



Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
Held on August 22, 2023

The Board of Trustees of Jerusalem Township met in-person in the Township Trustee Chambers at 9501 Jerusalem Road 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

Special Item: Tony Parasiliti

Jerusalem Township Trustees Resolution for Recognition of Local Heroes

Tony shared the background of the emergency event that took place on August 4th, 2023.

Dave Bench made a motion for the adoption of resolution 08222023-00. Seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Approval of Previous Minutes:

After review by the board, Beau Miller made a motion to accept the July 11, 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 \$626,748.24 in pooled investments and \$712,553.55 in our checking account. We made payments with warrants 21874 through 21986 and electronic payments 92-2023 through 99-2023 totaling \$89,580.08. Deposits made since the last meeting total \$80,272.12.

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

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

Motion carried.

Zoning Department: Linda Rossler

Rob Gearhart reported on behalf of Linda Rossler who was absent.

Resolution: Regulations Regarding Abatement, Control, or Removal of Vegetation, Garbage, Refuse and Other Debris in the Township

Mark Sattler moved to approve resolution 08222023-01, seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

Zoning Update August 2023

Zoning focus for 2023: Zoning Board would like a continued focus on blight, junk vehicles, tall grass & noxious weeds as noted in the Township Comprehensive Plan.

Courtesy notice: 32 Junk car letters sent
 33 Tall grass letters sent

Land Donation: Recommended the Board move forward with Deal/Traver/Love 51 parcel land donation via quit claim deeds. The Board indicated that this had previously been approved and the Zoning department was free to move forward.

Cut Wood Properties: DBA, Lake Erie Tree, several complaints have been received

Items of concern

Wood burner smoke

Wood Processor noise

Offensive odor from site

Use of residential drive for commercial vehicles

C-2 use verses M-1 use

C-2 permitted use Lawn/tree service, Lumber yard (provided saws, planers, processing machines are within a completely enclosed building)

M-1 permitted use Logging/wood storage, Contractor yard/storage

1627 LAWN/TREE SERVICE

Any and all equipment and/or storage of material(s) used in conjunction with a lawn/tree service shall be suitably screened on all sides with fencing and/or landscape material.

1628 STORAGE YARD

Storage yards shall conform to the following requirements:

All areas used for storage shall be effectively screened on all sides by means of a wall or fence and plantings. Walls for fences shall be a minimum of six (6') feet in height with no advertising thereon. A strip of land not less than fifteen (15') feet in width shall be provided on the perimeter of the storage yard and shall be planted and maintained with evergreen hedges or other plant material with year round foliage. The plant material shall be equal to or greater than the height of the fence or wall at the time of planting.

Use of residential drive for commercial vehicles is a reoccurring event. Recommend immediate closure steps to allow for personal vehicles only. Ex. Concrete barriers strategically placed.

Recreation Department: Gary Allen (via Zoom)

Parkfest 2023:

- Successful couple days.
- Kayaking: 22 riders totaling 22 hours on the water kayaking. A huge thank you to Linda Rossler for leading the Kayaking event.
- Thank you to Cindy and Jim Getzinger for preparing the food for the Community Event at Jerusalem elementary.
- Thank you to JTFD for the water activities for the kids and adults to play in. Once again, they were the highlight of the event. Especially Chief Parasiliti for all his help with the details of the day.
- Thank you to the many vendors who displayed the amazing things going on in our township.

Sports: Girls flag football U8 girls from Jerusalem won the league championship this past summer. Huge congrats to Addison Allen, Sophia Allen, Olivia Tucker, Colbi and Lexi Watson, Evelyn McCloskey, Emerson Stelmazak, and Grayson Oberdick

Fire Department: Tony Parasiliti

No report.

Maintenance Department: Kevin Chapman

New truck report, the truck is being finished next week and we expect to take delivery before the winter months. Regarding nuisance abatement lots, there are two remaining to be completed. The parking area is dug out behind the recycle bin area with grindings being hauled over.

