January 9, 2023

Regular Meeting was called to order by Scott Markley.

Present were Fiscal Officer Cheryl Welch, Trustees Jim Power, Kay Wright, Scott Markley Zoning Inspector: Rick Wikucki (not present) Road Worker: Dave Buchanan (not present)

Minutes of 12/12/2022 business meeting; Jim made motion to approve, Kay 2nd. Scott in agreement.

ROAD REPORT

Work on Township Road 700 will commence when warmer weather breaks. Ed Meixner was not
available for consultation during the month of December; Kay will reach out to him to devise a plan
before road improvements are scheduled to begin.

ZONING REPORT [Rick Wikucki not present]

• More notices have been given to the individual with the camper on Twp Rd 101.

FIRE DEPARTMENT [Trustee Scott Markley]

• One FT EMT will be available 24-7 with a grant that will cover wages for 2 years.

CEMETERY [Trustee Kay Wright]

 There has been significant improvement with water runoff at the cemetery; Kay did not see any water laying on graves as it had been prior to the driveway work that took place during 4th quarter of 2022.

<u>FINANCIAL REPORT</u> [Fiscal_Officer Cheryl Welch]

- Receipts between 12/13/2022 and 1/9/2023 totaled \$15,542.14 Expenses totaled \$17,961.90. Check written to BJAAM Environmental for \$13,320.63 was covered 100% by the grant from the Ohio BUSTR program costing the township nothing.
- Fund balances totaled \$426,626.23 (Primary account is \$135,033.60)
- \$292,189.01 or 68% of the fund balance is money from ARPA.
- Jim made motion to accept the financial report; Kay 2nd; Scott in agreement.
- Kay made resolution #2023-1 to accept the estimated resources for the 2023 fiscal year as revised by the budget commission of Ashland County which will govern township appropriations made throughout the year. Jim 2nd; Scott in agreement. Roll call vote Scott (Yes), Jim (Yes) and Kay (Yes).

PARK [Trustee Jim Power] Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

- No Engine Brake and End Engine Brake Restriction signage will be purchased for installation on 302.
- Going forward the board has decided that no such requests for Jake Brake signage will be honored because it discriminates against the trucking industry to use factory installed equipment. The board agreed that it is not sensible to prevent drivers from using the Jacobs engine brake which aids in slowing and controlling the vehicle.
- No trailer has been located to transport the 30' metal pole from Wellington Utility Department down to the township park.
- Jim presented information on a 4x8 electronic sign for the township house from Stewart Signs. Estimated minimum cost \$20,000; not to exceed \$27,000.

• Board had some discussion on township garage improvements.

NEW BUSINESS

- Resident Donald Byrd, electrician, will be contacted regarding repair to cemetery flagpole light and outside lights at the township house.
- Walt Miller resigned from the Zoning Board; alternate has moved up so board is complete. At some point in the near future the board will look to fill the alternate position.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

· None

Kay made motion to adjourn, Jim 2nd; Scott in agreement. Meeting minutes submitted by Cheryl Welch.

J. Scott Markley

Jim Power