

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Weathersfield Township Trustees Regular Meeting

Held on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 7:00 PM

**Call to order:** Steve Gerberry

**Pledge:** Completed

**Prayer:** Steve Gerberry

**Moment of Silence:** Please remember Joe Gilbert in your thoughts and prayers. Joe was a volunteer firefighter for our community for many years and he was a long-time member of the Mineral Ridge Fire Association.

**Roll Call:** Steven J. Gerberry - Present      Richard Harkins - Present  
Edward K. Whittaker - Present      Fred R. Bobovnyk - Present

### Correspondence/Announcements:

- The **Trustees would like to publicly thank and acknowledge Chief Lambert and his firefighters for their dedication and professionalism.** They have had to deal with two structure fires in our community over the last two weeks and their firefighting efforts were made even more difficult due to the extreme winter weather conditions.
- The **Trustees would like to publicly thank and acknowledge our Road Department employees for their excellent work over the last several weeks with the snow removal from our roadways because of the severe winter storms that we have had.** Many residents have complimented how well our roads were cleared of snow during these winter storm events.
- The **Trustees would like to thank those who helped with snow removal at our McKinley Heights Fire Station #40.**
- The **Trustees would like to announce the dates for this year's Spring Clean-Up Program which will be held the week of May 9, 2022.** Residents should put their material out on the same night as their regular pickup.
- The **Trustees would like to announce the dates for this year's Scrap Tire Pickup Program. Curbside collection will begin on Monday, May 9, 2022 and continue through Friday, May 13, 2022.** There is a limit of four car tires (off rims) per household, large truck tires will NOT be accepted. You can also drop-off your tires between 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM during the collection week at the Township Administration Building at 1451 Prospect Street, Mineral Ridge, Ohio 44440.
- **Armstrong, which is one of the cable providers in our community, has announced a rate adjustment for its customers.** The rate increases were announced at the end of last month and Armstrong customers should have received notification from them.

### 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 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:

None

### New Business:

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22-016 Motion to **approve the consent agenda**, which includes the following:

- **Minutes from the Reorganizational Meeting that was held on** Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 6:30 PM;
- **Minutes from the Regular Meeting that was held on** Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 7:00 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.**

Motion by: Rich Harkins

Seconded by: Edward Whittaker

Steven Gerberry - Yes

Vote: Richard Harkins - Yes Edward Whittaker - Yes

Motion Carried

22-017 Motion **to authorize Township Administrator David Rouan, on behalf of the board of Trustees, to apply for the 2022 Scrap Tire Grant from the Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste Management District.**

Motion by: Edward Whittaker

Seconded by: Rich Harkins

Steven Gerberry - Yes

Vote: Richard Harkins - Yes Edward Whittaker - Yes

Motion Carried

22-018 Motion **to authorize Township Administrator David Rouan, on behalf of the board of Trustees, to submit a Letter of Intent to Eastgate Regional Council of Governments, our Metropolitan Planning Organization, of the Townships intent to submit highway projects for funding through the Federal-Aid Highway Program.** The Township Highways that qualify for Federal-Aid Highway Program funding are: TH65 - Sections B, C, & D (Ohltown Girard Road/County Line Road) beginning at CR1239 (Four Mile Run Road) and continuing west to about 20 LF west of SR46 (Main Street); TH63 Sections C & D (Niles Carver Road) beginning at CR64 (Salt Springs-Youngstown Road) and continuing north to the Township limits; TH64 Section A (Salt Springs-Youngstown Road) beginning at CR64/CR72 (Salt Springs-Youngstown Road/Carson Salt Springs Road) and continuing west to CR67 (Austintown-Warren Road); and TH65 Section A (Ohltown Girard Road/West Web Road) beginning at the Township limits and continuing west to CR75 (Depot Street/Ohltown Mineral Ridge). The Federal-Aid Highway Program provides funding for 80% of the costs associated with the improvements.

