

Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees Meeting Held on March 28, 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 14, 2023 Regular meeting minutes. Dave Bench 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 \$613,354.96 in pooled investments and \$763,946.11 in our checking account. We made payments with warrants 21576 through 21624 totaling \$75,597.60. Deposits made since the last meeting are \$379,856.08.

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

Dave Bench, yes Beau Miller, yes

Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried.

Zoning: Linda Rossler

Linda would like a motion to place a notice in the Press regarding tall grass and weeds.

Beau Miller made a motion and was seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

She also reported she has received only one applicant to date for the part time officer worker position. She would like a motion to post the help wanted in The Press.

Dave Bench made a motion and was seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Legal: 558 Beachview, Straka blight, case continued to April 14, 11am
James McMaster/ Tower St Investments LLC; blight, Howard & Jerusalem Road properties,
court date March 31

Permits:

1720 Short, Acc. Bldg.1042 S. Decant, Remodel

11854 Corduroy, Fence 10950 Corduroy, Sign

Fire Department: Tony Parasiliti

Safety Message: None

Runs to Date: Over 90

Tony is looking for a motion to approve the purchase of a refurbished Lifepak 15. This would be a second unit for the backup ambulance. He also reported Lucas County is giving the department the Lifepak 15 we currently are using. He also reported this purchase agreement has a 3-year warranty

and it was recommended by a department member who purchased these same units for the Toledo Refining Company.

Beau Miller made a motion to approve the purchase not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a refurbished Lifepak15. Seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Tony also would like the board to approve payment for a 2022 invoice from Biocare Inc. in the amount of \$3,910.00. He only just now received the outstanding invoice.

Dave Bench made a motion to approve the expenditure, seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows;

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

Motion carried.

Lastly, he wanted to thank Charles Flack for securing a \$10,000.00 Ohio Department of Commerce grant for SCBA's. He reported that other departments submitted for the same grant and received about the same award as our department.

Food Pantry - Richard Hozak

No report, no one in attendance.

Reno Beach / Howard Farms Conservancy - Elvis Shepherd

Reported that Gladieux lumber donated materials for the installation of the Staff Gauges (water level markers).

Recreation: Gary Allen joined via Zoom

All is running smooth. Baseball/softball teams are already practicing on the fields (weather permitting). Always looking for volunteer coaches to help. Please let me know if you would be interested in helping to coach.

Parkfest update: need to check in with my rec board on their contacts. We divided up contact

information of businesses involved with Parkfest last year. Will have a more detailed update at the next meeting

Jerusalem fun day update: we are all on for Wednesday May 24th from 5-7pm at Jerusalem Elementary. Working on a flyer now. Open to all for a fun time. Will have food trucks and lots of games.

Field turf pick up is tentatively scheduled for next Thursday April 6th. HUGE thank you to Dave Bench for helping transport the rolls. These will be a great addition to our facilities.

Maintenance: Kevin Chapman

Reported he is receiving free salt spreaders that mount on the back of dump trucks from the Lucas County Engineers office.

Cemetery: Kevin Chapman

He reported one funeral burial coming up.

Old Business:

1. Salt Shed Cleanup - Beau Miller reported that he has secured a firm answer from the one vendor on how and where the debris will be disposed of from the site. Dave Bench is okay with proceeding however he does not feel they need to move the bins. Beau Miller reported that the project is now on hold until further conversation takes place. All agree that the demolition of the root cellar at the old training center site can proceed.

2. ODOT Report - Dave Bench

Elliston Road drainage
Township sign at route 2 - working to get completed with progress being made.
Traffic light timing - resolved, ODOT confirmed working properly
Route 2 / Donovan Road guardrail - repaired by Lucas County Engineers
Corduroy Road Bridge - project is delayed and will start later in year on September 5th through
November 3rd, 2023

- 3. Coastal Resiliency Grant Update Mark Sattler reported an update with the Civil and Environment Consultants. Kickoff occurred on March 22nd, 2023 with all interested parties in attendance.
- 4. Lake Access Cleanup Beau Miller shared two dates for the beach cleanup, April 8th or if rain the following Saturday. He will take down any names of audience members who are willing to help with the effort.

5. Friends of Jerusalem Township CIC - Mark Sattler reported the topic is tabled due to new information from the County Prosecutor that Lucas County already has a CIC established. Further research will be completed.

