

AGENDA

BOARD OF LIBERTY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting

Friday, May 3, 2024 8:30 a.m.

Call meeting to order.

Roll call:

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| Devon Stanley | Present _____ | Excused _____ |
| Greg Cizmar | Present _____ | Excused _____ |
| Arnie Clebone | Present _____ | Excused _____ |

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2024 Regular meeting.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Roll Call Vote:

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| Mr. Stanley | _____yes | _____no |
| Mr. Cizmar | _____yes | _____no |
| Mr. Clebone | _____yes | _____no |

24-38 Motion to approve Memorandum of Understanding between the Liberty Township Trustees and the IAFF Local 2025.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Roll Call Vote:

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| Mr. Stanley | _____yes | _____no |
| Mr. Cizmar | _____yes | _____no |
| Mr. Clebone | _____yes | _____no |

24-39 Motion to pass the following resolution for grass abatements:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the owner’s maintenance of vegetation, garbage, refuse and other debris upon the following properties constitutes a nuisance:

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| Address: | Parcel No.: |
| 801 Mansell | 12-645260 |
| 3465 Hadley | 12-261125 |
| 57 Redfern | 12-443052 |
| 50 Redfern | 12-340865 |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of this Board’s intent to provide for the abatement, control, or removal of said vegetation, garbage, refuse or other debris constituting said nuisance be given to all owners of the land and holders of liens of record upon said land in accordance with **Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon proper notice, and failure of the property owner to abate said nuisance within seven days, the Board of Trustees provide for the abatement, control, or removal of said vegetation, garbage, refuse or other debris constituting said nuisance in accordance with **Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.**

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Roll Call Vote:

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| Mr. Stanley | _____yes | _____no |
| Mr. Cizmar | _____yes | _____no |
| Mr. Clebone | _____yes | _____no |

24-40 Motion to purchase 2023 police vehicle from Vienna township for \$40,000.00.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Roll Call Vote:

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| Mr. Stanley | _____yes | _____no |
| Mr. Cizmar | _____yes | _____no |
| Mr. Clebone | _____yes | _____no |

24-41 A Resolution Opposing Dominion Energy Ohio's Proposed Thirty Percent Rate Increase and Requesting That The Public utilities Commission Of Ohio Deny Dominion Energy Ohio's Request For The Same and Declaring An Emergency.

Whereas, Liberty Township, Trumbull County, and its residents currently receive natural gas distribution service from Dominion Energy Ohio; and

Whereas, Dominion Energy Ohio has filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO), in Case NO. 23-0894-GA-AIR, a request for a thirty percent (30%) increase for the natural gas distribution services it provides to consumers; and

Whereas, Dominion Energy Ohio has proposed a distribution rate increase for consumers which would increase consumers' monthly fixed Basic Service Charge for natural gas distribution services from \$43.27 to \$56.31; and

Whereas, Dominion Energy Ohio as proposed to increase other fixed monthly distribution charges to consumers by more than \$8.78 per month starting in 2025, and increasing by as much as \$29.69 per month by 2032; and

Whereas, large rates increase in natural gas distribution services may negatively impact Liberty Township's efforts to attract new business and jobs, depress the housing market, and place an undue financial burden on residents; NOW THEREFORE

Be It Resolved by the Board of Liberty Township Trustees, Trumbull County, Ohio:

Section 1: That this Board of Trustees and the Administration do hereby oppose Dominion Energy Ohio's proposal to increase the monthly fixed Basic Service Charge for natural gas distribution service to consumers by 30%, and request that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio deny such a rate increase to consumers.

Section 2: That this Board of Trustees and the Administration do hereby oppose Dominion Energy Ohio's proposal to increase other fixed monthly distribution charges to consumers to more that \$8.78 per month starting in 2025, and request that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio deny such a rate increase to consumers,

Section 3: That the Fiscal Officer of Liberty Township is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Attn: Docketing Division (Case NO. 23-0894-GA-AIR), 180 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793, and that a copy of this Resolution be recorded in the minutes of this meeting.

Section 4: That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health, safety, and welfare. A further reason is that it is immediately necessary for this Board of Trustees to express its opposition ot the proposed rate increase, which will financially impact residents. Whereas, this Resolution shall go into immediate effect.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Stanley _____yes _____no
Mr. Cizmar _____yes _____no
Mr. Clebone _____ yes _____no

24-42 Motion to increase the appropriations in the general fund by \$63,243.95 (the entire amount of the escrow check held for demolition).

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Stanley _____yes _____no
Mr. Cizmar _____yes _____no
Mr. Clebone _____ yes _____no

Discussion:

Motion to adjourn meeting at a.m.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Stanley _____yes _____no

Mr. Cizmar _____yes _____no

Mr. Clebone _____yes _____no

Next meeting Monday, May13, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.