

Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees Meeting Held on July 27, 2021

The Board of Trustees of Jerusalem Township met in-person in Township Chambers at 9501 Jerusalem Road and by virtual session through Zoom Meeting Online on the above date at 7:00 p.m.

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 June 22nd, 2021 Regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

After review by the board, Mark Sattler made a motion to accept the June 30th, 2021 Special meeting minutes. Seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

After review by the board, Beau Miller made a motion to accept the July 24th, 2021 Special meeting minutes. Seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes Beau Miller, yes Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer: Joel Moszkowicz

The Fiscal Officer indicated a fund status of \$598,193.50 in pooled investments and \$226,302.04 in our checking account. We made payments with warrants 19851-19946 and electronic payments 89-2021 through 91-2021 totaling \$76,429.77. Deposits since last meeting made totaling \$51,848.00. Mark Sattler 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.

Joel Moszkowicz shared a memorandum of agreement the board needs to review and approve for our accounts through Croghan Colonial Bank. This agreement will extend our contract with Croghan Colonial Bank for the next five years. Motion was made to continue with Croghan bank by Mark Sattler, seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Fire Department: Tony Parasiliti

Tony reported our department is assisting neighboring departments with mutual aid calls. Tony also thanked everyone for supporting the Fire Department Association with their annual Chicken BBQ. Tony reported that the Kennedy Memorial Park sign has been recreated and will be installed soon at the entrance behind the recycle center. Tony is having the storage barns next door repainted and the roof resealed.

Tony shared with the board the upcoming September consolidated dispatching information including the proposed costs. Mark Sattler attended a recent meeting and was told the 2021 4th quarter fees will be held until 2022 because of the late preparation of the dispatching formation. Tony had reported ODNR would like to donate a 2004 26' Boston Whaler boat they are taking out service. He shared with the board of trustee's photos, the boat has 2014 motors and it does work. Beau Miller asked would the boat be wrapped and where it would be kept. Tony reported it would be kept at Meinke Marina, it would be wrapped and parked, we do not have a large enough building to store inside. Tony also said the boat is setup to accept divers as well. The boat would not have any radios or light bars but the Department is able to setup with the correct radios and lighting.

Mark Sattler made a motion to accept the donation, seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Recreation: Mike Skitowski

Mike reported baseball and tee-ball programs are finished. Football conditioning starts tomorrow, teams and practicing will follow soon. Soccer and flag football registration continues. Some practices where cancelled due to water but he is managing well.

Mike has submitted his letter of resignation for the position of recreation but will stay on until his replacement is found. He has reported to the board that he is working on some replacements. The board will accept his resignation once the three candidates are presented to the board. All are in agreement. Mike reported he has served over 13 years, the board thanks him for all the time given back to the Township.

Zoning: Linda Rossler

No report, not in attendance.

Dave Bench shared an email from the Zoning Inspector to have the board of trustees approve grass cuttings at the below parcels:

3364877

3364871

3364874

3364867

Beau Miller made a motion to have the Township cut these parcels, seconded by Mark Sattler will roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Mark Sattler made a motion to have the Township cut the tall grass and weeds at parcel #3375321 to be cut after August 6th. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes Beau Miller, yes Mark Sattler, yes 3 of 6 Motion carried.

Maintenance: Kevin Chapman

Mowing continues, finishing the grounds, recreation and cemetery. He hopes to get back on road mowing next week. Large truck goes in Monday the 9th to Bakers Collision to have the cab repaired.

Kevin ordered salt through Lucas County totaling 100 ton, \$5,916.00 with no cost of delivery as the County will deliver when they come out this way. The Fiscal Officer recently billed the County for June and July for Cedar Point Road pumping and should receive soon. Kevin noticed the hot water tank was not working in the hall but repairs are made.

Cemetery: Kevin Chapman

Kevin reported he sold four graves since last meeting. Kevin had a special request for a specific head stone foundation, the board would ask that the deed lists specifics for the foundation and that we are not responsible to move it. No action was taken at this time by the board.

