



Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees Meeting
Held on May 12, 2020

The Board of Trustees of Jerusalem Township met in virtual session meeting on the above date at 7:00 p.m. through Zoom Meeting Online.

Mark Sattler opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance with the members as listed during roll call:

Beau Miller, present
Dave Bench, present
Mark Sattler, present

Approval of Previous Minutes:

After review by the board, Beau Miller made a motion to accept the April 28, 2020 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes
Beau Miller, yes
Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer:

Joel Moszkowicz reported a fund status of \$596,120.26 in pooled investments and \$259,259.69 in our checking account. We made payments with warrants 18632-18665 and electronic payments 59-2020 through 67-2020 totaling \$32,374.10. We had deposits totaling \$27,388.98 since last meeting. Dave Bench made a motion to accept the payment and fund status report, seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes
Beau Miller, yes
Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried.

Regarding the Road Recreation .75 mill levy, Joel has received the County Auditor certification of funds. Dave Bench made a resolution, 05/12/2020-00 to notify the County board of elections to place the levy on the ballot this coming general election. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes
Beau Miller, yes
Mark Sattler, yes

Resolution adopted.

Regarding the Road and Bridge 1.0 mill levy, Joel has received the County Auditor certification of funds. Dave Bench made a resolution, 05/12/2020-01 to notify the County board of elections to place the levy on the ballot this coming general election. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes
Beau Miller, yes
Mark Sattler, yes

Resolution adopted.

Fire Department: Tony Parasiliti

Safety Message – Weather improving, more active people, be careful when completing physical activity.

Regarding COVID 19, the department does not know of any cases in the Township. PPE precautions are still being followed. The County is going to supply the Township additional surgical masks. Tony wanted to thank the Fire Inspector for the effort placed this past quarter, most businesses are inspected. The department is supporting the food pantry tomorrow with traffic control and assisting the pantry staff with any tasks. Tony also wanted to thank Kevin for securing automatic hand sanitizing dispensers in the station for department use.

Tony has several bids for the roof repair, he will get details to the board but does not see any repairs needing to take place anytime soon. Tony noted that the Fiscal Officer has secured necessary communications with the new Brush Truck dealership regarding payment. Tony also will start a soft version of weekly training adhering to COVID precautions.

Zoning: Mike Skitowski

Oregon Recreation has already had a meeting regarding summer programming, it has all been postponed at this time. He indicated that we are waiting on changes from the Governor of Ohio and the COVID precautions.

Kevin and Eric are maintaining the fields, some dragging and trimming will need to be completed. Mike will mulch around the trees to dress up the area.

Regarding the shipping container, the Recreation board does not have a date, maybe 5-7 years ago when the container was placed on the property. Linda the Zoning Inspector indicated the container is considered grandfathered. Mike asked the board what we can do, either consider moving it back since it is considered grandfathered or replacing it after giving the Recreation some time to consider alternatives.

Beau Miller feels the container is grandfathered in and should remain in use. Dave Bench feels we should set the example and not have a shipping container at all and avoid public criticism.

Mark Sattler made a motion to look at alternatives to the shipping container for storage such as a shed that meets the current zoning regulations. Dave Bench seconded with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes
Beau Miller, no
Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried.

Zoning: Linda Rossler

Permits 11520 Rachel, fence
 12315 LaFontaine, New Construction

Conditional Use Request: Meinke Marina Campground extension, 11025 Corduroy Parcel # 3385718

Zoning Change Request: Cut Wood Properties, 7333 Jerusalem Road
 AR to C-2 behind house located at 646 S. North Curtice Parcel# 3330855

Final Violation notices

Response from certified violation letters: Abatement by May 7, 2020

Owner Alex Lytten, accepted certified letter, receipt received

LOCATION OF VIOLATION: Parcel # 3343837360 Howard

Cleaning up, not operating a commercial business, may only have 2 recreation vehicles on property, 2 personal operable vehicles only, clearing corner for visibility, blight removal

Progress is being made. Allowing extra time for complete abatement.

Owner: Harold Stanton, accepted certified letter, receipt received, response from attorney request a 60-day stay.

Linda explained that she will consent to a 30-day stay given the current environment.