Motion by: Rich Harkins

Seconded by: Edward Whittaker

Steven Gerberry - Abstained

Vote: Richard Harkins - Yes Edward Whittaker - Yes

Motion Carried

22-019 Motion to **authorize Township Administrator David Rouan to enter into an agreement, on behalf of the board of Trustees, for attractions, games, and food concessions with Bortner Shows Midway, LLC** of Columbiana, Ohio for the 2022 Flag Day Festival. There are no costs to the Township in this agreement, however, Bortner will pay the Township a 10% fee for the attractions and games.

Motion by: Edward Whittaker

Seconded by: Rich Harkins

Steven Gerberry - Yes

Vote: Richard Harkins - Yes Edward Whittaker - Yes

Motion Carried

22-020 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 2022 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: Rich Harkins

Seconded by: Edward Whittaker

Steven Gerberry - Yes

Vote: Richard Harkins - Yes Edward Whittaker - Yes

Motion Carried

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22-021 Motion to **authorize the use of the community park property for the 2022 Weathersfield Township Flag Day Festival** beginning on the morning of Monday, June 6, 2022 and ending Monday, June 13, 2022. The property can be used for any purpose associated with the festival.

Motion by: Edward Whittaker    Seconded by: Rich Harkins  
 Steven Gerberry - Yes            Vote: Richard Harkins - Yes    Edward Whittaker - Yes  
 Motion Carried

22-022 Motion **to authorize the purchase three new 2023 Ford F-750 6.7L V8 Diesel, Regular Cab and Chassis trucks for \$72,550.00 each** from Allstate Ford, LLC of Youngstown, Ohio for a total purchase price of \$217,650.00; and Township Administrator David Rouan is hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of the board of Trustees, all necessary documentation and agreements to effectuate the purchase. This purchase is being made in accordance with ORC §9.48.

Motion by: Rich Harkins            Seconded by: Edward Whittaker  
 Steven Gerberry - Yes            Vote: Richard Harkins - Yes    Edward Whittaker - Yes  
 Motion Carried

22-023 Motion to **authorize the Trumbull County Engineer's Office and the Trumbull County Commissioners to advertise for bids, on behalf of Weathersfield Township, for the Ohio Public Works Commission Project – 2022 Resurfacing Program.**

Motion by: Edward Whittaker    Seconded by: Rich Harkins  
 Steven Gerberry - Abstained    Vote: Richard Harkins - Yes    Edward Whittaker - Yes  
 Motion Carried

22-024 Motion **to authorize Chief Michael Naples, Jr., on behalf of the board of Trustees, to renew the annual service agreement with the Mahoning Valley Crisis Response Team (MVCRT)** and to contribute \$2,000.00. This fee is paid by all the law enforcement agencies within the response area of the MVCRT

Motion by: Rich Harkins            Seconded by: Edward Whittaker  
 Steven Gerberry - Yes            Vote: Richard Harkins - Yes    Edward Whittaker - Yes  
 Motion Carried

22-025 Motion to **designate Trustee Rich Harkins as the alternate for the chairman of the board of Trustees to attend the annual meeting of the Trumbull County Combined Health District Advisory Council and is hereby delegated the authority to vote on behalf of the chair pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §3709.03.**

Motion by: Edward Whittaker    Seconded by: Steve Gerberry  
 Steven Gerberry - Yes            Vote: Richard Harkins - Yes    Edward Whittaker - Yes  
 Motion Carried

### Public Comments:

Open Comments

### Next Meetings:

Next Meetings: Thursday, February 17, 2022, at 3:30 PM; Thursday, March 3, 2022 at 3:30 PM; and Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 7:00 PM.

### Adjournment:

22-026 Motion to **adjourn the meeting.**

Motion by: Rich Harkins            Seconded by: Edward Whittaker  
 Steven Gerberry - Yes            Vote: Richard Harkins - Yes    Edward Whittaker - Yes  
 Motion Carried

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