This is a STS State Bid, so we are getting the lowest price available. Frank made a motion to purchase the New Holland backhoe for \$86,000.00. Ron K. seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried. The township will keep their 1991 backhoe for all other work for the township.
4. Frank spoke with Kevin at AeroMark about stripping Frost Rd., he will be giving us a quote for stripping the middle lines.

John Kline, Trustee reported on the following:

1. John spoke with Todd Peetz, Director of Portage County Regional Planning about donating \$3,711.32 from the township CARES Grant for 4 computers for their offices for Zoom Meetings. John made a motion to give Regional Planning \$3,711.32 to purchase the needed computers. Frank R. seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried.
2. The BOT also discussed the balance of the CARES Grant monies, \$14,782.17 to be given to the Mantua-Shalersville Fire Department, and the Portage County Sheriff Department. John will contact the Sheriff Department, if they have a need for these monies for COVID related items.
3. John also spoke with the Sheriff Department concerning properties that is being vandalized and theft going on in the township. The Sheriff Department will monitor the situations and will put up cameras and increasing patrols around the area.

Ronald Kotkowski, Trustee reported on the following:

1. Ron has spoke with Todd Peetz over the Grants that the township has applications in for the park expansion. Todd has not to date heard yet on these grants.
2. Ron informed the BOT that Richard Bonner purchased the Mesko property north of Streeter Rd. Ron contacted Mr. Bonner about donating the school house located on the property to the Shalersville Township Historical Society. Mr. Bonner agreed to this. Ron will head up this project to have the house moved to the Shalersville Historical site once it is available.
3. Ron brought up the issue of the school students drop off and pick up traffic at the school. The BOT decided to widen the north drive around the Shalersville Historical Society house. The road crew will do this work.
4. The Community Pot luck dinner will be held Sunday, October 24th. at 1:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The Portage County Celebrate Portgage will donate \$500.00 for this dinner. Ron will pick up the needed food, drinks and paper products from this donation. Sam Eisele will donate the silverware.

Frank R. made a motion to pay the bills. Ron K. seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried.

	Colonial Life	\$	124.08
	Internal Revenue Service	\$	434.16
24493	Sam Eisele	\$	325.76
24494	Dean Engelhart	\$	1,707.82
24495	Lloyd Harper Jr.	\$	1,231.65
24496	Harold Horner	\$	26.41

24497	Ohio Edison	\$ 1,314.76
24498	Cintas	\$ 465.55
24499	De Lage Landen Financial Services	\$ 86.37
24500	Lowe's	\$ 124.23
24501	Beaver Petroleum	\$ 1,114.53
24502	Mantua Hardware Lawn and Garden	\$ 20.27
24503	Ballentine Sand & Gravel	\$ 13.20
24504	Waste Management of Ohio	\$ 426.54
24505	Auburn Pipe & Plumbers	\$ 1,549.06
24506	Miner's Tractor Sales	\$ 72.50
24507	Akron Tractor & Equipment	\$ 26.63
24508	Municipal Signs & Sales, Inc.	\$ 93.00
24509	SDC	\$ 336.08
24510	Harner Plumbing Inc.	\$ 862.50
24511	N.E.S. Corp	\$ 55,756.80
24512	Roberts General Excavating LLC	\$ 1,500.00
24513	VISA	\$ 361.76
24514	Kaitlyn Phillips	\$ 100.00
24515	Jill Corbett	\$ 39.60
24516	Jill Corbett	\$ 100.00
		\$ 68,213.26

Frank Ruehr, Jr. made a motion to go into Executive Session under R.C. 121.22 (G) for personnel matters (appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of public employee or official, investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee or official. Ron K. seconded the motion.

The Roll Call was as follows:

Frank Ruehr, Jr.	Yes
John Kline	Yes
Ronald Kotkowski	Yes

Frank Ruehr, Jr. made a motion to come out of Executive Session and to come back into the Regular Meeting. Ron K. seconded the motion.

The Roll Call was a follows:

Frank Ruehr, Jr.	Yes
John Kline	Yes
Ronald Kotkowski	Yes

Frank R. stated that employee, Lloyd Harper Jr. completed his 6 month probation period. Frank R. made a motion to increase Lloyd's pay by \$1.00 bring his hourly rate to \$19.50 per hour. The raise will be effected as of October 1, 2021. His November 2, pay will reflect the retroactive pay for the \$1.00 increase for the two pay periods Lloyd was paid in October.

No further business, Chairperson, Ronald Kotkowski directed the meeting to be adjourn at 9:19 p.m.

Ronald Kotkowski, Chairman

Jill Corbett, Fiscal Officer