

OHIO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
October 7, 2019

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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, October 10, 2019 at the Ohio Township Municipal Building.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Beatty asked the secretary to note the presence of supervisors, Jim Reid, Herb Hartle and Tom Beatty.

COMMENTS FROM THE CITIZENS – Mr. Nick Barone, 1025 Mt. Nebo Road, presented the Ohio Township Fire Department with his annual donation. Mr. Kevin Braun, 190 Washington Way inquired about the ambulance response time and inquired about the proposed meeting with Ross/West View Ambulance Service. Mr. Beatty informed Mr. Braun that there will be a meeting on Tuesday October 8th with representatives of Ross West View Ambulance, Mrs. Freel and Mr. Sullivan. Mr. Rich Jovan, 111 Old Glory Lane also inquired about the ambulance service.

Mr. Peter Arlia, 108 Northfield Drive, Mr. Gary Short, 212 Windgap Road, and Mr. Greger Erickson, 111 Lynhurst Drive all spoke about the proposed development off of Josephs Lane (Caddis). Mr. Beatty stated that there is still nothing new to report as the developer has not contacted the Township in months. Mr. Short requested that the township pay for an impact study. Mr. Beatty stated that there would not be an impact study done until such time as it is deemed necessary. Mr. Beatty stated that the time to request such information would be when the developer and plan is before the Planning Commission.

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

TREASURER’S REPORT – Mr. Sullivan read the treasurer’s report for the month of September. Mr. Hartle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reid, to approve the treasurer’s report as read. The motion was carried unanimously.

INVOICES DUE FOR PAYMENT - Mr. Sullivan read the total invoices due for payment are \$481,497.67 which covers checks #28455 to #28591 (PNC Bank) and checks 1321 & 1322 (DEA) in the amount of \$650.00. Mr. Hartle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reid approving the invoices due for payment. The motion was carried unanimously.

POLICE SUMMARY –The police summary for the month of September is as follows: The Ohio Township Police Department responded to 242 calls. 23 Alarms, 11 Disabled Vehicle, 8 Thefts/Theft Reports, 3 fraud reports, 2 false fire alarms, 3 motor vehicle accidents, 11 Traffic Accidents, 22 Medical Emergency/ Assistance Calls, 66 Traffic Citations, 5 Traffic & Parking Problems, 2 domestic disturbances, 4 suspicious person/ circumstances/autos, 3 assist other agencies, 2 welfare checks, 3 building/auto lockouts, 8 animal complaints and 68 Miscellaneous Calls.

FIRE REPORT – Chief Penfield submitted the emergency and fire report for the month of September as follows: The Ohio Township Fire Department responded to 21 calls. 7 Vehicle Crashes, 3 fire alarms, 1 gas line struck, 1 structure fire, 1 tree down, 1 wire down, 1 smoke investigation, 1 water condition, 1 water rescue, 1 possible structure fire, 1 grill fire, 1 RIT, and 1 police assist.

MS4 REPORT – Joe Jackson reported there was one illicit discharge removed from storm system. A water line was discovered leaking into the municipal storm system on Rippling Brook Drive.

PLANNING COMMISSION – The minutes of the July Planning Commission meeting are posted on the bulletin board.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT – The Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) is offering flu immunizations at its walk-in clinic (425 First Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15219). Unless covered by your insurance, the price of a regular flu shot for residents with insurance is \$34. The Health Department will again offer the high-dose influenza vaccine this year. This high-dose vaccine is four times more concentrated than the regular flu shot and is available only for seniors 65 years of age and older. The high-dose flu shot price is \$59. For more information about Influenza and for clinic information, visit the Allegheny County Health Department website.

MANAGER'S REPORT – Mr. Sullivan had nothing to report this month.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – Justin Klingenberg reported the road department has completed the replacement of 800 ft. of storm sewer pipe in the Deer Valley Plan and reported that weather permitting, paving will begin on Tuesday October 8th. Justin also reported the salt is stockpiled and ready for winter weather. Justin also reported he recently completed the CDL – Probable Cause Training for CDL Supervisory Personnel course.

RECREATION REPORT – Mr. Rubino presented the following report: Completed Park Rentals for the month of September: 11 Scheduled Park Rentals for the month of October: 9

Recap:

The 12th Annual 5K and Kids Fun Run took place on Saturday, October 5th at 9am. 51 runners and walkers came across the finish line, and another 10 for the kid's fun run.

Staff from Fern Hollow Nature Center held a Biodiversity Walk at the park on October 5th from 1-3pm.

Silver Sneakers and Yoga Fitness Classes continued through September. Pound, Zumba, Boot Camp, and Walk Live classes started back up in September.

Upcoming Events

A senior luncheon will be held on Wednesday, October 16th. Presentations include a planting demo and a talk about Medicare.

The Annual Haunted Trail is scheduled for Saturday, October 26th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

PUBLIC MEETING: – Mr. Beatty opened the public meeting stating we have Ordinance No. 335 for consideration. Mr. Kevin McKeegan from Meyer, Unkovic & Scott explained how there is a demand for upscale pet services such as doggie daycare, grooming and boarding. People spent over 7 billion on pet services in previous years. These are terms and descriptions that were not common in the past which is why the need to update the ordinance to include such terms and services.

Mr. Dustin Frawley, 210 Windgap Road, inquired about the process of updating the ordinance. Mr. McKeegan explained how the township has the ordinance drafted, submitted to Allegheny County Planning for their review and comment (there was none), submitted to Ohio Township's Planning Commission for review and comment (there was none) and advertised in the Citizen newspaper for public review and comment (no inquires).

No further comments were heard. The public meeting was closed.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Beatty stated we have Ordinance #335 for consideration. This is an ordinance amending Ordinance #305 definition in Article II, Section 201, of the term "Pet Services"; adding express standards and criteria for pet services in Article XIII; and amending Appendix E, the table of authorized uses to allow pet services as a conditional use in the C-1 zoning district. **Mr. Hartle made a motion to approve Ordinance #335. Mr. Reid seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

SOLICITORS REPORT – None.

CORRESPONDENCE – None.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. The next monthly meeting will be Monday, November 4, 2019.