



Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
Held on June 27, 2023

The Board of Trustees of Jerusalem Township met in-person in the Township Trustee Chambers at 9501 Jerusalem Road at 5:00 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, absent
Dave Bench, present
Mark Sattler, present

Approval of Previous Minutes:

After review by the board, Dave Bench made a motion to accept the June 13, 2023 Regular meeting minutes. Mark Sattler seconded with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer: Joel Moszkowicz

Not in attendance. Report read by Trustee Mark Sattler.

The Fiscal Officer's report indicated a fund status of \$621,218.89 in pooled investments and \$754,531.14 in our checking account. We made payments with warrants 21807 through 21834 totaling \$21,491.51. Deposits made since the last meeting total \$6,898.86.

Dave Bench made a motion to approve the report as read. Seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes

Beau Miller, absent
Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried.

Zoning Department: Linda Rossler

No report, not in attendance.

Recreation Department: Gary Allen (via Zoom)

Parkfest update:

Friday August 11th and Saturday August 12th. Family event at Jerusalem Elementary at noon. Free food, tractors, family games, water games by the Jerusalem Township Fire department. Should be a great time. Waiting to hear back from Bono Tavern, Bilge, and Hyflash about specials/bands. Waiting to hear from Wolf Creek Sportsman's club if they want to be involved. Getting more details on a kayaking event at Howard Marsh.

Youth sports:

Baseball and softball seasons are in full effect. Things are going well

Girl's flag football has 12 total teams (90 total girls). Many are from Jerusalem Township. Games start July 12th.

Looking to revamp Joe Verb Park. Going to install a grill, add another picnic table, and add a couple soccer goals over there. Should complete that next week.

Also adding a grill to the rec fields by the pavilion to promote usage of the facility.

Fire Department: Tony Parasiliti

Safety Message: no message

Runs to date: no report

Tony reported the department has been busy with calls. Tony mounted an AED in the community hall for anyone's use in an emergency. Regarding the pumper tanker, he informed the Trustees that he is moving forward with the process of seeking bids from various companies. He provided the Trustees some draft specs and pricing from three different options. He shared pros and cons for each option. He is working on cleaning up the mayflies around the station and has ordered parts to replace the AC unit on M31.

Maintenance Department: Kevin Chapman

Road mowing continues. Both Kevin and Eric will be on and off with vacations coming up in July.

Cemetery: Kevin Chapman

Two burials at cemetery since last meeting. Mowing continues along with some additional seeding in the new addition part. Fertilizer has been applied especially in the back section. Spray was applied around the pond through the rocks.

Food Pantry:

Reno Beach / Howard Farms Conservancy District: Elvis Shepherd

Reported they have a new member for the board that will start in July, 2023.

Old Business:

1. Ditch Project Rachel and East - Dave Bench reported he received confirmation from the Engineer's office that he can start the bid process for the tile work.
2. Elliston and State Route 2 - Dave Bench reported he is waiting for the State and a good South wind to push water away so they can complete the work.
3. Route 2 Signage - Dave Bench reported the signs are installed and they look nice.
4. New Truck - Dave Bench made a motion to buy a 2024 Western Star 47X for the maintenance department. The truck includes a snow package for snow removal, spreader and pre wet 75-gallon system. The total unit price is \$ 206,963.63 less total cash down payment of \$100,000.00 which makes the total municipal lease totaling \$106,963.66 with annual payments of \$25,663.15. Seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Dave Bench also made a motion to spend \$50,000.00 from the ARP fund 2273 for the purchase of the above approved Western Star 47X. Seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Lastly Dave Bench also made a motion to spend \$50,000.00 from the Gasoline Tax fund 2021 for the purchase of the above approved Western Star 47X. Seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

5. Two Stage Ditch - Dave Bench reported no update.

6. Bulk Water Filling Station - Dave Bench reported no update.

New Business:

1. Electric Rates - Mark Sattler reported the information he has learned about letters regarding electric rates in Lucas County. He shared what the Lucas County Commissioners are learning about the changes, and he will send out information as received for the public.

2. Property Sales Withdrawn - Beau Miller asked Mark Sattler to share that the successful bidder on two properties made available during the 1st quarter sale has rescinded her offers. The properties are:

733 Westmore
561 Waterway

Beau Miller had forwarded his recommendation that a 2nd offer from Jeff Rahla for \$60.00 for the 561 Waterway property be considered by the trustees.

Mark Sattler moved that we accept the offer for 561 Waterway from Jeff Rahla in the amount of \$60.00. Seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

3. July and August Board of Trustee Meetings - Mark Sattler made a motion to cancel the July 25th Board of Trustee meeting due to scheduled vacations and the August 8th meeting due to the Special Election that day. Seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Public Participation:

Jim Rhine - having trouble with his next-door neighbor. Asked him not to park in front of the fire hydrant. They park up to five vehicles halfway in the street. He provided the person's name and address. Trustees will discuss this with the Zoning Inspector.

James Boothby – Expressed concerns regarding the property on Greenwood in Bono. Will this property be cleaned up?

Scott Henninger - asked the board of trustees to clarify that individuals need to sign up before the meeting and the conversation the board had with the County Prosecutor. Mark Sattler indicated that County Prosecutor shared with the board of trustee's various changes they can make including a time limit of three minutes per person for public comments to the board. He also shared that if someone acts in a disruptive manner that could be removed from the meeting. Scott asked what issues the board has been facing from the public comments during a meeting, and Mark responded that certain individuals are displaying behavior that is disruptive and attention seeking during the meetings. Scott indicated he does not feel anyone should have to sign up for public comment. Dave and Mark both indicated many jurisdictions conduct their meetings in a similar way including asking the public to sign indicating they would like to participate in the public comment period.

