

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Weathersfield Township Trustees Regular Meeting

Held on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Call to order: Steve Gerberry

Pledge: Completed

Prayer: Gil Blair

Roll Call: Marvin J. McBride - Present
H. Gilson Blair - Present

Steven J. Gerberry - Present
Fred R. Bobovnyk - Present

Correspondence/Announcements:

- The **Trustees would like to remind our residents that the Warren-Trumbull County Public Library Bookmobile will be at our Community Park twice a month and this will continue through Monday, May 13th, 2019.** Please see our social media and website for specific dates and times.
- The **Trustees would like to remind our residents to be sure to have their house numbers clearly displayed on both sides of their mailbox and to have the house numbers clearly displayed on the front of their home.** This helps our safety forces easily identify their location when responding to an emergency at their home.
- The **Trustees would like to announce the Trumbull County Emergency Management Agency Advisory Board Meeting** that will be held on Wednesday, February 20th, 2019 at 5:00 PM at the TCEM Office on North River Road.
- The **Trustees have scheduled the Annual Easter Egg Hunt for Saturday, April 13th, 2019 at 2:00 PM at the Community Park and Gazebo.**
- The **Trustees would like to mention the correspondence they received from Armstrong regarding a rate adjustment.**
- We are **awaiting some dates for this year's Spring Clean-Up.**
- The **Trustees would like to congratulate Mineral Ridge High Scholl basketball players Jordan Zupko and Alexa Harkins for their accomplishment of scoring over 1,000 points each this season.**

Reports:

- Financial Report – Presented by Fred Bobovnyk
- Administrator's Report – Presented by David Rouan
- Zoning Report – Presented by Melissa Murphy
- Police Report – Presented by Chief Michael Naples
- Fire Report – Presented by Chief Ken Boring
- Lane LifeTrans Report – Presented by Tom Lambert
- Law Director's Report – Presented by Cherry Poteet
- Regional Chambers Report – Presented by Steve Gerberry

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:

None

New Business:

19-013 Motion to **approve the consent agenda**, which includes the following:

- **Minutes from the Regular Meeting** Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 7:00 PM;
- **Minutes from the Reorganizational Meeting** Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 6:30 PM;
- **Drawing warrants upon our treasury and paying township bills;** and
- **The Then and Now's pursuant to the list provided by the Fiscal Officer.**

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Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Gil Blair
 Vote: Gil Blair - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-014 Motion to **transfer \$30,000.00 from the General Fund to the Road and Bridge Fund** effective January 28, 2019; and to **transfer \$55,760.88 from the General Fund to the Public Works Commission Projects Fund** effective January 28, 2019.

Motion by: Gil Blair Seconded by: Marvin McBride
 Vote: Gil Blair - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-015 Motion to **enter into an Agreement for Public Depository for the Deposit of Public Funds with The Farmers National Bank of Canfield, Ohio** for the period beginning May 1st, 2019 and ending April 30th, 2024 pursuant to the terms and conditions as they are set forth in the agreement.

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Gil Blair
 Vote: Gil Blair - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-016 Motion to **notify Armstrong Utilities, Inc. (Armstrong) that, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §1332.32, the Township wishes to continue to collect the same franchise fee as originally authorized in the agreement mutually executed by and between Armstrong and the Township on March 7, 2009.** The Township will continue to collect the existing 3% franchise fee. The Fiscal Officer shall provide a certified copy of this Resolution to Armstrong, attention Daniel P. McGahagan, General Manager.

Motion by: Gil Blair Seconded by: Marvin McBride
 Vote: Gil Blair - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-117 Motion **to authorize Township Administrator David Rouan, on behalf of the board of Trustees, to apply for the FY19 Equipment Grant through the Ohio Department of Commerce Division of State Fire Marshal's Office.** The grant request amount is for \$14,010.00 and requires no local match. If this grant is awarded it will be used to cover the cost of six sets of gear for our firefighters. The board of Trustees would like to thank Fire Lieutenant Michael O'Connell for all of his work on this grant application.

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Gil Blair
 Vote: Gil Blair - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-118 Motion **to authorize Township Administrator David Rouan, on behalf of the board of Trustees, to apply for the FY19 Training Grant through the Ohio Department of Commerce Division of State Fire Marshal's Office.** The grant request amount is for \$1,400.00 and requires no local match. If this grant is awarded it will be used to reimburse the Township Fire Department for the cost of fire school for one individual from 2018. The board of Trustees would like to thank Fire Lieutenant Michael O'Connell for all of his work on this grant application.

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Gil Blair
 Vote: Gil Blair - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-119 Motion **to authorize Township Administrator David Rouan, on behalf of the board of Trustees, to apply for the 2019 Scrap Tire Grant from the Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste Management District.** The total grant amount that is available for Weathersfield is \$2,275.00.

