



Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees Meeting  
Held on April 11, 2023

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

Mark Sattler 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, Beau Miller made a motion to accept the March 28, 2023 Regular meeting minutes. Mark Sattler seconded with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer: Joel Moszkowicz

The Fiscal Officer's report indicated a fund status of \$615,904.10 in pooled investments and \$722,105.38 in our checking account. We made payments with warrants 21618 through 21681 and electronic payments 46-2023 through 49-2023 totaling \$99,541.65. Deposits made since the last meeting total \$5,743.44.

Mark Sattler made a motion to accept the fiscal officer report seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes

Beau Miller, yes  
Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried.

Zoning: Linda Rossler

No report, not in attendance.

Mark Sattler reported that the Zoning Commission has chosen to withdraw their request for Trustee approval of the Proposed Property Maintenance Code. There are several reasons for this. First, the Zoning Commission took into account the Residents' expressed concerns regarding a Property Maintenance Code for Jerusalem Township. Secondly, after the Trustees asked for a Township expert Attorney to review the proposed Property Maintenance Code and shared the resulting edits and comments with the Zoning Commission, the Commission members concluded that the majority of the proposed Property Maintenance Code provisions are already codified in the Ohio Revised Code.

Fire Department: Tony Parasiliti

No report, not in attendance

Food Pantry - Richard Hozak

No report, no one in attendance.

Reno Beach / Howard Farms Conservancy - Elvis Shepherd

No report.

Recreation: Gary Allen

No report, not in attendance.

Maintenance: Kevin Chapman

No report, not in attendance.

Cemetery: Kevin Chapman

No report, not in attendance.

Old Business:

1. Salt Shed Cleanup - Beau Miller reported he has not been in contact with the contractor to address the scope of project changes.
2. Elliston Road Drainage - Dave Bench reported no update from ODOT on the flapper gate.
3. \$3,000 limit Spending - the fiscal officer wanted to remind all department heads and the board of trustees that at the Organizational meeting, the board set an expenditure maximum without board approval. He noted that not everyone is following this policy. The Fiscal Officer is considering denying payment of any invoices over \$3,000.00 unless they have board authorization. The only exception will be emergency situations such as a truck breaking down and in need of emergency repairs. Few other transactions meet that condition.
4. Noise Complaint - Dave Bench reported he is working with the Ohio EPA to see what options are available to address the noise complaint made regarding Lake Erie Tree.
5. Ditch Petition - Dave Bench reported that the County Engineer is going to start ditch maintenance this fall.
6. Salt Purchase - Beau Miller reported he wants to table this item until the Road Superintendent Kevin is in attendance.
7. Route 2 Signage - Mark Sattler shared some draft sign designs he received before the start of the meeting, these are 6' wide by 2' to 3' tall. He shared 4 different designs with the board for future discussion. These signs are for the East and West Township borders on State Route 2.

New Business

1. Township Properties for Sale Bids

Beau Miller shared all the sealed offers with the board from the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter submitted to the Township for Township owned properties:

Parcel	Name	Amount
3373741	Hank Fukui	3000.00
3373734	Hank Fukui	2000.00
3372377	Mike Szuch	1300.00
3371177	Dana Bollin	100.00
3370707	Dana Bollin	100.00
3370704	Dana Bollin	100.00
3370017	Dana Bollin	100.00

3370351	Dana Bollin	100.00
3370701	Dana Bollin	100.00
3370697	Dana Bollin	100.00
3369751	Dana Bollin	100.00
3369641	Dana Bollin	100.00
3372377	Paul Migliore	900.00
3362107	Paul Migliore	1001.00
3371237	Paul Migliore	1001.00
3372034	Paul Migliore	500.00
3370707	Paul Migliore	152.00
3370704	Paul Migliore	151.00
3370701	Paul Migliore	150.00
3370697	Paul Migliore	125.00
3377327	James Howell	600.00
3377331	James Howell	5000.00
3369614	Jeff Rahla	60.00

Mark Sattler moved to go into Executive Session under Rule 3358:17-1-04.2, Executive Session to consider the purchase of property (both real and personal, tangible or intangible), or to consider the sale of property (either real or personal) by competitive bid if disclosure of the information would give a competitive advantage to the other side by division (G)(2) of section 121.22 of the Revised Code. Seconded by Beau Miller

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

Motion carried at 7:29 p.m.

