

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
REGULAR SESSION – APRIL 12, 2022 @ 7:00 P.M.
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Jeff Hunker called the meeting to order.

OFFICIALS ATTENDING:

Jeff Hunker, Gregg Moorhead, Evan Stump, Melissa Ellerbrock and Gene Cole

GUEST ATTENDING:

See sign in sheet

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Gregg Moorhead moved to accept the minutes of the March 9, 2022 meeting. Evan Stump seconded the motion. Vote: Moorhead – yes, Stump – yes, Hunker – yes. Motion carried.

ZONING INSPECTOR'S REPORT:

Gene Cole presented the Trustees with his monthly report (see attached).

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

Brian Young presented the Trustees with his monthly report (see attached).

Chief Young introduced Brad Tennant, son-in-law of Capt. Todd Lee. Chief Young said he is interested in becoming a member of the fire department and was hoping the Trustees would hire him. Brad spoke a little about himself and said that he wants to help out. His wife is currently a member of the auxiliary. Jeff Hunker asked Brad if he was in a position to be involved and able to give time to the department. Mr. Tennant said yes is very available.

Evan Stump moved to hire Brad Tennant to the Liberty Township Fire Department. Gregg Moorhead seconded the motion. Vote: Stump – yes, Moorhead – yes, Hunker – yes. Motion carried.

Chief Young informed the Trustees that he will be having another knee surgery and he will keep them posted when he knows more.

There was discussion regarding the possibility of paying run call gas reimbursement payments out in 2 installments for those who request it. The Trustees were ok with that, so Chief Young will get the list of people requesting payment to the Fiscal Officer to be paid in the May 2022 meeting.

Evan Stump brought up the possibility at looking at a contract for fireman for the 36-hour training course. He suggested having the fireman be responsible for reimbursement for the training costs if they leave the department or do not pass or follow thru with the training. Evan said it could be a two-year contract and reimbursement could be scaled. For instance, if they leave before two years, full reimbursement would be required and it could be scaled back after that two years. Gene Cole and Evan Stump are going to work on coming up with something and will present it for review.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

Oral Communications:

Troy Westhoven with Premier Patching was present to address the Trustees. He discussed the services he could provide the township in regards to rating the roads for pavement and repairs. He said they can offer a road survey that would enable the township to budget for work in the future. The roads would be rated on a scale of 1-10 with 10 being the best. He said they do not do tar and chip and that they have partnered with Sealmaster for a process using liquid road. He said this has a longer life than fog seal and could be a good option for subdivisions because it dries quicker and slows down the deterioration of the pavement. Some further discussion followed regarding some of the work they have done with other townships. Gregg Moorhead said he was willing to have Premier Patching take a look at the roads and Evan Stump and Jeff Hunker agreed. Mr. Westhoven said he could have it done by the next meeting for the Trustees to review.

Written Communications:

The following items were circulated:
OPERS Employer Account Statement
Letter from Ohio Gas Association
Governmental Solutions Magazine
Notice of renewal of liquor license
Grassroots Clippings Newsletter

OLD BUSINESS:

Gene Cole reported the following:

The mowing tractor is in.

Road tile on TR 83 was jetted

Will be scheduling pump tests soon

Atlantic Emergency Solutions is having an open house on May 5th

Speed study on TR 94 is done and did not call for changing the speed limit- will keep the study on file

Gene included the ORC for vacating street – if Mr. Kaple on Congress Drive wanted to do that he would need to get a petition and bring it to the Trustees.

Gene Cole's contract for Zoning Inspector/Operations Manager was reviewed by the Trustees. Greg Moorhead moved to approve the contact as presented. Evan Stump seconded the motion. Vote: Moorhead – yes, Stump – yes, Hunker – yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Gene Cole talked to the Trustees about the purchase of a berm box. He said it is a one-person operation and Marion Township has one and they love it. Trustees approved the purchase of the berm box.

Received an estimate on gutter work- Trustees in favor of getting work done.

Gene Cole said Steve Schoonover wanted to be sure it was still ok for him to cut across the road to fix his

drainage issue. The Trustees gave him permission last year but he wanted to make sure it was still ok. The Trustees all said yes, it was still ok for Mr. Schoonover to do the work.

Brief discussion was had regarding the use of the ARPA funds. Jeff Hunker said he thinks it should be used for work that the Township would not typically do.

Evan Stump moved to adopt Resolution 12-2022 authorizing the increase of the ARPA Revenue Budget. Gregg Moorhead seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Stump – yes, Mr. Moorhead – yes, Mr. Hunker – yes. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding talks of annexation. There are talks of the City of Findlay annexing parts of Liberty Township. Jeff Hunker said he does not want to see the township disappear and feels that we need to be proactive. Evan Stump said it seems the City wants to be selective in what they want to annex and could see them going for subdivisions such as Hillcrest and Western Meadows. All the Trustees agreed that taking a proactive approach is what needs to be done. Jeff Hunker mentioned reaching out to Heidi with the Ohio Township Association for some guidance.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS:

Monthly financial reports were distributed to the Trustees.

