

**SMITH TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023
AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE**

TENTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE SMITH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The meeting was called to order with a prayer & Pledge of Allegiance by Fiscal Officer, Audrey Fox.

Roll Call:

Mr. Showalter	Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Excused	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Criss	Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Excused	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Barnett	Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Excused	<input type="checkbox"/>

Attorney, Mark Finamore was present.

Adopt Agenda

1. Motion to adopt monthly meeting agenda. Passed.

Moved by Mr. Barnett Seconded by Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes No Mr. Barnett
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

Approve Monthly Minutes

2. Motion to approve the October 4, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes. Passed.

Moved by Mr. Barnett Seconded by Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes No Mr. Barnett
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

Citizens' Comments

Milt Hallett of W. Ohio Ave. and wife were present to discuss a nuisance property situated adjacent to their property and located on Oregon Ave. Mark Finamore, Smith Township legal counsel, recommended that Peggy Christy, Zoning/Nuisance Property Inspector, issue a Zoning violation complaint to the owner giving them 14 days to clean up the property. If the owners do not comply Mr. Finamore will proceed in the enforcement of Zoning Regulations.

Eric and Nadine Peterson were present to discuss with Trustee Scott Showalter the status of the 825 Tennessee property. Mr. Showalter is still investigating and should have answers in a few days.

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Approve Financial Reports

3. Motion to approve the Financial Report, and EFTs and Warrants in the amount of \$ 98,155.28 for November. Passed.

Moved by Mr. Barnett

Seconded by Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes No Mr. Barnett
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

4. Motion to approve and sign the Bank Reconciliation Summary for November 30, 2023. Passed.

Moved by Mr. Barnett

Seconded by Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes No Mr. Barnett
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

Trustee and Fiscal Officer Report

Issues Discussed:

5. **Resolution 2023-1205-01 be it resolved the Trustees approve the reallocation** to various funds and the budget increase to various funds to cover expenses. (see attached) Passed.

Moved by: Mr. Barnett

Seconded by: Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes No Mr. Barnett
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

6. **Resolution 2023-1205-03 to authorize the Township to appropriate and pay expenses as they come due for 2024 until our reorganization meeting scheduled for January 02, 2024.** (see attached resolution) Passed.

Moved by Mr. Criss

Seconded by Mr. Barnett

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes No Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Barnett
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

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7. Motion to approve a \$50 Giant Eagle gift card as an appreciation/Holiday gift (other than cash) to all employees with a low fair market value (**I.R.C. § 132(a)(4)** excludes *de minimis* benefits—benefits that are too minor or trivial to merit consideration—from taxable income.). Passed.

Moved by Mr. Barnett

Seconded by Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes No Mr. Barnett
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

- January meeting date set for **January 02, 2024**
- Tac Computer service agreement

Road Report

Zach Wagner, Road Foreman, presented the report for the month of November 2023:

- Boom Mow roadside ditches
- Weigh a scoop of salt from new loader bucket (2 ton)
- Mow Twp. buildings and shooting range
- Hauled grit for snow and ice control
- Get new salt spinner motors
- Change 3 crossover pipes on South Range Rd.
- Get 5 ton of HPM
- Change snowplow blade on big plow
- Fix u joint on broom

Materials Used:

- Gas: 82.5 gals
- Diesel: 195 gals
- #4 Stone: 24 tons
- #304 stone: 16 tons
- #57 stone: 6 tons
- #617 stone: 6 tons

8. **Resolution 2023-1205-05 to authorize the Township to approve the sale of the old Cas 580 Super L Road Department Backhoe (Loader) through an online auction.** Mark Finamore to send authorized procedures Passed.

Moved by Mr. Barnett

Seconded by Mr. Criss

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- ✓ Yes No Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

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Police Report

Chief Paul Ceresna was not present, Police Sergeant, Steve McDaniel, presented Statistics for the month of November 2023

- 59 Incident Reports
- 12 Accident Reports
- 34 Citations
- 101 Traffic stops
- 213 Business checks

Also reported: Police garage drainage pipe cleaned out.

Trailstar donated 6 Thanksgiving meals which were distributed by the Police Department.

- 9. Resolution 2023-1205-04** to approve the expenditure of \$349.67 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund for Ohio Peace Officer Training. The fund currently has a balance of \$3,392.46. (see attached)

Moved by Mr. Barnett

Seconded by Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes No Mr. Barnett
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

- 10. Resolution 2023-1205-06** to authorize the Township to approve the contract between the **Smith Township Police Department and TAC Computer, Inc.** TAC Computers, Inc. provides and maintains the public safety computer software systems for the Police Department. Passed.

Moved by Mr. Criss

Seconded by Mr. Barnett

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes No Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Barnett
- ✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

Fire Report

No report given

Zoning Report

Peggy Christy, Zoning/Nuisance Property Inspector, presented the November 2023 report:

- Handled all correspondence and phone calls related to zoning/nuisance property issues along with a few recycling questions related to electronics.
- Received 4 complaint calls and pictures from resident related to 13910 Francis Ave.
- Gave direction on dispute between neighbors over fence issue and fallen tree issue on Courtney