Mark Sattler moved to return to the regular session with no decisions made during the executive session. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried at 7:29 p.m.

Beau made a motion to accept the below offers:

Parcel	Name	Amount
3377327	James Howell	600.00
3377331	James Howell	5000.00
3373741	Hank Fukui	3000.00
3373734	Hank Fukui	2000.00
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3362107	Paul Migliore	1001.00
3371237	Paul Migliore	1001.00
3372034	Paul Migliore	500.00
3370707	Paul Migliore	152.00
3370704	Paul Migliore	151.00
3370701	Paul Migliore	150.00
3370697	Paul Migliore	125.00
3371177	Dana Bollin	100.00
3370017	Dana Bollin	100.00
3370351	Dana Bollin	100.00
3369751	Dana Bollin	100.00
3369641	Dana Bollin	100.00

Seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Mark Satter indicated the zoning inspector is waiting on a response from legal counsel to see if multiple parcels being purchased by a single purchaser can be bundled with only a single transfer fee being assessed (rather than a separate fee for each parcel) but wanted to let all purchasers know that the sale price of the property does not include the transfer fee.

Mark Sattler also indicated there are more properties for sale that will be posted for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter offers.

2. Liquor Permit Transfer - Mark Sattler shared a request for 361 North Teachout from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control asking the Township if they would like to request a hearing for the transfer of a liquor permit from the previous owners of the now closed not in operation bar/restaurant in front of Lake Erie Lodge to the new owners. All on the board have no concern over the transfer and do not request a hearing. The Fiscal Officer will handle the response to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control.

### Upcoming Meetings and Events

US Army Corp of Engineers – On April 4, 2023, the new head of US Army Corp. of Engineers (USACE) for Ohio participated in a tour with Trustee Mark Sattler, Vernon Meinke, and Marc Gradel of the Cooley Canal and Harbor and was asked to consider funding the requested dredging. A member of U.S. Representative Marcy Kaptur’s office also participated and agreed to advocate for the necessary funding in the 2024 USACE budget.

North and Dike Cleanup - Beau Miller wanted to thank all the volunteers that came out on April 8<sup>th</sup>.

Western Basin Lake Erie Roundtable – Trustee Mark Sattler attended the April 11, 2023 Roundtable with U.S. Representative Marcy Kaptur and shared his take aways with all.

911 TAC Meeting - will take place on April 12, 2023, Dave Bench is attending for the Township.

LCTA Annual Meeting - will take place on April 13, 2023, unsure if anyone is attending on behalf of the Township.

Davis Besse FEMA Evaluation - will take place May 2, 2023 10:00 a.m.

Prism Award Banquet - May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023

### Public Participation

Barb Gall - wanted to know if the US Army Corp of Engineers addressed the need for dredging of the designated “Safe Harbor” at the mouth of the Cooley Canal. The “Safe Harbor” has become so shallow and filled with silt that any craft drawing more than a foot is at risk of running aground. Mark Sattler explained that this situation was pointed out by Marc Gradel and Vernon Meinke and the US Army Corp of engineers is aware of the need for dredging and will seek funding for 2024.

Dana Bollin - asked if consideration was given to adjacent property owners when making the decision on the offers from the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. Beau Miller indicated it was based on the amount offered but local property owners whose residence is adjacent to the property on which the offer was made were given preference. She wanted to make mention of the Biggest Week of American Birding, May 5<sup>th</sup> through the 14<sup>th</sup>. Second, she asked the board of trustees how much money was spent pursuing the

property maintenance code including both the zoning inspector and legal counsel. Mark Sattler asked the fiscal officer to record and fulfill the request. This will be handled as a public records request.

