

**SMITH TOWNSHIP REGUALR MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2024
AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE**

constitutes a licensed dealer. Attorney Mark Finamore explained the process for determining the license requirement. Trustee Criss while visiting the area noticed that there should be a 35 mph speed limit sign on Martin. Trustee Criss will call County Engineer about getting a speed limit sign.

Laurie Porter of Alden Ave., expressed her concern over the two neighboring abandoned residencies on either side and how to file a formal complaint with Mahoning County. Peggy Christy, Smith Township Zoning Inspector, explained that the County has an on-line form but agreed to get her the form.

Liz Ramsey expressed her gratitude to the Village of Sebring for offering the special Railroad Training. She also pointed out that the swearing in of Trustee Scott Showalter was erroneously left out of the January 2, 2024 minutes. Fiscal Officer, Audrey Fox, made the correction to the minutes.

Approve Financial Reports

3. Motion to approve the Financial Report, and bills paid for the month of February 2024 in the amount of \$88,548.66. Passed.

Moved by Mr. Barnett

Seconded by Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:

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

The February 2024 bank statement is in balance and was reviewed by the Trustees.
The February 2024 VISA statement has been reviewed by the Trustees.

Trustee and Fiscal Officer Report
Issues Discussed:

- American Legion Post 76 Easter Egg Hunt Donation

4. Motion to approve a gift of \$50 to the American Legion Post 76 for Easter Egg Hunt. Passed.

Moved by Mr. Criss

Seconded by Mr. Barnett

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- First Energy Notification of Planned Transmission Line Work on Lake Park Blvd., 19-036-0-320.00-0 (Gave Trustee Barnett a copy of notice)
- Special Meeting on February 22, 2024, with Renee Whittenberger of Environmental Design Group, to discuss and get insight into crash data in Smith Township.

Road Report

Zach Wagner, Road Foreman absent, Trustee Larry Barnett presented the report for the month of February 2024:

- Changed three crossovers on Best Road (pipe)
- Finished up cleaning New ditch line for crossovers
- Filled pot holes with HPM
- Replaced stolen stop sign on Heisler & 12 street
- Road drag Martin and Best Rds.
- Fixed two mailboxes on Island Creek
- Shop work and road checks
- Filled pot holes on South Range and Best Rds.
- Filled pot holes on Stanley
- Looked at Bridges on Norman and Harding for paving grant and wire wheeled bridges for paint prep

Material used:

- Gas 41 gallons
- Diesel 143 gallons

Police Report

Chief Paul Ceresna was present and reported Statistics for the month of February 2024:

- 61 Incident Reports
- 5 Accidents
- 48 Citations
- 175 Traffic Stops
- 317 Business Checks

Other:

The Smith Township Police is sponsoring a dog food drive - details are on the Smith Township Police Face Book page.

Beloit Police contract signed.

Resolution 2024-0305-03 Police Services Agreement for the Village of Beloit be it resolved that the Smith Township Trustees entered into an agreement between the Village of Beloit, Ohio and the Smith Township Police for the purpose of providing police services within the municipal corporation limits of Beloit, Ohio for a term of three years to be paid \$42,500 for year one, \$45,000 for year two, and \$47,500 for year three. Passed.

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

Fire Report

No Report Given.

Zoning Report

Peggy Christy, Zoning/Nuisance Property Inspector, present and presented the February 2024 report:

- Handled all correspondence and phone calls related to zoning/nuisance property issues.
 - Made routine visual inspection of portions of the township.
 - Approved re-plat of property for Mahoning County Planning Commission.
 - Responded to complaint on Martin Road-took photos
 - Composed and placed legal ad in The Review to inform owners of five properties within the township re: trustees' intent to demo buildings/structures. Owners have 20 days from date of printing (Feb. 28th) to respond with request for hearing. That deadline will be 03-20-2024. No responses at this point.
 - Received training on map layers for occasional requests about public water/septic/roads, etc. which can be located on the map layers of the county auditor's website.
 - Requested title search from Title One in Alliance for 13566 Tombaugh. Results received 02-28-2024. There is another lien holder (other than the owner) that must be notified. Certified letter has been mailed.
 - Provided two letters to verify zoning classifications for appraisal purposes. Hamilton Appraisal Services and True Footage Appraisers.
 - Receive continual concern from area residents over W. Oregon and Railroad St. properties.
 - Sent letter of request to ACT Excavating for quotes on five nuisance/abatement/demo properties.
- 5. Resolution 2024-0305-07 Nuisance Nobel and Stanley** be it resolved the Smith Township Trustees declare parcel ID's #190290027000, #190290028000, and #190290029000 a property nuisance by reason of overgrown vegetation, garbage, refuse, and other debris. Passed (see attached)

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Seconded by Mr. Criss

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Approve Reports

6. Motion to accept all reports. Passed.

Moved by Mr. Criss

Seconded by Mr. Barnett

Roll Call Vote:

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

7. **Motion to go into Executive Session** during the Regular meeting to consider the disciplining, suspension, or termination of a public employee was moved and seconded that the Board to go into Executive Session. Passed.

Moved by: Mr. Barnett

Seconded by: Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:

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

8. **Motion to come out of Executive Session** and back into Open Session of the Board Meeting.

It was moved and seconded that the Board come out of Executive Session and back into open Session of the Board Meeting. Passed.

Moved by: Mr. Barnett

Seconded by: Mr. Criss

Roll Call Vote:

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

Chairman Showalter stated that there was No action to be taken following the executive session.

Adjournment

Motion by Chairman, Mr. Showalter to adjourn meeting.

Next Regular Meeting is 7:00 p.m. APRIL 2, 2024.