

OHIO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
November 7, 2022

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CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER – The regular monthly meeting of the Ohio Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman, Tom Beatty, on Monday, November 7, 2022 at the Ohio Township Municipal Park.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Beatty asked the secretary to note the presence of supervisors, Tom Beatty, Robert Huffmyer and Jason Hines. Township Manager Justin Klingenberg and Township Clerk Patricia Cannon and Solicitor Michael Witherel were also in attendance.

COMMENTS FROM THE CITIZENS – Karen Moore, 315 Duff Road asked questions regarding the Riya development area. She is requesting that future tenants be required to plant trees and angle the lights away from Duff Road resident homes.

Boy Scout Troop 321 were in attendance to watch local government in action.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Mr. Beatty announced that the minutes of the October 3, 2022 were posted on the bulletin board. Mr. Huffmyer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beatty, to approve the minutes as posted. The motion was carried unanimously.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Mr. Klingenberg read the treasurer’s report for the month of October. Mr. Huffmyer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beatty, to approve the treasurer’s report as read. The motion was carried unanimously.

INVOICES DUE FOR PAYMENT – Mr. Klingenberg read the total invoices due for payment are \$598,779.79 which covers checks #33576 to #33740 (PNC Bank); and Check #1360 in the amount of \$1,440.50 (DEA Fund). Mr. Huffmyer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beatty approving the invoices due for payment. The motion was carried unanimously.

POLICE SUMMARY – The police summary for the month of October is as follows: The Ohio Township Police Department responded to 190 calls. 18 Alarms, 9 Disabled Vehicles, 11 Thefts/Theft Reports, 3 False Fire Alarms (including alarms founded/unfounded), 13 Traffic Accidents, 38 Medical Emergency/Assistance Calls, 14 Traffic Citations, 3 animal complaints, 1 lockout (vehicle/bldg.), 1 fraud report, 1 traffic parking problem, 11 suspicious person/ circumstances/autos, 5 assist other agencies, 14 welfare checks/mental health, and 48 Miscellaneous Calls. Chief Hanny reported there will be a blood drive on Saturday November 26th at the Ohio Township Fire Department.

FIRE REPORT – Mr. Klingenberg reported there was a total of 41 calls since last meeting. 13 MVA’s; 1 Tree Down; 1 Commercial Structure Fire; 4 Residential Automatic Alarms; 4 Commercial Automatic Alarms; 8 Public Service Details, 3 RIT calls, one call for each of the following: vehicle fire, brush fire, CO Alarm, natural gas inside, natural gas outside, transformer fire and assist EMS. There have been 300 calls to date.

MS4 REPORT – Joe Jackson reports last week (10/26/2022) township road department employees attended day-long Stormwater Public Works Training Seminar. Event was sponsored by Allegheny League of Municipalities and Gateway Engineering. Training fulfills Minimum Control Measure 6 of the Township’s MS4 Permit.

PLANNING COMMISSION – The meeting minutes from the August 15, 2022 have been posted on the bulletin board.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT – During the month of October, Ohio Township participated in a food drive to benefit the Bread of Life Food Pantry. With the help of the generous residents of the township, we were able to deliver a sizeable amount of food and other items to their pantry for the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday. In addition to the non-perishable items collected, families will also receive a turkey to make their holiday complete. The holidays can place an extra burden on the less fortunate and the donations collected will help make a big difference this holiday season.

MANAGER'S REPORT – Mr. Klingenberg stated that the Municipal Office will be closed on Friday November 11th in observance of the Veteran's Day holiday and will also be closed on Thursday November 24th in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – Public Works has been busy with milling and paving in the Northridge community. There were some small issues with cold joints and screed heat on the paver. The public works crew is in the process of making the appropriate repairs to the affected areas. Additionally, the crew has installed new gates at the upper and lower entrance to the softball facility on Nicholson Road.

RECREATION REPORT – Completed Park Rentals for the month of October: 15
Scheduled Park Rentals for the month of November: 6

Recap:

Fern Hollow Nature Center's Little Explorers program continued through October, along with other ongoing programs like SilverSneakers and Family Storytime with Sewickley Public Library. Ohio Township celebrated Halloween on Saturday, October 29th with the Police Department's Trunk or Treat and the Annual Haunted Trail. Both events were well attended, and the weather was nice throughout the day. Activities during the Trunk or Treat included decorated police vehicles, a DJ, pumpkin carver, food truck and coffee truck, and candy for visitors dressed in their costumes. For the Haunted Trail, the first 200 kids to walk through the Haunted Trail received treat bags and a pumpkin. The township received a lot of compliments on both events.

Upcoming Events:

Ohio Township's Tree Lighting Celebration will take place on Tuesday, December 6th from 5:30-8:30pm. Activities include a tree lit trail, tree lighting, visit from Santa, Horse and Carriage rides, and more.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS – Mr. Beatty stated we have Resolution No. 24-22 for consideration. This is a CDBG Project Application Concurring Resolution for the demolition of the Manse House at Mt Nebo Church. Mr. Huffmyer made a motion to approve Resolution No. 24-22, Mr. Hines seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Beatty stated we have Resolution No. 25-22 for consideration. This is a CDBG Elimination of Slums and Blight resolution for the demolition of the Manse House at Mt. Nebo Church. Mr. Hines made a motion to approve Resolution No. 25-22, Mr. Huffmyer seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Beatty stated we have Resolution No. 26-22 for consideration. This is a resolution for plan revision for new land development for the car wash located at the Sheetz at Mt. Nebo Pointe. Mr. Huffmyer made a motion to approve Resolution No. 26-22, Mr. Hines seconded the motion. The motion carried.

SOLICITORS REPORT – None.

CORRESPONDENCE – Emsworth United Presbyterian Church sent a letter explaining that at the end of 2022, the church building will cease being a functioning church. As such, they are distributing the proceeds of the sale of the building with a \$2,600 contribution to the Ohio Township Police Department.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, Mr. Huffmyer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hines to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m. The next monthly meeting will be Monday, December 5, 2022 at 5 pm.