

Union Township Trustees
Minutes of January 19, 2023
Regular Meeting

The Union Township Trustees met on January 19, 2023, at 7:00 pm for regular meeting. Fiscal Officer Jessica Slater's roll call showed the following trustees: John Slater, Roger Start and Jeff Sharps present. Paula Greene, Township Administrator was also present. Trustee Slater led the Pledge of Allegiance. Guests: Attorney Chris Connelly, Southwest Licking Water District Attorney Andrew King, Bill McWilliams, Martha Cable, and Andrew Gulick.

Minutes – Mr. Start moved and Mr. Sharps seconded to approve the December 30, 2022. Motion carried.

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

Public Comments-No public comments.

Road and Bridge

New Dump Truck – The Ford 750 was delivered earlier this week.

Fire/EMS

Levy Millage – The Trustees held a general discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of continuing and temporary levies. While a continuing levy would allow for ongoing Fire/Ems revenue without returning to the ballot, noting that the service would not become less expensive, it was felt that the public would be more comfortable with a temporary levy at this time. Input from the audience favored the temporary levy.

Resolution 2023-19 Declaring Necessary to Levy a Tax in Excess of the 10-mill limitation (7 mills temporary)

Mr. Sharps moved and Mr. Start seconded to place a 7-mill levy – temporary for Fire/Ems on the May 2023 ballot.

Roll Call: Mr. Slater – yes Mr. Start – yes Mr. Sharps - yes

Resolution 2023-16 Six Month Contract with Granville Twp. Fire

Mr. Sharps moved and Mr. Start seconded to accept the six-month Fire/Ems service contract.

Roll Call: Mr. Slater – yes Mr. Start – yes Mr. Sharps - yes

Parcel sale – The Trustees discussed the sale price for 6265 Lancaster Road. Taking inconsideration, the appraisal of the property the following motion was made. Mr. Sharps would be the point of contact.

Motion – Mr. Start moved and Mr. Sharps seconded to place 6265 Lancaster Road for sale by owner, for \$599,999. Motion Carried.

Administration

Resolution 2023-17 APRA Funds – Retain Crossroads Community Planning for Comp Plan Revision. Mr. Start moved, and Mr. Sharps seconded to retain Crossroads Community Planning to revise the current Union Township Comprehensive Plan with ARPA funds, not to exceed \$48,500.

Roll Call: Mr. Slater – yes Mr. Start – yes Mr. Sharps – yes

Map Amendment – The Zoning Commission will meet on February 6 @5:30 pm to hear a map amendment request to rezone five acres of Agricultural land to Rural Residential 4.
Letter from Valerie Mockus- A discussion was held regarding a request from Hebron Council President to meet with the Trustees. The Trustees agreed that Mr. Start would contact Ms. Mockus and set a date and time for a discussion.

Economic Development

Resolution 2023-18 Approving JEDD District

Mr. Start moved, and Mr. Sharps seconded to accept the JEDD District Contract pursuant to ORC Section 715.72.

Roll Call: Mr. Slater – yes Mr. Start – yes Mr. Sharps - yes

Economic Development Plan– Special meeting will be held on February 6, 2023, at 6 pm to hear the Economic Development Plan.

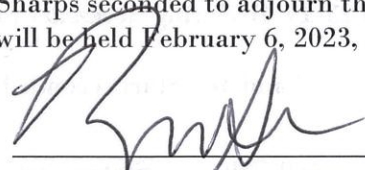
Mr. Start moved and Mr. Sharps seconded to enter into *Executive session* per Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(8) Executive Session PURSUANT TO ORC 121.22 (G)(8) TO CONSIDER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION RELATED TO THE MARKETING PLANS, SPECIFIC BUSINESS STRATEGY, PRODUCTION TECHNIQUES, TRADE SECRETS, PERSONAL 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 7:40 pm. At 7:56 pm Mr. Start moved and Mr. Sharps seconded to return to the regular meeting.

Public/Trustee Comments - There were no public or Trustee comments.

There being no further business, Mr. Start moved, and Mr. Sharps seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm The next meeting of the Union Township Trustees will be held February 6, 2023, at 7:00pm.



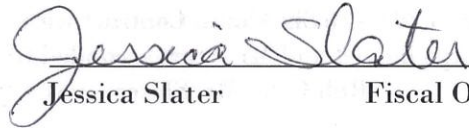
John Slater President



Roger Start Vice President



Jeff Sharps Trustee



Jessica Slater Fiscal Officer