

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

The Union Township Trustees met in regular session on June 5, 2023, at 7:00 pm. Fiscal Officer Jessica Slater's roll call showed the following trustees: John Slater and Jeff Sharps present. Mr. Start was absent. Paula Greene, Township Administrator and Dave Cable, Road Supervisor, was also present. Trustee Slater led the Pledge of Allegiance. Guests: Kenneth Fisher, Martha Cable, John Black, Lucy Poorman and Debby Eddy.

Minutes – Mr. Start moved and Mr. Slater seconded to approve the May 15 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

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

Public Comments- Debby Eddy has historical information of the Licking Baptist Church and founding families; she would like to turn these items over to the Township for safekeeping. Ms. Eddy suggested the Licking County Historical Society should be notified the building is scheduled to be demolished, so that they can photograph the building.

Electric Aggregation – Joe Garrett, Trebel Energy announced an electric aggregation price of 6.2 effective in June 2024 to June 2025 and provided an agreement for the Trustees to sign. Mr. Slater said Licking County is working towards a county wide aggregation program and felt costs could be lower due to the volume of customers. Mr. Garrett did not believe consumers' costs would be lower, and was not in favor of county's implementing aggregation programs.

Assistant Prosecutor Carolyn Carnes reviewed the contract submitted by Joe Garrett and found issues that needed to be addressed before she would approve the contract. Mr. Garrett was unaware of issues with the document but said if the Trustees did not sign the agreement right away the price of 6.2 could be unavailable by morning. Mr. Slater and Mr. Sharps discussed the situation the following motion was made:

**Motion: Mr. Slater motioned to enter into an agreement for electric aggregation with Trebel Energy of not more than 6.3 to begin at the end of the current contract June 2024, with the condition the contract presented today was corrected. Mr. Sharps seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Road and Bridge.**

Road Bids and Meeting Dates – As 4<sup>th</sup> of July falls on a Tuesday Paula recommended rescheduling the July 3 regular meeting to July 10 which would also fall in the timeframe of resurfacing bids to be opened. After a brief discussion the following motion was made:

**Motion – Mr. Sharps moved, and Mr. Slater seconded to reschedule the July 3 regular meeting to Monday, July 10, 2023, at 7:00 pm, with resurfacing bids opening to be held at 6:45 pm. Motion carried.**

Demolition of building – United Aggregates scheduled the demolition of the building the last week of June or the first week of July.

The following Resolutions were presented.

**Resolution 2023-33 Declaring Building Unfit For Use**

**Mr. Sharps moved to declare the township owned building at 1609 Beaver Run Road, unfit and unsafe for use. The Trustees agree to demolish said building and improve the site. Mr. Slater seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call – Mr. Slater-yes Mr. Sharps-yes**

**Resolution 2023- 34 Enter contract with United Aggregates**

**Mr. Sharps moved to enter a contract with United Aggregates, LLC, in the amount of \$15,767.50 to demolition and clean-up of former church building that has been declared unfit and unsafe for use at 1609 Beaver Run Road. Mr. Slater seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call – Mr. Slater-yes Mr. Sharps-yes**

**Administration**

Variance – The Board of Zoning Appeals will hear a variance filed by New River Electric on June 13 @7pm. The applicant request landscaping required in parking lot be removed and stone be permitted in a portion of the rear parking lot as the equipment to be repaired at this site is not road worthy.

Comp Plan Survey – The comp plan survey mailer has been sent to residents.

Harrison Twp. Agreement – Ms. Carnes is waiting for a response from Trustee Van Buren.

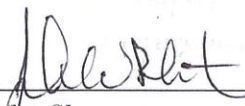
Building updates – Paula received interior painting estimates from Integrity Painting and Holderbaum Painting. Brick House painting viewed the building, but had not submitted a Estimate. The Trustees reviewed the estimates: Holderbaum Painting - \$6,120.00and Integrity Painting \$10,660.00. After a discussion, Mr. Sharps asked that Holderbaum estimate include the rooms to be painted and the paint warranty. Paula agreed and said she will provide the information at the next meeting.

**Public Comment:**

Mr. Fisher felt Union Township should be responsible for cleaning the ditches within the Township and not a shared responsibility with Harrison Township. Mr. Fisher feels Harrison Township is not as efficient as Union Township.

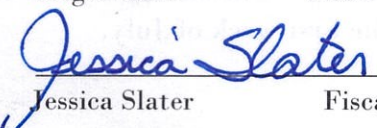
There were no trustee comments. There being no further business, Mr. Sharps moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 pm. Mr. Slater seconded. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Union Township Trustees will be held on Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

  
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John Slater President

  
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Jeff Sharps Trustee

Absent  
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Roger Start Vice President

  
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Jessica Slater Fiscal Officer