

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Weathersfield Township Trustees Regular Meeting

Held on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Call to order: Steve Gerberry

Pledge: Completed

Prayer: Steve Gerberry

Roll Call: Marvin J. McBride - Present Steven J. Gerberry - Present
 Rich Harkins - Present Fred R. Bobovnyk - Present

Correspondence/Announcements:

- The **Trustees would like to thank our first responders for their quick response and action to the severe weather event that affected our community on Sunday, August 18th, 2019. There were 28 trees down that closed various roadways within our community and numerous residents that had storm damage.**
- The **Trustees would like to announce that they will be hosting their Second Annual Oktoberfest this month.** The event will be held on Saturday, September 28th, 2019 from 1:30 PM until 10:00 PM. Attractions include free bocce play, inflatables, live performances by our own Aubrey Reese, the Soulshine Band, and the House Band, and the firefighters will have a beer tent with sausage and french-fries.
- The **Trustees and the Weathersfield Local School Districts 2019 Spirit Day Parade will be held next Thursday, September 19th, 2019 and beginning at 6:45 PM; the parade line-up at the high school beginning at 5:45 PM. Immediately after the parade there will be a bonfire for the high school football team.**
- The **Trustees would like to remind everyone that their 2019 Residential Tree Limb Chipping Program has begun.** The 2019 Residential Tree Limb Chipping Program begins on Friday May 3rd, 2019 and will continue each Friday through Friday October 25th, 2019. 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 **Boy Scouts will be holding their annual Flag Retirement Ceremony this Wednesday, September 11th, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Township Community Park.**
- The **Trustees would like to remind our residents about the grant program that is available through the Trumbull Neighborhood Partnership (TNP) for emergency home repairs for low-income homeowners.** TNP will begin accepting applications at their offices located at 736 Mahoning Avenue in Warren. For more information, residents may call 330-647-6301.
- The **Trustees would like to mention their support of the upcoming Warren-Trumbull Library levy.**

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 Steve Gerberry
- Law Director's Report – Presented by Cherry Poteet
- Regional Chambers Report – Presented by Steve Gerberry

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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:

- 19-117 Motion to ***acknowledge and recognize Jesy's Dairy Cove for their participation in this year's AAA Helmet Smart Bike Safety Campaign.*** Jesy's partnered with our department in sponsoring this year's unique campaign that promotes bicycle helmet usage through positive reinforcement. Our officers issued "safety citations" when they observed a child wearing a bike helmet while riding their bicycle. The child was then able to redeem the "safety citation" for one free ice cream cone at Jesy's Dairy Cove.

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Rich Harkins
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-118 Motion to ***recognize the following individual with the Weathersfield Township Trustees 2019 Community Leadership Award; this award is given annually to those individuals who, in the opinion of the board of Trustees, have demonstrated outstanding leadership and commitment to our community.***

The board of Trustees is proud to recognize those individuals from our community who exemplify leadership through community service and community involvement. The recipients of this award have helped our community envision the future, identify paths to success, and carry out a vision. These individuals have exhibited integrity, collaboration, and intellectual, emotional, and social growth. The award is given to those who have gone before us and to those who continue to serve us.

***The 2019 Honoree is:
 Fiscal Officer Fred R. Boboynyk***

Motion by: Rich Harkins Seconded by: Marvin McBride
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-119 Motion to ***approve the consent agenda***, which includes the following:

- ***Minutes from the Special Meeting*** Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at 7:00 PM;
- ***Minutes from the Regular Meeting*** Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at 7:00 PM;
- ***Minutes from the Special Meeting*** Saturday, August 17, 2019 at 1:00 PM;
- ***Minutes from the Regular Meeting*** Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 7:00 AM;
- ***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: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Rich Harkins
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-120 Motion to ***transfer \$15,808.86 from the General Fund to the Capital Projects Fund*** effective August 13, 2019; to ***transfer \$2,002.59 from the General Fund to the Capital Projects Fund*** effective August 23, 2019, and to ***transfer \$2,295.27 from the General Fund to the Capital Projects Fund*** effective August 27, 2019.

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Rich Harkins
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes

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- 19-121 Motion to Motion **to accept the Amounts and Rates as determined by the Trumbull County Budget Commission for the Tax Year 2020.**

Motion by: Rich Harkins Seconded by: Marvin McBride
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-122 Motion to **set the 2019 Trick or Treat event for Thursday, October 31st, 2019 from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM.** The board of Trustees has determined this to be the best date and time for this event.

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Rich Harkins
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-123 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 Oktoberfest Event** 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: Rich Harkins
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-124 Motion to **authorize Township Administrator David Rouan, effective August 20th, 2019, to apply for a 2020 State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP) project and/or Local Transportation Improvement Program (LTIP) project through the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for a Township Road Improvements Project.** This project is a safety upgrade and repaving project. The safety upgrade and repaving project consists of repairing curb inlets, storm pipe, milling 1 ½", partial depth pavement repair, and 1 ½" of asphaltic concrete surface course. The estimated total cost for the project is \$149,599.00 which will be funded 50% OPWC \$74,800.00 and 50% Local Match \$74,799.00 (\$70,799.00 Township & \$4,000.00 In-Kind Engineering by the Trumbull County Engineer's Office). The streets included in this proposed project are: TH1049 (Spruce Drive), TH1054 (Chestnut Drive), TH1055 (Poplar Drive), TH1057 (Oakview Drive), and TH 1314 (Walnut Drive).

Motion by: Rich Harkins Seconded by: Marvin McBride
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Abstained Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-125 Motion to **go into Executive Session** at 7:36 PM to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official.

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Rich Harkins
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-126 Motion to **come out of executive session** at 7:47 PM.

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Rich Harkins
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-127 Motion to **reassign Ken Boring from Fire Chief to Firefighter effective today, September 10th, 2019.** Ken will no longer respond to fire calls but he will continue to serve as the Fire Inspector and perform daily services as needed for both the fire

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department and for the Township. The board of Trustees would like to thank Chief Boring for his continued service and for his commitment to the residents of our Township.

Motion by: Rich Harkins Seconded by: Marvin McBride
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-128 Motion to ***promote Thomas Lambert from Fire Captain to Fire Chief effective today, September 10th, 2019.*** Fire Chief Lambert shall receive the compensation, benefits, and other considerations as set forth in the policies and procedures as adopted by the board of Trustees. The board of Trustees would like to thank Chief Lambert for his continued service and for his commitment to the residents of our Township.

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Rich Harkins
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-129 Motion to ***promote Jeff Tucker from Fire Lieutenant to Fire Captain for Station #41 effective today, September 10th, 2019.*** The board of Trustees would like to thank Captain Tucker for his continued service and for his commitment to the residents of our Township.

Motion by: Rich Harkins Seconded by: Marvin McBride
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

- 19-130 Motion to ***accept the resignation of Firefighter Thomas Cantola effective September 6th, 2019.*** The board Trustees would like to thank Thomas for his 11 years of service with our fire department and to the residents of our community.

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Rich Harkins
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

Public Comments:

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

Next Meetings:

Work Sessions: Every Thursday at 7:00 AM.

Next Meeting: Regular Meeting: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 7:00 PM
 The Trustees open forum begins at 6:15 PM.

Adjournment:

- 19-131 Motion to ***adjourn the meeting.***

Motion by: Marvin McBride Seconded by: Rich Harkins
 Vote: Rich Harkins - Yes Steve Gerberry - Yes Marvin McBride - Yes
 Motion Carried

Fred Bobovnyk, Fiscal Officer

Steven J. Gerberry, Trustee

Richard T. Harkins, Trustee

Marvin J. McBride, Trustee