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Gil Blair
 Vote: Gil Blair - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes

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- 19-020 Motion to **authorize Township Administrator David Rouan to prepare the application and apply for, on behalf of the board of Trustees, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources NatureWorks 26th Round Grant – the NatureWorks Grant Program provides for 75% State funding and 25% local funding.** The proposed grant project is to help offset the cost for the purchase of two additional lots that adjoin the existing Community Park property to the north. The additional property is a major component of a larger plan for a Community Park. This larger plan has been discussed and developed by our community members for nearly ten years. The estimated total cost for the property acquisition is \$43,500; the grant request is 75% or \$32,625.00 and the local match is 25% or \$10,935.00. The Township requested and received a Waiver of Retroactivity in 2018 that permitted the grant application to proceed. The waiver was good for two grant cycles and this is our second attempt.

Whereas, the State of Ohio through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the State of Ohio NatureWorks grant program and

Whereas, the Weathersfield Township Trustees desires financial assistance under the NatureWorks Grant Program,

Now, Therefore be it resolved by the Weathersfield Township Trustees;

That the Weathersfield Township Trustees approves filing this application for financial assistance;

That David A. Rouan, Township Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance; and

That the Weathersfield Township Trustees does agree to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms of the **NatureWorks Grant Program.**

Motion by: Gil Blair

Seconded by: Marvin McBride

Vote: Gil Blair - Yes

Steve Gerberry - Yes

Marvin McBride - Yes

Motion Carried

- 19-021 Motion to **authorize Township Administrator David Rouan and Township employees to assist with the planning, preparation, set-up, operation, take-down, and other matters regarding the Weathersfield Township Flag Day Festival and the Flag Day Festival Parade** during regular Township work hours and to schedule additional hours during the evening or over the weekend on an as-needed basis at the direction and discretion of the Township Administrator.

Motion by: Marvin McBride

Seconded by: Gil Blair

Vote: Gil Blair - Yes

Steve Gerberry - Yes

Marvin McBride - Yes

Motion Carried

- 19-022 Motion to **authorize the use of the community park property** for the 2019 Weathersfield Township Flag Day Festival beginning on the morning of Monday, June 10th, 2019 and ending Monday, June 17th, 2019. The property can be used for any purpose associated with the festival.

Motion by: Marvin McBride

Seconded by: Gil Blair

Vote: Gil Blair - Yes

Steve Gerberry - Yes

Marvin McBride - Yes

Motion Carried

- 19-023 Motion to **authorize the Trumbull County Engineer's Office and the Trumbull County Commissioners to advertise for bids on behalf of Weathersfield Township for Ohio**

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Public Works Commission Project – Township Road Improvements Project. The advertisement for bids will be sometime this spring.

Motion by: Gil Blair

Seconded by: Marvin McBride

Vote: Gil Blair - Yes

Steve Gerberry - Abstained Marvin McBride - Yes

Motion Carried

19-024 **Motion to approve the Solid Waste Management Plan of the Geauga Trumbull County Solid Waste Management District;**

WHEREAS, the Geauga Trumbull Solid Waste Management District, by its Solid Waste Management Policy Committee, has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan for the District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3734.55(B), the Board of County Commissioners and the legislative authority of each municipal corporation or township under the jurisdiction of the District, must approve or disapprove the Plan by ordinance or resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Weathersfield Township Board of Trustees, Trumbull County, Ohio have reviewed the Plan and considered it at a duly called meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Plan furthers the public interest; and

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Solid Waste Management Plan of the Geauga Trumbull Solid Waste Management District, adopted by the Solid Waste Management Policy Committee on January 14, 2019, is hereby approved;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Fiscal Officer shall provide a certified copy of this Resolution of Approval to be delivered, or caused to be delivered, to the Solid Waste Management Policy Committee of the Geauga Trumbull Solid Waste Management District.

Motion by: Gil Blair

Seconded by: Marvin McBride

Vote: Gil Blair - Yes

Steve Gerberry - Yes

Marvin McBride - Yes

Motion Status

Public Comments:

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

Next Meetings:

Next Work Sessions: Every Thursday at 7:00 AM. (Except for Caucus Thursday)

Next Caucus: Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 8:00 AM.

Next Meeting: Regular Meeting: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 7:00 PM
The Trustees open forum begins at 6:15 PM.

Adjournment:

19-025 Motion to **adjourn the meeting.**

Motion by: Marvin McBride

Seconded by: Gil Blair

Vote: Gil Blair - Yes

Steve Gerberry - Yes

Marvin McBride - Yes

Motion Carried

Fred Bobovnyk, Fiscal Officer

H. Gilson Blair, Trustee

Steven J. Gerberry, Trustee

Marvin J. McBride, Trustee