Cemetery: Kevin Chapman

Cremation funeral scheduled for tomorrow morning, with a few more burials upcoming with no set dates. Regarding the cemetery expansion, he has six graves remaining in the old section.

Old Business:

1. Ditch project Rachel and East - Dave Bench indicated he might have to hold a special meeting in the future.
2. Elliston and Rt. 2 flapper - no update, Dave Bench.
3. Bunting Road: House Demolition - Beau Miller reported the house is gone, looks great.
4. Parking on Cedar Brown road - Beau Miller has driven by and has not noticed any current issues.
5. SCS DJ Mears two stage ditch report - Dave Bench reported that they might not complete a two-stage ditch but a regular wider ditch. Dave Bench also reported that this Fall, the County might begin to evaluate the petitioned ditches for required maintenance.
6. Increase General Fund Appropriations
The fiscal officer is requesting the board of trustees to increase the general fund appropriation to reflect the OLEC grant project. Mark Sattler indicated the OLEC Grant is using the Township as a pass through for the funding to pay for the survey work completed by CEC. He explained even though we are not using general fund monies, we are receiving the funding from the Ohio Lake Erie Commission and the funds will pass through the Jerusalem Township General Fund as we issue the payments to the vendor CEC in an amount totaling \$83,200.00.

Mark Sattler moved to increase the General Fund, in the amount of \$83,200.00. Seconded by Beau Miller will roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

7. OLEC Coastal Resiliency Grant Update - Mark Sattler provided an update to the members of the meeting regarding the drone survey results.
8. 2021-2022 Audit - the fiscal officer was waiting for the final draft from the audit firm but had not received anything for tonight's meeting.
9. Approval of payment CEC

Mark Sattler made a motion to pay CEC \$34,500.00 for services rendered to date for OLEC Grant as a pass through from the Ohio Lake Erie Commission grant through Jerusalem Township. He reported the Township has already received these funds via ACH in our bank account. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

10. F550 Repair Invoice Approval - the fiscal officer was provided with an invoice from Bauman Automotive for the fire department ambulance in the amount of \$4,628.54. It had a note attached from the fire chief asking for a motion to approve the expenditure due to it being above his authority of \$3,000.00.

Dave Bench made a motion to approve payment to Bauman Automotive in the amount of \$4,628.54, seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

11. 911 RCOG - Dave Bench reported the August meeting was not as productive as hoped and supplemental funding sources have not been secured.

New Business:

1. Authorized users for Menards Charge Account

The Fiscal officer is requesting approval for Kevin Chapman and Tony Parasiliti as authorized users on the Menards Government Entity account. Beau Miller made a motion to approve the above users, seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

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

Motion carried.

2. Township Accomplishments - Mark Sattler shared an updated list of Township accomplishments amongst the audience and other board members. He will get the information on the Township website as well.
3. Administrative Support for Trustees - Mark Sattler proposed adding hours to support the board of trustees with various tasks including:
 - Monitoring the general e-mail and voicemail boxes and forwarding to the appropriate party
 - Regular updates of information for the electronic sign
 - Regular updates of information for the Twp Website and Twp Govt. Facebook page
 - WENS alerts
 - GETS
 - Trash set-ups of new service
 - Suburban Press notices
 - Live Streaming set-up and monitoringBeau Miller has concerns over adding a new position and suggested expanding the existing zoning assistant role as an option. Beau Miller asked for time to review the idea and consider it at the next meeting.
4. Trees on Rialto - Beau Miller reported that a few weeks ago, he was made aware of some dead & rotten trees near the ditch. One had already fallen into the ditch, interfering with proper drainage and several more were at risk. Due to safety concerns, Beau Miller called Lake Erie Tree and had the fallen tree and limbs removed and cleaned up right away. Beau Miller reported he spoke with Jay Mosley with Lucas County Engineers who indicated we can use storm water utility money for reimbursement of what was already removed and fund complete removal of the remaining trees in the future.
5. Scope of Work for demolition of barn and cellar at JTFD Training Center - Beau Miller shared a draft scope of work for the demolition of the old cellar, barn, and associated debris inside. He will use the Scope Of Work in soliciting bids in the future.

