



Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees Meeting
Held on January 26, 2021

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.

Dave Bench opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. 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, Mark Sattler made a motion to accept the January 12, 2021 Regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, Yes
Beau Miller, Yes
Mark Sattler, Yes

Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer:

In Joel's absence, David Bench shared Joel's Fiscal Officer report of a fund status of \$597,941.38 in pooled investments and \$163,526.76 in our checking account. We made payments with warrants 19395-19435 totaling \$54,176.65. Deposits made since last meeting totaling \$10,478.39. Beau Miller made a motion to accept the payment and fund status report, seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, Yes
Beau Miller, Yes
Mark Sattler, Yes

Motion carried.

Fire Department: Chief Tony Parasiliti was unable to join us for the meeting as he was holding an

Officer's Meeting for the Fire Department. He sent a written report:

Chief Parasiliti is having his Officers meeting tonight and we are planning to resume in station training in February

Today JTFD was able to provide Engine 31 and Utility 31 for the fallen Toledo Police Officer we were staged at Douglas Rd and Central Ave.

Calls for our department have been quiet for now.

Some of our firefighters are receiving the second vaccine and so far, no real problems that I have heard.

Sometimes we are having two Sheriff officers on a shift, and I am told that Sheriff Navarre will provide this when manpower is available.

Computer Xtreme has updated all of our computers in the station and working well.

Question for Trustees have you received the 2021 employment posters yet?

I did renew the contract with our EAP assistance provider (note) no change in this cost for this year.

Joel shared the Dispatching contract with City of Oregon that you will sign, I think that this is great that the cost has not increased.

We have Paul Jones and Paul Mullen and Jim Wolfe all submitting Grants for Wildland supplies, New Tanker, and a Joint Radio Grant with other departments.

Recreation: Mike Skitowski

Mike received one applicant for the Rec. Board. Mike recommended the following appointments:

1. James Wolfe to the Recreation Board. Term expires 12/31/2025

David Bench moved to approve this appointment. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

Beau Miller, Yes
Mark Sattler, Yes
David Bench, Yes

Motion carried

2. Bob Graham be reappointed to another term. Term expires 12/31/2024

David Bench moved to approve this appointment. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

Beau Miller, Yes
Mark Sattler, Yes
David Bench, Yes

Motion carried

3. Jim Measel be reappointed to another term. Term expires 12/31/2026

David Bench moved to approve this appointment. Seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

Beau Miller, Yes
Mark Sattler, Yes
David Bench, Yes

Motion carried

Zoning: Linda Rossler

Linda discussed applicants to the Zoning Board and Board of Zoning Appeals. It was pointed out that our social media call for applicants stated that applications will be accepted until the end of January. Linda has forwarded applications received through last week. Applications received through the end of January will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees for review, interviews (if necessary) and appointment. Linda is asked for her recommendations for the Board of Trustees to consider.

The matter was tabled until the February meeting.

Maintenance: Kevin Chapman

1. Kevin is securing pricing on Lay-Flat hose for pumping. A local vendor's price is \$65.00 per foot and an out-of-state vendor's pricing is \$38.00 per foot. Kevin is requesting specifications before making a selection. The cost of the purchase will be reimbursed from Storm Water monies. He plans to purchase either 50' or 100', depending upon the price tier.
2. Two snow events have occurred since last meeting. Our standard approach for light snowfall (1" - 2") is to plow the roads but only spread salt at Stop Sign intersections. The reason for this is that our black asphalt or fog-sealed tar & chip roads absorb the heat from the sunlight and generally melt any residual snow within a few hours. To salt all of the roads when we have only a light snowfall is extremely expensive and generally unnecessary.
3. Mower maintenance in preparation for Summer is beginning
4. The cemetery expansion is on hold until the clay soil dries out. Currently the clay soil is too wet to permit further progress with the heavy equipment.
5. Our Township generator will require additional service in 2-3 years. This will extend the generator's life for another 30-40 years. In the meantime, Kevin has made some modifications that will carry us through the next 2-3 years until Township funds have accumulated to fund the additional service.