LOCATION OF VIOLATION:

Parcel # 3370994, 421 Westmore, Parcel # 3370991, 417 Westmore, Parcel # 3370547, 421

Howard

Parcel # 3370987, 413 Westmore, Parcel # 3370984, 409 Westmore, Parcel # 3370544, 417

Howard

Parcel # 3370981, 405 Westmore, Parcel # 3370977, 401 Westmore, Parcel # 3370541, 413

Howard

Parcel # 3370957, 422 Westmore, Parcel # 3370964, 414 Westmore, Parcel # 3370531, 401

Howard

Parcel # 3370961, 418 Westmore, Parcel # 3370537, 409 Howard, Parcel # 3370534, 405

Howard

Owner: Michael Szuch, No receipt, no response to date

LOCATION OF VIOLATION: Parcel # 3373122 0 Coolie
Parcel # 3372584 1080 Coolie
Parcel # 3372591 1066 Coolie

Blighted Lot: 302, 268 East, Parcel # 3376377, 3376324, approved dumpster for Township
Maintenance to clean up 11/12/19, request cleanup date

Blighted Structure: Fire Department inspected the condition of the property located at 263 Alzale
Parcel # 3376054 & 267 Alzale Parcel #3376051, and found the structures to be insecure, unsafe,
structurally defective and unfit for human habitation. Neighbors are currently maintaining exterior
grounds.

Junk Vehicles: 11044 Jerusalem Road Parcel #: 3350277 Chevy truck
Owner, Tony Romstadt, removing by May 11.

LOCATION OF VIOLATION: 11981 Corduroy Road PARCEL ID: 3366474
Owner, Shelbi Vondran
Violations sent 10/7/19 & 3/18/20

Request Trustee resolution of formal orders to abate junk vehicles located at 11981 Corduroy,
Parcel # 3366474 within (14) days or appeal the Boards declaration.

General Motors; Achieva, SC, Gray Ford, F-150, Maroon

LOCATION OF VIOLATION: 558 Beachview Parcel # 3368454

Owner, Robert & Bonny Straka

Violations sent:

Request Trustee resolution of formal orders to abate junk vehicles located at 558 Beachview
Parcel # 3368454 within (14) days or appeal the Boards declaration.

Jeep Comanche Red

Dodge Durango 4x4 Green

Dodge Dakota Sport Red

Court Cases: 1608 North Curtice, Luce, Brief filed on behalf of Trustees & Board of Zoning Appeals

Comprehensive Plan: Bill Harbert, Planner with Lucas County Plan Commission will work with us to

update the

Township Comprehensive Plan,
Survey options; survey monkey, press

Steering Committee:

2001 Committee approved by the Trustees:

Trustee,
Lucas County Plan Commission,
Zoning Inspector,
2 BZA members,
2 Zoning Board,
2 business owners,
1 resident.

2020 Committee

Chair
Trustee
Bill Harbert, Lucas County Plan Commission
Linda Rossler, Zoning Inspector
2 BZA members
2 Zoning Board
2 business owners
3 residents. (Representative from Reno, Bono, Curtice)

Regarding the vacancy of zoning board members, Mark feels and so does the board that there should not be any automatic renewal of board member positions, but that when the term expires, applicants need to be sought out or collected and presented to the board for review. This of course does not prevent someone whose term expired from again serving, they should be considered with any others. This would allow for new ideas and potentially fresh members to the boards. There was a lengthy discussion on execution of selection and Mark shared the below information:

Zoning Board Term

I encourage a proper balance of zoning enforcement, objectivity, compliance with county and state regulations, consistency, and reasonableness.

I believe Zoning is a critical element in improving the attractiveness of our community to encourage growth and development.

Clearly heard in our community is that Blight is the top issue of concern. As Trustees, we should be looking for ways to help the Zoning department make progress toward the desired vision for our community. I believe we can assist by encouraging the following:

1. Focus the Zoning department's work: Encourage Zoning to create/refine objective criteria for identifying and ranking blight issues.
2. Enforcement of issues following such objective criteria are defensible.
3. Recommend an open, objective process for recruiting, interviewing, and selecting Zoning

Board members. Every time a seat reaches the end of its term, the Township should repeat the process to ensure that the best candidate is selected to improve our Zoning process and make progress towards our vision for the community.

4. Evaluation of the resources needed for zoning in order to achieve a level of progress of improvement that is noticeable and acceptable to our community. This should be revisited to explore approaches to address this area.

Therefore, I recommend that there be no automatic renewal of terms for Zoning Board members. A new recruitment, interview and selection process should be initiated for every seat that opens.