Upcoming Events:

August 24, 2023 Lucas County Township Association Meeting
September 11, 2023 TMACOG Water Quality Council
September 12, 2023 Primary Election
September 13, 2023 911 RCOG – Administrators TAC Mtg
September 26, 2023 US Army Corps of Engineers Mtg
October 11, 2023 911 RCOG – Administrators TAC Mtg
November 7, 2023 Election Day

November 13, 2023 TMACOG Water Quality Council
December 13, 2023 911 RCOG – Administrators TAC Mtg

Public Participation:

Karen Wilhelm - read a statement expressing her concerns with various Township actions, Lucas County Government actions and prior legal court decisions.

Scott Henninger - He understands the issue over noxious weeds and agriculture property, but his concern is that property owned by the local government entities (Township, County, or State) can have tall grass and weeds while private property owners must maintain their property. Mark Sattler explained that ditches are mowed by the Township, County or State depending upon the jurisdiction of the adjacent road. The County mows along the roadways and ditches 4 times per year but they are behind due to a wet July and significant staffing shortages.

Dana Bollin – Shared her opinion that Parkfest should be renamed. She did attend and had a wonderful time. She was invited to share her comments with the Recreation Director. Ms. Bollin also asked who had mowed the front of her property and removed the orange sticks? The Board and the Zoning Department explained the process that is followed. She also wanted an update on Kennedy Park. Beau Miller reported they are finishing the parking space in the back and mowing some paths in the nature area.

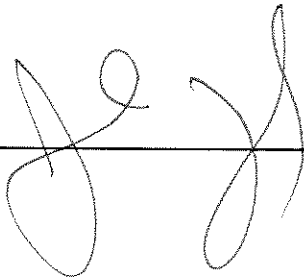
Adjournment:

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


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

Meeting Adjourned 8:36 p.m.

Attested



Approved





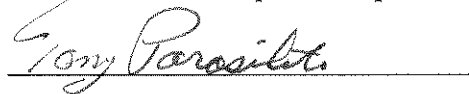
RESOLUTION# 08222023-00

Whereas, on August 4, 2023 the below named individuals were instrumental, through their prompt and brave action, in saving the life of a victim of a near-drowning accident. The young rescuers not only recognized the danger, but promptly alerted the proper adults in the household and contacted emergency help while demonstrating bravery, courage, and calmness. This cool-headed thinking and action brought the right people together at the right time to avert a dangerous situation and prevent a potential tragedy.

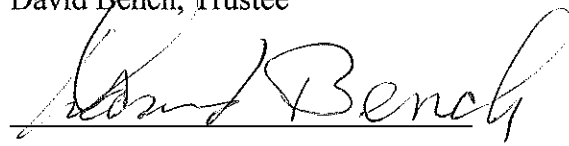
Gracelynn Reihing	Minor, age 9	Angela Kulwicki
Ava Schultz	Minor, age 8	Christine Miller
Ellie Heyes	Minor, age 9	Dan Grisby
Marissa Shultz	Minor, age 5	Eric Stanton

It is hereby resolved that the Jerusalem Township Fire Department along with the Board of Trustees of Jerusalem Township formally express our profound gratitude, and proudly recognize and declare the above-named people, LOCAL HEROES of Jerusalem Township.

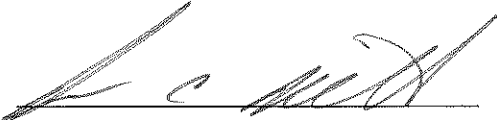
Tony Parasiliti, Chief
Jerusalem Township Fire Department