New Business

- 1. Lucas County EMS Life Squad Mark Sattler provided an update he received from Matt Heyrman of the Lucas County Commissioners Office regarding the planned elimination of the Lucas County EMS service. He reported that the direction that Lucas County EMS is going is to discontinue operations by the end of the year 2023. All the Lucas County fire chiefs are aware, and some want this to take place so they can receive the transport billing for ALS type calls. The board is not aware of any specific measures our department is taking for ALS service through the City of Oregon. He also reported that the requirements for two paramedics staffing every squad are being reduced to one paramedic and one EMT.
- 2. Law Enforcement in Jerusalem Township Mark Sattler reported on a discussion he had with Sheriff Navarre regarding law enforcement presence in our community. Sheriff Navarre explained that a few months ago the Sheriff's department lost some of their road patrol deputies, but those replacements are ready for the road. If the Sheriff's staffing for the shift is at 6 Deputies, then one deputy will be assigned 100% to Jerusalem Township. If staffing falls to 5 per shift, one deputy will spend 50% of their time in Jerusalem Township. If staffing levels fall to 4 per shift no deputy is assigned to our jurisdiction. However, overtime is offered to reach a staffing level of 5 Deputies.
- 3. Release of Liability and Waiver Beau Miller received a revised release from the County Prosecutor to be used for any Township event. This form was shared with all members.
- 4. Oath of Office Mark Sattler developed an oath of office template that can be used by the various committees for its members. The board agreed that each committee member would be sworn in for each term. The Board also agreed that all Township employees will also be sworn in.
- 5. Health Department Survey Mark Sattler shared a notice from the County Health Department that specific addresses in the Curtice area have been identified for sampling. He will have the letter posted on the Township website.
- 6. Lake Erie Tree Noise Complaint Dave Bench received a complaint about noise taking place during the day at Lake Erie Tree. This noise occurs during normal business operations.
- 7. Prism Award Mark Sattler reported that the fire department association was nominated for the Eastern Maumee Bay Chamber of Commerce Prism Award as "Non-Profit Of The Year". He believes the Fire Chief is planning to attend along with one or more representatives at the cost of \$75.00 per person to attend a banquet ceremony.

- 8. Veler Road Beau Miller reported to all that the Lucas County Engineers office is turning over the entire Veler road to Jerusalem Township. He did report the County will resurface the road before turning it over.
- 9. 2191 Fire Fund Increase The Fiscal Officer requested from the board of trustees an increase to the 2191 Permanent Appropriations for 2023 due to the lack of communication from the Fire Department for the recent approved purchase of the Lifepak 15 and unplanned expenditure in 2023. He required the board approval of the \$50,000.00 increase to the overall 2023 original appropriation.

Beau Miller made a motion to increase the 2191 appropriation by \$50,000.00, seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Davis Besse EOC Drill - Tuesday March 28, 2023 - Dave Bench attended on behalf of the Township and reported back about the tabletop exercise.

Lucas County Township Association Annual Meeting - April 13, 2023

Davis Besse FEMA Evaluation - Tuesday May 2, 2023, 10am to 11am

Public Participation

Dennis Rudzinski - wanted to state his opposition to the property maintenance code and the zoning regulation prohibiting shipping containers. Mark Sattler reported the zoning commission is reviewing the property maintenance code and if it is brought to the trustees for approval, he indicated a special meeting will take place to invite public comments before the Trustees vote on the issue.

Maggie Adeler - suggested to the board that the Sheriff's office could provide training to the fire department for traffic control. Beau Miller reported he will make mention to the Fire Chief.

James Boothby - felt that the Lucas County EMS change to reduce the requirements from having two paramedics to one EMT and one paramedic is a mistake.

Dana Bohland - asked the board about the status of the Kennedy Park development. Beau Miller reported that some effort has been made to expand the parking lot. He is working with the schools on mowing paths and the maintenance department must get back out to finish the work on the parking lot expansion. Second, she asked the board about the status of the CCYC Sunday liquor license Issue

that will appear on the May, 2023 Voters Ballot and the fees the Township is being charged. Mark Sattler reported that a written agreement between the Board of the Trustees and the leadership of the CCYC was signed at the February 14, 2023 Trustees meeting by the Commodore of the Cooley Canal Yacht Club (CCYC) that CCYC will pay any and all fees associated with the ballot issue this May. She also shared with the board of trustees a recent Press article that other government agencies in our area are receiving funding for various utility projects including the village of Genoa. Mark Sattler reported no utility grant projects are currently underway (other than the OLEC Grant) and thanked her for the information.

Sandra Nissen - she asked if the township will have a brush pickup this spring, considering the high winds we have had recently. The board reported no plan on brush chipping and they will defer that request to the road superintendent for follow up. Regarding the property maintenance code, she wanted to know what input the Township received from the hired attorney. Mark Sattler reported that input is with the zoning board. She wanted to know if that information is available for a public records request. Mark Sattler reported he will make that information available in the future. She had asked if she needed to attend a zoning meeting to get that information. Mark Sattler suggested she make a public record request and they can then review the information concerning the property maintenance code from the attorney. She would like to make the request then for what the attorney has provided in regard to feedback or input back to the Township regarding the property maintenance code. She also wanted clarification that if the zoning board requests the board of trustees to consider a property maintenance code, that a special meeting would be held. Mark Sattler reported yes if that happened a special meeting would take place. Lastly, she asked about the community improvement corporation and suggested the board of trustees holds an information meeting to address public concern. Mark reported the community improvement corporation is on hold and if further development occurs a special meeting could be called for public comment on that topic.