Possible selection criteria for Board Members:

- a) No current or unresolved zoning citations against any properties owned or occupied by the applicant
- b) Applicant could serve as an ambassador for Jerusalem Township Zoning Department to the local community
- c) Applicant has the attributes and talents that would benefit Jerusalem Township Zoning Department
- d) Applicant is a good fit with the vision and values of Jerusalem Township

Maintenance: Kevin Chapman

Kevin reported to the board that as discussed from last meeting that the project will go out for bid through the County Engineer for 2020 and start the bidding process through the Toledo Blade. He reminded the board we have the right to refuse any bid but the board is hoping for a discount for this year road project.

Cemetery: Kevin Chapman

Kevin reported three funerals since last meeting but having an issue with one funeral home director and respecting social distancing and a limit Kevin has asked funeral homes to follow with only having 10 family members attend the burial. Kevin reported the State of Ohio did not ever restrict funeral services for COVID precautions but would like the board to review his concern with the 10 family at the grave site and work with the one funeral home in question. Mark Sattler reported he will speak with the County Health Department and seek some advice before approaching the funeral home director regarding this restriction.

Kevin and Eric are working to put in footers they have orders setup already before the upcoming holiday.

Trustee Reports:

Cemetery – Mark Sattler reported the driveway permit variance was submitted this past month and we are pending the hearing on May 14, 2020. Kevin Chapman reported that we have 56 graves remaining in the cemetery to sell. Regarding the pond and leveling, Kevin is going to start contacting contractors to secure costs of the pond and the leveling of the soil. Bids in the past, Kevin has received indicates we might have enough money to start yet this year.

Hall Rental – no update.

Roads – no update.

Old Business:

1. Ditch Petition – no update.
2. County Budget Cuts – Dave, Mark and Beau discussed the report from last month and the Townships support of the road patrol through fuel. Beau Miller reported he spoke with the Sheriff about getting numbers of prior fuel usage from our road patrol. Item will be discussed at the next meeting.
3. Brown and Turnau – Beau Miller heard back from Brian Miler for having the backflow preventer work completed through George Gradel. The county reported the Township has to be the entity that pays for the project and submits reimbursement through our Storm Water Utility funds. Beau Miller will get the information to the Fiscal Officer to get a purchase order generated.

New Business:

1. Alzale Resolution – Beau Miller moved to adopt resolution 05/12/2020-02 to demolish structures at 263 and 267 Alzale. Seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes
Beau Miller, yes
Mark Sattler, yes

Resolution adopted.

2. 11981 Corduroy Resolution - Dave Bench moved to adopt resolution 05/12/2020-03 to abate junk vehicles at 11981 Corduroy. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes
Beau Miller, yes
Mark Sattler, yes

Resolution adopted.

3. 588 Beachview Resolution – Beau Miler moved to adopt resolution 05/12/2020-04 to abate junk vehicles at 588 Beachview. Seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes
Beau Miller, yes
Mark Sattler, yes

Resolution adopted.

4. Township Roof – Dave Bench received only one estimate and will get more information to the board later.
5. OTARMA Renewal – no update.
6. Unlimited Pickup – Mark Sattler had a conversation with Republic Services, they proposed a Saturday pickup, Mark indicated we would like the pickup on a normal pickup day, Thursday and Friday. Tentative date is June 18th and 19th. The board is in agreement with both dates.
7. Stimulus Money Donation – Mark Sattler was contacted by a local resident who wants to give a portion of their stimulus check to local purpose to help out others. Dave Bench and Beau Miller suggests the food pantry; they are in need of the support.
8. Ohio EMA Mask – the Township will be receiving cloth masks for government use through the Ohio EMA and the Lucas County EOC. Mark will submit a number to the County EOC.

Public Participation:


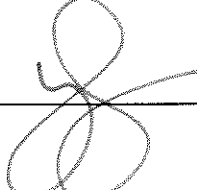
None

Adjournment:

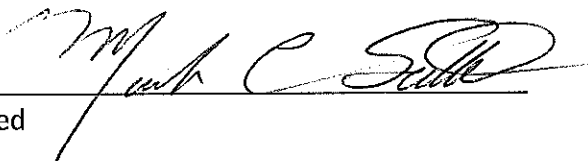
With no further business before the Board, Dave Bench made a motion to adjourn today's meeting. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

Beau Miller, yes
Dave Bench, yes
Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried at 9:00 p.m.

Attested



Approved