Evan Stump moved to adopt Resolution #11-2022, Authorizing payment of purchase orders. Gregg Moorhead seconded the motion. Vote: Stump – yes, Moorhead – yes, Hunker – yes. Motion carried.

Gregg Moorhead moved to authorize the Fiscal Officer to prepare warrants to pay the Township bills. Evan Stump seconded the motion. Vote: Moorhead – yes, Stump – yes, Hunker – yes, Motion carried. See attached warrant register for bills that were paid.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business before the Trustees, Jeff Hunker moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 pm.

ATTEST:


Melissa Ellerbrock, Fiscal Officer


Jeff Hunker, Chairman


Evan Stump, Trustee


Gregg Moorhead, Vice Chairman

Monthly Zoning Report

Liberty Township - Gene Cole

FROM | 3/1/2022
TO | 3/31/2022

DATE	PERMIT NO.	NAME - ADDRESS	VALUE	FEE	NOTES
3/2/2022	22-2-2	325 Claifornia ave. Brenda frankart	\$60,000.00	50.00	288 sq ft addition
3/8/2022	22-8-2	1752 Tiki street Kara Parker	\$7,000.00	30.00	Fence
3/8/2022	22-8-3	2940 St. Andrews Drive Blaine maag	n/a	30.00	Fence
3/8/2022	22-9-2	1924 Yarrow Court	\$3,000.00	0.00	deck permit
3/9/2022	22-8-4	1710 Bayhill Dr. Charles Mathies	5,000.00	30.00	Fence
3/10/2022	22-9-2	325 California Ave. Brenda Frankart	\$15,000.00	\$30.00	deck permit
3/17/2022	22-1-7	9701 Early Drive Jim Mace	\$549,000.00	250.00	new home
3/18/2022	22-7-3	10254 cr 95 findlay Rettig	\$100,000.00	200.00	accessory building
3/22/2022	22-1-8	9250 Heigel Drive	\$380,000.00	250.00	new home
3/22/2022	22-1-9	9236 Heigel Drive	\$380,000.00	250.00	new home
3/22/2022	22-7-4	William forster	\$7,500.00	50.00	accessory building
3/22/2022	22-11-1	Findlay Warehousing	n/a	250.00	Site plan review
3/25/2022	22-8-4	Tyler Beckley 1015 Inverness Dr.	\$5,700.00	30.00	Fence
3/28/2022	22-1-10	roger best 9304 colonel Drive	\$280,000.00	250.00	new home
3/28/2022	22-1-11	frena construction colonel drive lot 15	\$250,000.00	250.00	new home
3/31/2022	22-8-5	2414 West Sandusky Brandt	2100	30.00	fence
TOTAL				\$1,980.00	



Fire Department Headquarters:

9975 TR # 89 Findlay, Ohio 45840

Liberty Township Trustee's April 2022 Report

Fire Calls March - 24
Medical - 19
Injury Accidents - 1

Total Calls 2022 - 86
Fire Calls - 3
Other - 83

New Membership - Brad Tennant. Son in law of Capt. Todd Lee.

Old News - Rescue Tools have arrived. Setting up a training date to use them.

- Reverse Raffle coming along. Still have tickets available. April 29th 7pm.
- Ladies Auxiliary is up and running. 8 current members. Lt. Morton and Captain Lee heading it up. Doing a great job.
- Uniforms have been ordered. Original estimate was approximately \$7,000. Came in at around \$4,500. Would like to add uniform pants also. After recent funerals, other departments have complete set and looked great. With pants our total would be approximately \$7,500. I am requesting the extra \$500.00 to do pants to complete the uniforms.
- Still waiting on turn out gear ordered from last year. Once that is here, we are going to do a complete inventory of gear so we can finish last 2 or 3 firefighters. We will be pricing jumpsuits. Normally order 5 sets of turn out gear, would like to order 10 to 15 jumpsuits for medical personnel and officers.
- Herb Stump received his 50 year plaque at monthly business meeting. Posted on social media and I contacted the Courier. Herb seemed very surprised and humbled by the plaque.
- Received a revised version of Emergency plan for Hancock County Education and Alternative Opportunity Center. Available if you would like to see updates.
- Still waiting for final cost of 'I AM RESPONDING' for our department. 3 years.

New News - Have a request from Asst. Chief Andrews for run call gas payment to be paid out in July for those that request it. Would like input from Melissa if this is possible.

- Request from Lieutenant Morton on station upgrade with murals. Pictures were sent via email prior to last months meeting.

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