Sandra Lytten - would like to know which Lucas County Prosecutor the board spoke with regarding the above-mentioned concerns of public disruption. Mark Sattler indicated it was John Borell.

Karen Wilhelm - there was a special meeting a while back to hire an assistant, she was not aware of it and wanted to know when the notification took place to residents. Mark Sattler responded that the board of trustees provided a 72-hour notice of the meeting, beyond the required 24 hours and it was posted at Jack's Superette, on the electronic sign out front, the S&G gas station at North Curtice and on the Township door. She also asked the board what the cost would be for the attorney to file the appeal regarding the lawsuit over the tall grass. Mark Sattler reported he does not know the exact cost in advance and that they will receive an invoice after he completes his work but feels it could only be an hour to file the appeal plus court costs.

Bill Tank - wants to express his distaste over the board of trustees preventing individuals from having the right to speak at a public meeting. Mark Sattler responded that the Ohio Open Records Act does provide the public the right to observe a public meeting, but not to be heard. (See paragraphs 1027-1029 <https://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/YellowBook>) He indicated that the Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees extends the privilege to the public to participate with public comments during a Board of trustees meeting.

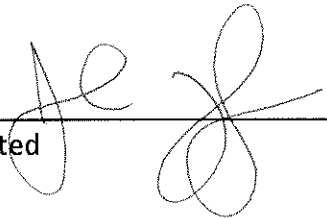
Jill Perkenchinni - from zoom indicated she also has a concern with the neighbor parking as indicated by Jim Rhine.

Adjournment:

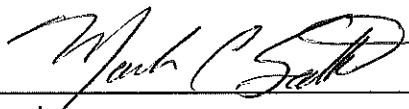
Dave Bench made a motion to adjourn tonight's meeting. Seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

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

Meeting Adjourned 8:07 p.m.



Attested



Approved



Sign-up to offer public comments

Address: 1635 Cedar Brown
Dow Martin

Name	Topic
✓ 1. <u>JIM REIHINC</u>	* Neighbor parking blocking Fire hydrant - Zonns Violating <u>PARKING IN ROAD</u> Dog control ? Greenwood Property in Bona issues also ? Cleanup of Property. ? Jordata Rd
✓ 2. <u>Jim Boothby</u>	
✓ 3. <u>Scott Houser</u>	
✓ 4. <u>Sandra Lytten</u>	various
✓ 5. <u>Koran Wilhelm</u>	hard telling
✓ 6. <u>Bill TRAK</u>	TO NIGHTS MEETING
7. <u>Jill Percocemi -</u>	Parkings on Road - 1635 Cedar Brown Road
8. _____	
9. _____	

Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees will be making a change with regard to Public Comments. The Ohio Sunshine Law gives Community members the right to hear and observe the public proceedings of this Board BUT not the right to be heard. (2023 Ohio Sunshine Law Manual, page 113, clause 1049). Jerusalem Township Trustees have chosen to extend the privilege for public comment, even though it is not required.

On the advice of the Lucas County Prosecutor, John Borell we are implementing the following changes:

- Anyone wishing to be heard at a meeting will first sign up to indicate their intention to comment.
- Each person wishing to speak may have up to 3 minutes.
- Individuals engaging in disruptive behavior forfeit their right to attend meetings and may be removed from the meeting. (2023 Ohio Sunshine Law Manual, page 113, clause 1052)

Members of the community ALWAYS have the opportunity to contact their Elected Officials by phone or e-mail with questions or comments. Contact information is available on the Township Website: <https://twp.jerusalem.oh.us/township-directory/>

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Fund Status

As Of 6/29/2023

Fund Number	Fund Name	% of Total Pooled	Fund Balance	Investments (Non-Pooled)	Checking & Pooled Investments (Pooled)
1000	General	17.771%	\$244,478.77	\$0.00	\$244,478.77
2011	Motor Vehicle License Tax	1.582%	\$21,765.18	\$0.00	\$21,765.18
2021	Gasoline Tax	15.754%	\$216,734.15	\$0.00	\$216,734.15
2031	Road and Bridge	11.016%	\$151,555.61	\$0.00	\$151,555.61
2041	Cemetery	2.522%	\$34,696.92	\$0.00	\$34,696.92
2181	Zoning	0.000%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2191	Fire Levy	29.886%	\$411,161.18	\$0.00	\$411,161.18
2192	Recreation Levy	3.380%	\$46,496.58	\$0.00	\$46,496.58
2231	Permissive Motor Vehicle License Tax	5.894%	\$81,089.15	\$0.00	\$81,089.15
2273	Coronavirus Relief Fund	8.114%	\$111,625.30	\$0.00	\$111,625.30
2401	Curtice Lighting Assessment	0.124%	\$1,711.16	\$0.00	\$1,711.16
2402	Bono Lighting Assessment	0.037%	\$510.07	\$0.00	\$510.07
3301	Garbage Assessment	3.920%	\$53,925.96	\$0.00	\$53,925.96
All Funds Total			\$1,375,750.03	\$0.00	\$1,375,750.03
Pooled Investments					\$621,218.89
Secondary Checking Accounts					\$0.00
Available Primary Checking Balance					\$754,531.14

Last reconciled to bank: 05/31/2023 – Total other adjusting factors: \$0.00