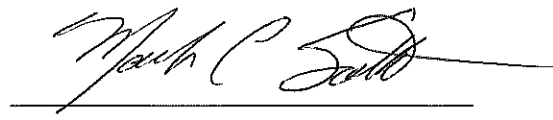
David Bench, Trustee



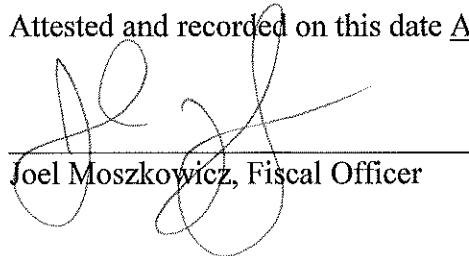
Beau Miller, Trustee



Mark Sattler, Trustee



Attested and recorded on this date August 22, 2023 by:



Joel Moszkowicz, Fiscal Officer

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**Regulations Regarding Abatement, Control, or Removal of Vegetation, Garbage,
Refuse and Other Debris in the Township
RESOLUTION 08222023-01**

WHEREAS, the Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees has determined that regulations regarding abatement, control or removal of vegetation, garbage, refuse, and other debris in accordance with ORC 505.87 shall be adopted and regulated as follows:

- Section 1. A board of township trustees may provide for the abatement, control, or removal of vegetation, garbage, refuse, and other debris from land in the township, if the board determines that the owner's maintenance of such vegetation, garbage, refuse, and other debris constitutes a nuisance.
- Section 2. The Jerusalem Board of Township Trustees determines under this section that tall grass or vegetation on land in the Township, which is not agriculturally, used land, and is 8" high or more, shall be deemed "uncontrolled" and not maintained.
- Section 3. At least 7 days before providing for the abatement, control, or removal of vegetation, garbage, refuse, and other debris, the board of township trustees shall notify the owner of the land and any holders of liens of record upon the land that:
- (a) The owner is ordered to abate, control, or remove the vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris, the owner's maintenance of which has been determined by the board to be a nuisance;
 - (b) If such vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris is not abated, controlled, or removed, or if provision for its abatement, control, or removal is not made, within seven days, the board shall provide for the abatement, control, or removal, and any expenses incurred by the board in performing that task shall be entered upon the tax duplicate and become a lien upon the land from the date of entry.

The board shall send notice to the land owner of the land by certified mail if the owner is a resident of the township or is a nonresident whose address is known, and by certified mail to lien holders of record; alternatively, if the owner is a resident of the township or is a nonresident whose address is known, the board may give notice to the owner by causing any of its agents or employees to post the notice on the principal structure on the land and to photograph that posted notice with a camera capable of recording the date of the photograph on it. If the owner's address is unknown and cannot reasonably be obtained, it is sufficient to publish the notice once in a newspaper of general circulation in the township.

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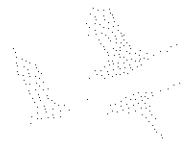
- Section 4. If a board of township trustees determines within twelve consecutive months after a prior nuisance determination that the same owner's maintenance of vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris on the same land in the township constitutes a nuisance, at least four days before providing for the abatement, control, or removal of any vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris, the board shall give notice of the subsequent nuisance determination to the owner of the land and to any holders of liens of record upon the land as follows:
- (a) The board shall send written notice by first class mail to the owner of the land and to any lien holders of record. Failure of delivery of the notice shall not invalidate any action to abate, control, or remove the nuisance. Alternatively the board may give notice to the owner by causing any of its agents or employees to post the notice on the principal structure on the land and to photograph that posted notice with a camera capable of recording the date of the photograph on it.
- (b) If the owner's address is unknown and cannot reasonably be obtained, it is sufficient to post the notice on the board of township trustee's web site for four consecutive days, or to post the notice in a conspicuous location in the board's office for four consecutive days if the board does not maintain an internet web site.
- Section 5. The owner of the land or holders of liens of record upon the land may enter into an agreement with the board of township trustees providing for either party to the agreement to perform the abatement, control, or removal under Section 6 of this resolution.
- Section 6. If within seven days after notice is given under Section 3, or within four days after notice is given under Section 4 of this Resolution, the owner of the land fails to abate, control, or remove the vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris, or no agreement for its abatement, control, or removal is entered into under Section 5 of this Resolution, the board of township trustees shall provide for the abatement, control, or removal and may employ the necessary labor, materials, and equipment to perform the task. All expenses incurred shall, when approved by the board, be paid out of the township general fund from moneys not otherwise appropriated, except that if the expenses incurred exceed five hundred, the board may borrow moneys from a financial institution to pay for the expenses in whole or in part.
- Section 7. The board of township trustees shall make a written report to the county auditor of the board's action under this section. The board shall include in the report a proper description of the premises and statement of all expense incurred in providing for the abatement, control, or removal of any vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris as provided in Section 6 of this Resolution, including the board's charges for its services, the costs incurred in providing notification, any fees or interest paid to borrow moneys, and the amount paid for the labor, materials, and equipment. The expenses incurred, when allowed, shall be entered upon the tax duplicate, are a lien upon the land from the date of the entry, and shall be collected as other taxes and returned to the township and placed in the township general fund.

