

AGENDA

For the Weathersfield Township Trustees Regular Meeting

To be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Call to order: Name

Pledge: Status

Prayer: Name

Roll Call: Steven Gerberry - Attendance Richard Harkins - Attendance
Edward Whittaker - Attendance Fred Bobovnyk - Attendance

Correspondence/Announcements:

- The **Trustees would like to remind our residents that the 2022 Residential Tree Limb Chipping Program is continuing.** The 2022 Residential Tree Limb Chipping Program will begin on Friday May 6, 2022 and will continue each Friday through Friday October 28, 2022. For tree limb pick-up, you must call the Township by Thursday of each week to be placed on the list for a Friday pick-up. Please keep the following rules and procedures in mind:
 - This program is intended for residential tree limbs up to 3 inches in diameter.
 - The tree limbs must be placed at the curbside with all the cut ends aligned with each other toward the street.
 - No shrubs, stumps, roots, lumber, or railroad ties will be accepted. All tree limbs must be free from vines.
 - We are not a tree removal service; if you are having a tree professionally removed let them do the entire job, you must have them take the tree limbs as well.
- The **Trustees would like to mention that the Dunlap-Moss House located at 1499 Burnett Street in Mineral Ridge is being considered by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places,** the Federal government's official list of historic properties worthy of preservation.
- The **Trustees would like to report that the meeting with the Trumbull County Commissioners and the Trumbull County Sanitary Engineer's Office** that was held on September 1, 2022 regarding the Heaton Chute sanitary sewer project was well attended and received unanimous support from the residents.
- The **Trustees would like to remind our residents that the Township Gas Aggregation Program with Constellation Energy will be ending with your meter reading in May.** The Trustees would like to remind our residents that they have an opportunity to join the Trumbull County Gas Aggregation Program. The Trumbull County Gas Aggregation Program began in March of this year and continues through February 2026. A fixed rate of \$3.99 per Mcf has been established and there is a senior discount (over 65) at \$3.89/Mcf. For enrollment information please contact Constellation Energy at (844) 809-6834.

Reports:

- Financial Report – Presented by Fred Bobovnyk
- Administrator's Report – Presented by David Rouan
- Zoning Report – Presented by Kelly Clarke
- Police Report – Presented by Police Chief Michael Naples
- Fire Report – Presented by Fire Chief Tom Lambert
- Lane LifeTrans Report – Presented by Lane's Chief Tom Lambert
- Law Director's Report – Presented by Cherry Potet

Note: All reports are on file in the Fiscal Officer's office.

Comments from the public will be heard on agenda items at this time; there will still be an opportunity for individuals to address the Board during our public comments part of the meeting.

Old Business:

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future the Township may provide a second SRO if available. The SRO will be present in the school buildings, Seaborn Elementary and/or Mineral Ridge High School, on the days that school is in session. If the Township is unable to provide an SRO on a particular school day, the Police Chief shall notify the school district and the Township shall credit the Board in their next invoice at the rate of \$430.00 per SRO per day of absence.

5. The mission of the SROs is to promote school safety by helping to build a positive school climate in which all students and community members feel safe and are supported to succeed. The SROs act as a bridge between the community and the Weathersfield Police Department and the Weathersfield Local School District. The goal of the SROs is to ultimately reduce crime committed by and against youth in the greater Weathersfield community. The SRO accomplishes this mission by supporting a safe, secure, and orderly learning environment in the school for students, teachers, and staff through relationships with students, teachers, and the community, helping to build a school culture of open communication and trust, getting to know students and staff at the school, and serving as a role model.
6. The SROs will remain in the Police Department's chain of command and subject to Police Department's rules, regulations, and operating procedures.
7. The SROs shall receive SRO training, ALICE training and other training deemed appropriate by the Police Chief.
8. The schedule and specific duties of the SRO and the educational programs to be offered by the SRO will be determined by the Police Chief after consultation with the School District.
9. It is understood and agreed that the SRO is responsible for law enforcement at the school but not general student discipline. Complaints from parents, students and school personnel regarding student discipline, behavior and truancy will be addressed by the school administrators, not the SRO. The SRO is not a school disciplinarian and violations of the student code of conduct or school rules that are not criminal matters will be handled by school faculty and staff, not the SRO. The SRO will not intervene in student discipline unless the situation creates an imminent threat to the health, safety, and security of students or others and will employ de-escalation techniques as appropriate.
10. School staff are to notify the SRO of all violent or other criminal activity that creates a safety risk. The SRO, as a law enforcement officer, is responsible for all criminal investigations. The SRO may use discretion and issue warnings or other alternatives to arrest for misdemeanor activity. Felony offenses, sex offenses, weapon offenses, and offenses of violence will normally result in the filing of criminal charges. The decision to file criminal charges is always the decision of the SRO and the Police Department.
11. The SROs shall work with the School District to coordinate crisis planning and update school crisis plans.
12. The School Board agrees to cooperate in any grant or other applications for funding for the SRO upon request by the Township.
13. This Agreement may be modified only in writing signed by both parties.

Motion by: Name

Seconded by: Name

Vote: Steven Gerberry - Vote Richard Harkins - Vote

Edward Whittaker - Vote

Motion Status

- 22-133 Motion to **accept and acknowledge the retirement of William Hewitt effective September 9, 2022**. The board Trustees would like to thank Bill for his 38 years of service with the Township and to the residents of our community.

Motion by: Name

Seconded by: Name

Vote: Steven Gerberry - Vote Richard Harkins - Vote

Edward Whittaker - Vote

Motion Status

- 22-134 Motion to **hire Daniel Dean as a Truck Driver Class #2 within the Weathersfield Township Road Department effective September 19, 2022**. Daniel shall receive the rate of pay, benefits, and other considerations as set forth in the collective bargaining agreement by and between the board of Trustees and the OCSEA as adopted by Resolution #20-114. Daniel will be on a six (6) month probationary period. The board of Trustees would like to welcome Daniel to our organization.

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Fred Bobovnyk, Fiscal Officer

Steven J. Gerberry, Trustee

Richard T. Harkins, Trustee

Edward K. Whittaker, Trustee