Cemetery: Kevin Chapman – please see #3 above.

Trustee Reports:

Cemetery – Nothing to add.

Hall Rental – Only small groups are being accommodated due to COVID-19. It was agreed that the Hall will not be made available for large groups for the month of February due to the COVID-19 health risk.

Roads – As Kevin reported last meeting, the western half of Lagoon Drive (between the Community

Park and Marais will have stone added to the South shoulder to protect against ruts when two vehicles must pass on the narrow road and one runs off the road edge into the mucky soil.

Old Business:

1. Township owned properties – one of the small, non-buildable township-owned properties (at Howard & Route 2) will be sold to the adjacent property owner for the conveyance fee cost + \$1.00. Beau will continue to work with Linda on the other properties.
2. Ohio Township Association Winter Conference. February 1 – 5, 2021 – This conference is virtual this year. Mark Sattler has signed up to attend and will share information with the Township Trustees and staff as appropriate.
3. Trash pickup savings options for 2021 – Republic is correcting our dumpster billing from weekly to every other week. As we get closer to Spring, we will discuss whether to suspend Unlimited Pick-up for 2021 or whether we adopt a limited “drop-off” arrangement. The 2020 Unlimited Pick-up cost the Township \$20,000 and with COVID-19, our revenues are down significantly.
4. Ditch petitions – Dave is continuing to follow-up on the ditch petitions.
5. Review of Zoning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Recreation Board Membership and Term Dates - Rec Board was addressed above. Zoning Board and BZA was tabled for the next meeting.
6. Kennedy Park – Beau presented letters (and referenced those previously presented) from the following individuals in support of the proposed wetlands and prairie restoration project at the John T. Kennedy park:
 - Mark Witt, ODNR Private Lands Biologist
 - Russ Terry, Regional Biologist, Ducks Unlimited
 - Jeff Finn, Fish & Wildlife Service
 - School Board letter of commitment
 - Adjacent property owner letter of approval

Beau Miller moved that the proposed project be approved to proceed. David Bench seconded with roll call as follows:

Beau Miller, Yes
Mark Sattler, Yes
David Bench, Yes

Motion carried

7. Salt Shed Cleanup – Dave Bench will investigate some trees to plant in the Spring that will screen the Salt Shed from view of the road. Dave will report back at a future meeting.
8. Other – 911 Consolidation – Mark Sattler reported that the County continues to discuss the 911 Consolidation funding with the various jurisdictions in Lucas County. In December, 2019 the 911

Consolidation Regional Council Of Governments adopted an Incident/Use-based method of allocating the cost of the operation. Various local governments continue to discuss how much this will cost them and how they will pay for it, particularly with the funding shortfalls all are experiencing from COVID-19. The group will meet again (virtually) in two weeks. This new funding requirement is of great concern to all regional governments, particularly Townships who have no local income tax funding source.

New Business:

1. Sheriff – Mark Sattler is in contact with Sheriff Navarre's office to arrange for an opportunity for the community to ask questions of Sheriff Navarre about the future of road patrols and a Sheriff Deputy presence in Jerusalem Township.
2. Metro Press Bear picture – David Bench spoke with wildlife experts and local residents who have trail cameras positioned in the area. All stated that there was no evidence of a bear in the area. They suspected that the blurry sighting could have been a silhouette or a prank.

Public Participation:

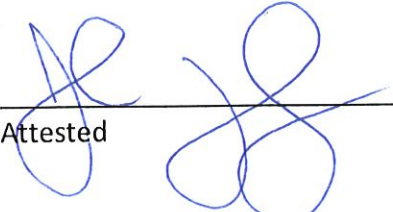
None

Adjournment:

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

Beau Miller, Yes
Dave Bench, Yes
Mark Sattler, Yes

Motion carried at 8:05 p.m.



Attested



Approved