

UNION TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

November 21, 2022 ~ Meeting

The Union Township Trustees met at 7:00 pm on November 21, 2022. Fiscal Officer Jessica Slater's roll call showed the following trustees: John Slater, Roger Start, and Jeff Sharps present. Also in attendance were Paula Greene, Township Administrator, and Dave Cable, Road Superintendent. Trustee Slater led the Pledge of Allegiance. Guest: Martha Cable, Paul Rutter, Judd Temple, Patrice Francis, and Kevin Stogran.

Minutes

Mr. Start moved, and Mr. Sharps seconded, to approve the of minutes the October 31 and November 14 Special meeting. Motion carried.

Bills

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

Public Comments

Rick Haines – Voiced concerns (again) of the Village of Hebron and Township waterline projects of two separate waterlines could be constructed. Mr. Haines said he received a letter from the Village regarding their waterline. Mr. Start said the Trustees have been working with the Water District since the beginning of the year and provided Mr. Haines a copy of the Township's MOU with Southwest Licking Water District dated March 14, 2022. Mr. Haines was also advised the Village of Hebron also received a copy of the MOU.

Judd Temple – Advised ORC 533 provides the Trustees with the authority to pass a resolution to vacate the end of Grandpoint Road. The Trustees will discuss with prosecutor. Trustees agreed Grandpoint should not be for a throughway for a high-density housing. It was noted the Russell Farm had not been annexed and concerns should be voiced to the developer and the City of Heath. Mr. Temple said 12 landowners do not want Grandpoint extended into a new housing development (who could also petition the Commissioners) and felt it was the trustee's responsibility to stop development of a throughway.

Road & Bridge

Activity - An extended warranty is available for the New Holland Tractor. The Trustees took the option under consideration. The new dump truck is expected to be delivered this week.

Fire/EMS

6265 - Mr. Sharps spoke with two appraisers. The Bethel Appraisers (K. Michael) would appraise the property for \$500.00 and would be completed in two weeks.

Motion- Mr. Start motioned, and Mr. Sharps seconded to retain Bethel Appraisers in the amount of \$500.00 to appraise the value of 6265 Lancaster Road Motion carried.

Election update – Brian Mead, Board of Elections advised today the final count will be certified on November 29 during the Boards meeting. There are 23 provisional and approximately 15 absentee ballots to count.

Administration

Electric Aggregation Program - Joe Garrett, Trebel Energy, spoke on a new discount

program that may come available. Mr. Garrett provided a contract that was approved by Prosecutor Carnes.

Motion – Mr. Start motioned and Mr. Sharps seconded to enter the contract that would at least a 15% discount. Board President Slater would be the authorized signee. Motion carried.

Mowing contract extension-Brandon Daubenmire requested to exercise the two-year extension to the mowing contract at the current rates.

Motion – Mr. Sharps motioned, Mr. Start seconded to extend the mowing contract for the 2023 and 2024 mowing season. Motioned carried.

Map Amendment – The Zoning Commission will hear a map amendment on November 28, filed by Larry Dillon for his parcel on Gale Road.

RFQ for comp plan – The public notice for the RFQ was posted on November 13 in the Newark Advocate. RFQ's are due December 1 with interviews set for the week of December 6 with selection tentatively set for December 19.

Economic Development

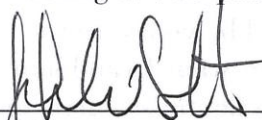
Economic Development Committee has been meeting regularly. The draft plan will be ready in December or January at which time a special meeting will be held to review the plan.

Trustees Comments


Social media – Mr. Sharps spoke with a resident who suggested working with Granville High School on the Township's social media. They were researching a job description.

There were no additional public or Trustee comments.


With there being no further business, Mr. Start moved and Mr. Sharps seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm.



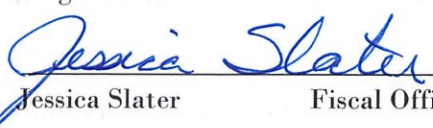
John Slater President



Jeff Sharps Trustee



Roger Start Vice President



Jessica Slater Fiscal Officer