

**Union Township Trustees**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**September 5, 2023**

The Union Township Trustees met in regular session on September 5, 2023, at 7:00 pm. Fiscal Officer Jessica Slater's roll call showed the following trustees: John Slater, Jeff Sharps and Roger Start present. Paula Greene, Township Administrator and Dave Cable, Road Superintendent, were also present. Guests: Martha Cable. Trustee Slater led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes – Mr. Start moved and Mr. Sharps seconded to approve the August 14 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Bills – Mr. Start motioned, and Mr. Slater seconded to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Public Comments- none

**Road and Bridge**

Fisher – After discussing the issue with Asst. Prosecutor Carnes and Linda Nicodemus, Stormwater Coordinator/Licking County Soil and Water, Mrs. Nicodemus advised the project Mr. Fisher was requesting would violate State and Federal Laws that safeguarded natural waterways. Mrs. Nicodemus requested Mr. Fisher's water issues be addressed by their department. Ms. Carnes advised the Trustees of the recommendation. After a discussion, the following motion was made:

Motion – Mr. Sharps motioned, and Mr. Start, to forward Mr. Fisher's request to the Licking County Soil and Water for further review. Motion carried.

It was noted the Trustees, Attorney Carnes, Trustee Van Buren responded to the special meeting request discussed during the last meeting. Mr. Fisher, nor Jared Kneer forwarded dates available to Paula. Mr. Fisher attempted to contact Attorney Carnes twice via phone during this time but would not respond to Attorney Carnes emails.

Retirement announcement – Jim Nauer, Street worker, submitted his retirement date of February 14, 2024. A discussion was held regarding Mr. Nauer's last day of work, replacement of position and if funding was available to replace the full-time position. It was noted that with the retirement of Mr. Nauer would leave two full-time road positions instead of three along with one part-time. Mr. Cable would like to have a replacement to assist with snow removal. Mr. Start asked for a financial breakdown of the position.

Deeds and Reserve – Berm (road edge) repairs have been completed.

Paving – The Shelly Company has yet to schedule the Township's Paving.

**Administration**

Resolution 2023-38 Schedule A and B

Mrs. Slater presented Schedule A and B for approval. Mr. Start inquired as to when the Township would see an increase in tax revenue from the new appraisals. Assistant Prosecutor Austin Lecklider advised the township would receive a slight increase in revenue.

**Resolution 2023-38 – Mr. Sharps motioned, Mr. Start seconded to approve Schedule A and B.**

Roll call: Mr. Slater-yes

Mr. Start-yes

Mr. Sharps-yes

Map Amendment – The Zoning Commission approved a map amendment request submitted by Mike Brenneman for his property on National Road, east of Hebron to rezone from Agriculture to General Business. Mr. Brenneman plans to move his lawn care sales to this location. The Trustee’s hearing date was set for September 18 at 6:45 pm.

*Motion – Mr. Sharps motioned, and Mr. Start seconded to hold the Brenneman Map Amendment on September 18, 2023, at 6:45pm.*

The Licking County River Round-up will be held September 9. Paula, Rick Black, and the Cable family will be cleaning along the Licking River between State Route 79 on both ends.

**Economic Development**

Framework Resolution – Attorney Carnes reviewed and approved the Framework Resolution as written.

Executive Session – Mr. Start moved to enter into ***Executive session*** per Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(8) Executive Session PURSUANT TO ORC 121.22 (G)(8) TO CONSIDER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION RELATED TO THE MARKETING PLANS, SPECIFIC BUSINESS STRATEGY, PRODUCTION TECHNIQUES, TRADE SECRETS, PERSONAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF AN APPLICANT FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE THAT INVOLVES PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS OR THE EXTENSION OF UTILITY SERVICES THAT ARE DIRECTLY RELATED TO AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT at 7:29 pm.

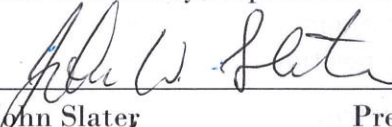
Mr. Start moved to return to the regular meeting at 7:38 pm.

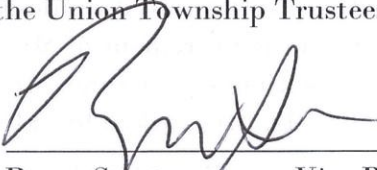
Public Comments: None

**Trustees Comments**

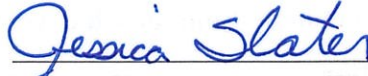
There were no comments.

There being no further business, Mr. Start moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm. Mr. Sharps seconded. Motion carried. The next meeting of the Union Township Trustees will be held on Monday, September 18, 2023, at 7:00 pm.

  
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John Slater                      President

  
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Roger Start                      Vice President

  
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Jeff Sharps                      Trustee

  
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Jessica Slater                      Fiscal Officer