

**LIBERTY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES  
REGULAR SESSION – MAY 11, 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 April 12 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 presented the Trustees with the Uniform SOP. There was further discussion on badges and at what point do they feel a fireman would be entitled to keep their badge. Evan Stump suggested after 15 years of service the fireman be allowed to keep their badge if they so choose. The other Trustees agreed and Chief Young said he would have that added into the SOP.

Evan Stump moved to approve the submitted Uniform SOP with the modification to the SOP to include after 15 years of service the fireman may keep their badge if so desired. Gregg Moorhead seconded the motion. Vote: Stump – yes, Moorhead – yes, Hunker – yes. Motion carried.

There was brief discussion on the hose drying rack. Chief Young said he will get an estimate and bring it to the Trustees for review.

Chief Young noted that the trucks will be getting pump tests and also Truck 525 will be going to Toledo Tarp to look at getting a better tarp on it.

Chief Young informed the Trustees that his surgery has been moved up to May 26<sup>th</sup>. He will keep them updated on that.

Brandon Andrews talked about attending the FDIC and said they looked at some trucks and were impressed with several. He said he has some information for the Trustees to look at. He also talked about a new AED machine which is much smaller and seems ideal.

Jeff Hunker asked Chief Young what the department intentions are with the money raised by the reverse raffle that was held. Chief Young said the Association needs to meet and figure out what they would like to use it for. The Association would like to hold a family fun day or a pancake breakfast for the residents of the township possibly.

Discussion on the murals proposed for the fire department. The Trustees said maybe the Association could pay for half of the cost of having those done. The Trustees asked for a new estimate to be done for the bay area and they would discuss again.

Some further discussion was had regarding policy SOP's for the fire department. In regards to inactive members and training and testing reimbursement policies. Chief Young is going to check with some other departments to see how they handle some of these things and report back.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

#### **Oral Communications:**

Mark Kowalski, Liberty Benton Superintendent, was present to give an update the school progress. He stated that there will be an online auction starting and will go through May 18<sup>th</sup>. The high school offices will be moving to the middle school on June 6<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Kowalski said that the graduation will be held in the stadium and the rain location is Gateway Church. He stated that the project is on schedule.

#### **Written Communications:**

The following items were circulated:

Flyers from Kalida Truck

Letter from National Lime & Stone Co regarding pricing

Letter from Fifth Third Bank regarding account updates

Letter of termination with Volunteer Energy

Grassroots Clippings Newsletter

Flyer from Streacker Tractor

Ohio Township News Magazine

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Gene Cole is going to contact Scott Belcastro with Treble to see where we are at with the aggregate program.

TR 128- Schoonover crossing- work is done and is working good.

Gene Cole said he was going to talk with Scott Hartman on Gleneagle. The township agreed to pay some of the cost to fix his drainage issue but need to talk to him about his bills he turned in. The township did not agree to pay for his driveway repairs. Gene Cole will contact Mr. Hartman regarding this matter.

Discussion was held regarding insurance and the need to increase our coverage to replacement costs on the vehicles. Jeff Hunker said he would contact OTARMA for some advice on getting this done.

Gene Cole said he got a quote for plow truck and he was told it would be a year and a half out.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Gene Cole said he got a quote from M & B Asphalt on the front parking lot. This quote is good only if M & B Asphalt get the County job.

Greg Moorhead moved to approve the paving of the front parking lot per the quote provided by M & B Asphalt. Evan Stump seconded the motion. Vote: Moorhead – yes, Stump – yes, Hunker – yes. Motion carried.

Received the report from Premier Patching Inc. to review. The Trustees are going to review this and discuss at the next meeting.

Jeff Hunker discussed the need for some legal advice/guidance regarding annexation. Mr. Hunker contacted Albers and Albers Attorneys-at-Law as recommended by the Ohio Township Association. Mr. Hunker also spoke with Cindy Land, Hancock County Prosecutor, and she agreed that this would be a good idea and would like to be included in talks as well. Jeff Hunker stated that there are a lot of questions when it comes to annexation that we just need answers to before it is too late.

Gregg Moorhead moved to retain Albers and Albers Attorneys-At-Law to assist in these matters. Evan Stump seconded the motion. Moorhead – yes, Stump – yes, Hunker – yes. Motion carried.