<u>Trustee Reports:</u>

Cemetery - no update

Hall Rental – two rentals since last meeting

Roads – no update

Old Business:

- 1. Trash Beau Miller reported we had two public meetings. He did follow up with Waste Management who had contacted the Township, Waste Management will provide a bid for service. Mark Sattler is going to ask Republic Services to also provide a bid, all being the same with the Klumm Brothers.
- 2. Sheriff Patrol Mark Sattler had a meeting with the City of Oregon, Police Division and the city Leadership on June 23rd. The City of Oregon will only be responding as a backup for the Lucas County Sheriffs calls the receive. They are not willing to provide a quote for road patrols. January 1, 2023 the Lucas County Sheriff will no longer provide road patrols.

Lonnie Hart - asked how many agencies have we spoken with, the board indicated we have three, Ottawa County, Ohio Department of Natural Resources and the City of Oregon. Ottawa County gave an estimate of \$130,000.00 to the board of trustees which is only for road patrol of 40 hours a week.

Janice Fehn – asked if all Townships have to pay for road patrols. The Lucas County Sheriff indicated that Townships do not have a local income tax or police force therefore you depend upon the County Sheriff but that Jerusalem Township is not paying their portion of the road

patrol. Mark indicated that 7 of the 8 Townships are on the Western edge of Lucas County, but Jerusalem Township is on its own on the Eastern end.

3. American Rescue Plan - the fiscal officer asked the board of trustees to move to accept the potential funds through this program in the amount of \$328,185.07 and appropriate these funds to fund 2272 Corona Virus Relief fund.

Mark Sattler made a motion to accept future funds through the American Rescue Plan and appropriate \$328,185.07 as indicated by the Ohio Office of Budget and Management to the 2272 fund. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

- 4. Township Comprehensive Plan Elvis Sheppard shared that he had over 500 respondents to the survey that recently concluded and had a summary or high-level overview of some key points he wanted to share with all present tonight. He will be posting on the township website these results in the future for public view.
- 5. TMACOG Caucus Tuesday August 3rd virtual at 1:30 p.m., Mark Sattler looked for a volunteer to attend. Dave Bench will try and attend with Mark Sattler and Beau Miller also checking their schedules to attend online.
- 6. Executive Session Wilhelm tabled

New Business:

1. Anita Lopez County Auditor - the Lucas County auditor is going to issue new property values as it is done every 3 years with the last one in 2018. She expressed some concerns on the current and future interest rates, factors with cost of construction inflation, trends in foreclosures. She reported that the State recommends a 18-19% increase. Ms. Lopez reviewed with the audience some properties on Lucas County Aries and discussed how they are going to determine what the future tax on your property will look like. She is aware of the high sale price of homes and the low interest and the homes that are comparable to your property to help identify trends and home values for tax purposes. She argues against the states recommendation because she feels these inflated home values are not accurate in the determination of the value of the home. The County Auditor is going to send out notices of the upcoming valuation investigation. She is looking for citizen input and provided her contact information and wants to let everyone in Lucas County that she is interested in ensuring that what she does with the values and the State of Ohio to ensure the property values are fair. She is not going rubber stamp the values provided form the State, she is more knowledge and expertise to ensure a fair and accurate property value is determined. Beau Miller asked Anita Lopez about how they determine the property value and age of homes. She commented that the age of home is a

determining factor in property value determination. She also volunteered a future meeting with some support staff once the process goes out possibility in the hall.

- 2. LCTA Annual Meeting August 26, 2021 reminder for board to attend.
- 3. Simplify Financial Statement for Minutes tabled
- 4. July 13th Regional Council Meeting Mark Sattler made mention of the meeting he attended. We are 0.13% of the total consolidated dispatching budget, our portion will not kick in until 2022 and paid in 2023. Mark indicated it was based on a four-year average of incident totals.
- 5. Howard Marsh Metropark grass cutting was held off until August 1st according to Metropark to get addressed. The concern is over birds that our nesting until then and they have been holding until then to allow the birds time to vacant.
- 6. Trustee Meetings, Zoom Mark Sattler indicated the Attorney General of the State of Ohio required us to have public meetings starting on July 1, 2021. We are currently doing both zoom and in person and will continue both for the rest of 2021.
- 7. WWII Memorial Scale Model Home Dave Bench is following up and thinks that we do not have a place to display inside. The board is going to speak with Marcy Kaptur's office about our concern over display and not having the room.

Public Participation:

Cindy Getzinger - Reminder August 3rd 2:00 pm ditch cleaning petition meeting is at the Township Hall.

Adjournment:

With no further business before the Board Mark Sattler 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 9:15 p.m.

Approved