Lastly in regard to her lawsuit against the Township and her assessment of her 40 x 80 parcel and her \$500 mowing assessment, she asked the board how Cindy Bench can sell native wildflowers, but she cannot grow them on her own property in her own beds. Mark Sattler indicated he can ask the zoning inspector and zoning commission to look at her concern. He asked the fiscal officer to capture the request so it can be forwarded to Zoning for a response. It was pointed out that rules for zoned neighborhoods require that plantings and foliage must be properly maintained.

Karen Wilhelm - asked the board if they have collected a bed and breakfast tax and whether that is different from the hotel tax. Mark Sattler responded that these are one in the same and fall under the 3% Transient Lodging Tax which is collected by the Township from bed and breakfasts as well as the Maumee Bay Lodge and Lake Erie Lodge.

Bill Tank - asked if the new owner for Lake Erie Lodge is a U.S. citizen? Mark Sattler responded he is not sure. Bill reported he feels that if the new owners are not U.S. Citizens it would be difficult if there were any issues. It was pointed out to Mr. Tank that this matter is under the jurisdiction of the State of Ohio Department of Liquor Control. The Jerusalem Township Board Of Trustees does not object to the transfer of the liquor permit and does not request a hearing. Mr. Tank is free to contact the State Of Ohio Department of Liquor Control to discuss his concerns regarding the new owner's residence and citizenship.

Sandra Nissen - regarding the four designs for the sign. She suggested maybe the board should post the four designs on the internet and allow people to vote and provide input. It was pointed out to Ms. Nissen that the Trustees were elected to make decisions on behalf of the Township and slight color options are not required to be put to a popular vote.

Michael O'Rourke - was hoping to hear something from the Fire Department regarding dry hydrants. Mark Sattler reported this is a standing agenda item and that the Fire Chief is actively researching locations for dry hydrants (to access water sources such as canals) and is also working with the Reno Beach / Howard Farms Conservancy District to consider modifying pumps to allow Fire Department access.


#### Adjournment:

Beau Miller made a motion to adjourn tonight's meeting. Seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried at 8:19 p.m.

Attested

A handwritten signature consisting of a large, stylized letter 'A' with a loop at the top and a tail that curves back to the left.

Approved

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'M. C. S. B.', written over a horizontal line.



**Fund Status**

As Of 4/11/2023

Fund Number	Fund Name	% of Total Pooled	Fund Balance	Investments (Non-Pooled)	Checking & Pooled Investments (Pooled)
1000	General	16.193%	\$216,667.01	\$0.00	\$216,667.01
2011	Motor Vehicle License Tax	2.011%	\$26,901.43	\$0.00	\$26,901.43
2021	Gasoline Tax	15.344%	\$205,305.51	\$0.00	\$205,305.51
2031	Road and Bridge	12.925%	\$172,937.25	\$0.00	\$172,937.25
2041	Cemetery	2.700%	\$36,130.35	\$0.00	\$36,130.35
2181	Zoning	0.000%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2191	Fire Levy	31.988%	\$428,013.73	\$0.00	\$428,013.73
2192	Recreation Levy	3.787%	\$50,672.42	\$0.00	\$50,672.42
2231	Permissive Motor Vehicle License Tax	5.865%	\$78,469.91	\$0.00	\$78,469.91
2273	Coronavirus Relief Fund	8.920%	\$119,345.30	\$0.00	\$119,345.30
2401	Curtice Lighting Assessment	0.149%	\$1,995.42	\$0.00	\$1,995.42
2402	Bono Lighting Assessment	0.055%	\$731.19	\$0.00	\$731.19
3301	Garbage Assessment	0.063%	\$839.96	\$0.00	\$839.96
All Funds Total			\$1,338,009.48	\$0.00	\$1,338,009.48
Pooled Investments					\$615,904.10
Secondary Checking Accounts					\$0.00
Available Primary Checking Balance					\$722,105.38

Last reconciled to bank: 03/31/2023 – Total other adjusting factors: \$0.00