Tom Lajiti - made a suggestion to the board to move the public participation on the agenda further up in the agenda. He also asked Beau Miller about the release form discussed earlier in tonight's meeting: is that form a general form that is used for all township activities? Beau Miller confirmed yes. Also, regarding the Lake Erie Tree business on Jerusalem road, he has heard some recent conversations during board of trustee meetings including fires, noise complaints and smoke. Is there anyone monitoring their activities, and can they be billed for the cost of multiple fire department responses? Beau Miller responded that they follow the same Ohio Fire Code as other businesses in the township but he has also spoken to the Fire Chief about some changes to their way of handling the processing of the township, Lastly he wants the board of trustees to address all of the struck telephone poles that are hanging for years now and not addressed by the utility.

Karen Wilhem - asked if Mark Sattler was planning on running for trustee for another term, he responded he is not. She also asked the board of trustees if any of them has shipping containers on their properties. Beau Miller reported he has them at his commercial property, and they were on the property in 2015. Dave Bench reported he also has them.

Anna Buschmann - came tonight to hear more about the community improvement corporation and understands it is being tabled. She is about supporting local businesses and growing our township in regards to tourism and the profits that can be made from it. However, it has been made clear that we do not want industrial development in our Township. She feels that nothing has been openly discussed with the public about why we are looking at a community improvement corporation. The township continues to gain properties without knowing fully the liability and cost. She discussed the property on Corduroy road and the tanks found during demolition.

She is concerned that the board of trustees does not see the liability or the cost to pay those assessments or maintain township owned properties. Just as the township is not seeing what liabilities are made for everyone in the future with a community improvement corporation. Mark Sattler shared the process with the demolition, how the tank clean-up will be handled by the Lucas County Land Bank and the State of Ohio. The Township is not the owner of that property. He also explained that the intent of the community improvement corporation was to develop tourism. Mark also responded about the process of how the Township receives properties

Elvis Shepherd - wanted to first thank the board of trustees for taking on the responsibility of getting rid of township owned properties and wants to recommend that the board drop the idea of a community improvement corporation.

Joe Mabus - asked why is the Township acquiring the properties from the Lucas County Landbank, why are we not just allowing others to secure the property from the Land bank directly. He feels the Township is not in the business of acquiring properties. He and the board discussed back and forth about how lots can be given away to adjacent property owners or split and gave examples of properties just recently that fit that example.

Barb Gall - asked if Lake Erie Tree can be required to have its own water on site just as it was required for the fireworks store that was built. Beau Miller reported those items are regulated by the State Fire Code. One of the fire inspectors, Joel Moszkowicz, reported back about how the Ohio Fire Code is enforced and how commercial properties got developed. Beau Miller reported the fire chief at the time made the decision not to request additional fire protection features such as what happened with Tri County Tire and past fire administrations.

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 9:15 p.m.

Attested

Approved

JERUSALEM TOWNSHIP, LUCAS COUNTY

Fund Status As Of 3/28/2023

Fund Number	Fund Name	% of Total Pooled	Fund Balance	Investments (Non-Pooled)	Checking & Pooled Investments (Pooled)
1000	General	16.378%	\$225,575.60	\$0.00	\$225,575.60
2011	Motor Vehicle License Tax	1.950%	\$26,850.85	\$0.00	\$26,850.85
2021	Gasoline Tax	14.981%	\$206,338.49	\$0.00	\$206,338.49
2031	Road and Bridge	13.309%	\$183,303.26	\$0.00	\$183,303.26
2041	Cemetery	2.619%	\$36,067.98	\$0.00	\$36,067.98
2181	Zoning	0.000%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2191	Fire Levy	32.345%	\$445,501.51	\$0.00	\$445,501.51
2192	Recreation Levy	3.807%	\$52,430.74	\$0.00	\$52,430.74
2231	Permissive Motor Vehicle License Tax	5.687%	\$78,322.34	\$0.00	\$78,322.34
2273	Coronavirus Relief Fund	8,665%	\$119,345.30	\$0.00	\$119,345.30
2401	Curtice Lighting Assessment	0.145%	\$1,995.42	\$0.00	\$1,995.42
2402	Bono Lighting Assessment	0.053%	\$731.19	\$0.00	\$731.19
3301	Garbage Assessment	0.061%	\$838.39	\$0.00	\$838.39
		All Funds Total	\$1,377,301.07	\$0.00	\$1,377,301.07
		Av	Pool Secondary Che ailable Primary Ch		\$613,354.96 \$0.00 \$763,946.11

ast reconciled to bank: 02/28/2023 - Total other adjusting factors: \$0.00