Evan Stump mentioned checking into a Community Demo Grant. He said he learned about this at the Township Conference and it could possible save the taxpayers and the school some money when it comes to demolishing the old Liberty Benton School.

Evan Stump also asked about the range of the tornado sirens. He suggested contacting Capital Electronics Inc. and looking into any grants for this.

Discussion followed regarding starting the process of looking at fire trucks and figuring out what the needs are. The truck committee with begin to work on getting some trucks to look at.

**FINANCIAL BUSINESS:**

Monthly financial reports were distributed to the Trustees.

Gregg Moorhead moved to adopt Resolution #13-2022, Authorizing payment of purchase orders. Evan Stump seconded the motion. Vote: Moorhead – yes, Stump – 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 10:20 pm.

**ATTEST:**



**Melissa Ellerbrock, Fiscal Officer**



**Jeff Hunker, Chairman**



**Evan Stump, Trustee**



**Gregg Moorhead, Vice Chairman**



Fire Department Headquarters:

9975 TR # 89 Findlay, Ohio 45840

## Liberty Township Trustee's May 2022 Report

Fire Calls April - 35  
Medical - 26  
Injury Accidents - 3

Total Calls to date 2022 - 122  
Fire Calls - 1 (Allen Twp)  
Other - 5 (Coverage and calls for Allen Twp and Jenera)

- Old News - Reverse Raffle - Great Night. Met Goal. Ladies Auxiliary did a GREAT JOB!
- 2021 Turn Out gear has arrived. 5 ½ sets. Evaluating what is needed for next round.
  - Uniform shirts, badges, name tags and collar brass have arrived and started handing out. Fitting for uniform pants will be Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30p.
  - Still need Trustee's approval or denial of murals. Need approval for money.
  - Asst. Chief Andrews has put out sign up sheet for those who want gas payment for past 6 months. He is working with Melissa on that.
  - County Chiefs have voted and agreed to do 5 year agreement for I AM RESPONDING. Lee Swisher is finalizing the numbers and whether County Commissioners are will to pay for portion. Cheaper to do 5 yr. instead of 3 yr.

- New News - We have been invited to do train extrication training with Blanchard Twp this Saturday at noon. Good chance to use new tools.
- Want to acknowledge members of department who responded to a CO calls. Found a leak and kept a potential issue from occurring. Family showed appreciation and brought pizza for firefighters at monthly business meeting.
  - Night of Tornado went as well as can be expected. Good response. Good showing of trucks in township.
  - Uniform SOP written and needs approval. Opinion on badges from trustee's.
  - I have asked Macen Degranges from Millstream career center to give me a price on a hose drying rack. Will be made by students. We only pay for materials.
  - Received Licenses for the 4 new radios. P&R will do the programming. I have an agreement from City of Findlay to program their channel into our new radios.
  - Waiting for pricing on Jump suits, gloves, helmets and other equipment from Atlantic Solutions rep.

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# Monthly Zoning Report

Liberty Township - Gene Cole

FROM 4/1/2022  
TO 4/30/2022

DATE	PERMIT NO.	NAME - ADDRESS	VALUE	FEE	NOTES
4/5/2022	22-7-5	David Benner 9164 Nancy Lane	\$8,008.00	50.00	accessory building
4/12/2022	22-2-2	Jeff Schroeder 211 Bittersweet Dr.	\$10,000.00	25.00	Home addition
4/12/2022	22-8-6	Kyle Buente 2921 St. Andrews Drive	7,200.00	30.00	Fence
4/14/2022	22-7-6	Karen Jones 426 Colorado ave.	\$2,000.00	25.00	accessory building
4/25/2022	22-8-7	Ryan Stobbs 1715 Arizona Drive	3,000.00	30.00	Fence
4/25/2022	22-5-2	8556 county road 140 Findlay warehousing	\$5,000,000.00	\$1,000.00	Commercial Warehouse
4/25/2022	22-1-12	Best Liberty Lot 36	\$573,000.00	250.00	new home
4/25/2022	22-8-8	9955 smokies way Findlay fence	\$5,700.00	30.00	Fence
4/26/2022	22-7-7	6794 Silver Lake Drive justin gray	\$10,000.00	50.00	accessory building
4/26/2022	22-2-3	2910 Pepple Beach Ct.	12,000.00	n/c	new addition
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>\$1,490.00</b>