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Union Township Trustees
August 8, 2022

The Union Township Trustees met in regular session at 7:00 pm on August 8, 2022. Fiscal Officer Jessica Slater's roll call showed the following trustees: John Slater, Roger Start, and Jeff Sharps. Paula Greene, Township Administrator, was also present. Trustee Slater led the Pledge of Allegiance. Guest: George James and Rick Black.

Minutes

Mr. Start moved to approve the July 27 Special meeting minutes. Mr. Sharp seconded. Motion carried.

Bills

The clerk certified the money to pay the bills in the treasury or is in the collection process. Mr. Start motioned to pay the bills. Mr. Sharps seconded. Motion carried.

Public Comments

George James – Mr. James complained again about no one checking his ditch at 59 Squire Lane. Mr. Slater said that he and Dave had been in the subdivision during two recent rain events. They determined that the road edge in front of Mr. Stufflebeans needed to be shaved back to allow the water to flow the way it should, keeping water off the road. The work would be done before school started, and no other ditch work was needed at this time. Mr. James was upset that his culvert would not be moved as he felt the culvert was too far from the road, and his neighbor was even more upset than he was.

Mr. Slater said moving his culvert would require reconstructing the entire ditch, which is working. Mr. James said that is what he wanted, adding that he wanted a pipe run and covered so he could mow. Mr. Slater said the ditch is working as it was designed, and there would be no benefits to the Township to move the ditch.

Mr. James asked if he would be sued if he moved his culvert. Mr. Slater said that would not benefit the Township, and how the ditch and road are now is how it was constructed and should remain. Mr. James mentioned his neighbor again. Mr. Slater said he would speak to him.

Road and Bridge

Resurfacing Bid – After a brief discussion, it was decided to table the decision until Dave could review the bid.

Fire/EMS

Millage – The Resolution to place the four mills were filed with the Board of Elections on July 28. The Trustees will hold an open meeting before the election to discuss Fire/EMS and the millage.

Mr. Start was concerned that should Hebron conform their boundaries before the election, the Township's levy would still appear on Hebron's ballot. Paula said she discussed this with Brad Cottrell, Dep. Auditor, someone at the Board of Elections could answer the question. Mr. Cottrell said that he met with Prosecutor Carnes, Mayor Layton, and Attorney United earlier this year