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Jerusalem TOWNSHIP



NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Jerusalem Board of Township Trustees will, effective immediately, hereafter exercise its authority under the Ohio Revised Code to provide for the abatement, control, or removal of any vegetation, garbage, refuse, or other debris on private property within the Township which constitutes a nuisance.

This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from or after the earliest period allowed by law.

Mr. Mark Sattler moved and Mr. David Bench seconded the Resolution, and the roll being called upon the question of its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Vote Record: Mr. Sattler yes Mr. Bench yes Mr. Miller yes

ADOPTED this 22 day of August, 2023.

Attest:

Joel Moszkowicz
Joel Moszkowicz

Board of Trustees
Jerusalem Township
Lucas County, Ohio

David Bench
David Bench

Beau Miller
Beau Miller

Mark Sattler
Mark Sattler

AUTHENTICATION

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution duly passed by this Board of Trustees in session this 22 day of August, 2023 and filed with the Jerusalem Township Fiscal Officer.

Joel Moszkowicz
Joel Moszkowicz
Jerusalem Township Fiscal Officer



8/22/23

Fund Status

As Of 8/24/2023

Fund Number	Fund Name	% of Total Pooled	Fund Balance	Investments (Non-Pooled)	Checking & Pooled Investments (Pooled)
1000	General	22.487%	\$301,173.55	\$0.00	\$301,173.55
2011	Motor Vehicle License Tax	1.772%	\$23,732.58	\$0.00	\$23,732.58
2021	Gasoline Tax	17.202%	\$230,383.92	\$0.00	\$230,383.92
2031	Road and Bridge	9.752%	\$130,605.79	\$0.00	\$130,605.79
2041	Cemetery	2.433%	\$32,586.54	\$0.00	\$32,586.54
2181	Zoning	0.000%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2191	Fire Levy	27.116%	\$363,143.25	\$0.00	\$363,143.25
2192	Recreation Levy	3.089%	\$41,373.81	\$0.00	\$41,373.81
2231	Permissive Motor Vehicle License Tax	6.257%	\$83,805.62	\$0.00	\$83,805.62
2273	Coronavirus Relief Fund	7.732%	\$103,556.30	\$0.00	\$103,556.30
2401	Curtice Lighting Assessment	0.108%	\$1,451.81	\$0.00	\$1,451.81
2402	Bono Lighting Assessment	0.023%	\$308.31	\$0.00	\$308.31
3301	Garbage Assessment	2.029%	\$27,180.31	\$0.00	\$27,180.31
All Funds Total			\$1,339,301.79	\$0.00	\$1,339,301.79
Pooled Investments					\$626,748.24
Secondary Checking Accounts					\$0.00
Available Primary Checking Balance					\$712,553.55

Last reconciled to bank: 07/31/2023 – Total other adjusting factors: \$0.00



Sign-up to offer public comments

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
✓ 1. <u>Karen Wilhelmi</u>	<u>ZUCCHINI</u>
2. <u>Sandra Lytler</u>	<u>various</u>
3. <u>Scott Heninger</u>	
4. <u>Dona Bollin</u>	
5. _____	_____
6. _____	_____
7. _____	_____
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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