

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF POLK TOWNSHIP  
CRAWFORD COUNTY, OHIO**

**Regular Meeting  
February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024  
7:00 P.M.**

The board met in a regular meeting pursuant to notice in the local newspaper and called to order at 7:00 PM. by Chairman Tom Ray. The Chairman called the roll, and the following members were present: Trustees: Tom Ray, Glenn Cheesman and Fiscal Officer Brett Young; Russell Sellman was absent. Also attending were Zoning Inspector Rick Jeffrey, Guests were John Hower from Rinehart Insurance, Ed Cotter from Sandusky Twp and Larry Shifley from 1175 Knorr Rd..

The minutes of the regular meeting on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 were read and approved. Glenn Cheesman made a motion to accept the minutes and Tom Ray seconded the motion. The roll call was the Vote: Glenn Cheesman and Tom Ray “aye”. Motion Passed.  
Motion Passed.

**February Check Register**

8-2024	Truly Nolen	65.00
9-2024	Columbia Gas of Ohio	561.33
10-2024	Elan Financial Services	648.10
11-2024	Delta Dental	192.15
12-2024	Vector Security	53.71
13-2024	MedMutual Life	89.13 VOID
14-2024	City of Galion Utilities	562.81
15-2024	Spectrum Business	174.76
10049	Skipped Warrants 10047 to 10049	0.00 VOID
10050	Ryan Lee Bash	193.61
10051	Lejagn E. Berry	498.77
10052	Glenn Ellis Cheesman	269.70
10053	Rickey E. Jeffrey	515.88
10054	Sharon Ann Kempf	330.36
10055	Thomas William Ray	1,009.04
10056	Russell Addison Sellman	1,009.04
10057	Brett Alan Young	1,589.60
10058	Ohio Public Employees Deferred Comp	750.00
10059	Municipal Court	199.50
10060	Polk Township	3.00
10061	National Lime & Stone	420.17
10062	Cole Distributing Inc.	352.81
10063	Keller Auto Parts, INC	25.98

10064	Stacey Ferguson	85.00
10065	Kurtzman Sanitation	58.61
10066	City of Galion Auditor	18,331.25
10067	Saunders Excavating	675.00
10068	United Bank	2,420.13
10069	Public Employee Retirement System	1,834.54
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>32,891.31</b>

**RESOLUTION: 3-2024:** Glenn Cheesman moved to accept the adoption of resolution 3-2024 to approve the beginning Check No. 10047 as the check number following the last Check No. 10046 from the last months check register, Tom Ray seconded the motion and the roll called with the following results; Glenn Cheesman and Tom Ray voted ‘Aye’. So, the resolution was adopted and the motion carried.

**‘2024’      FIRE/EMS    MUT AID      COLLECTED**

January  
February  
March  
April  
May  
June  
July  
August  
September  
October  
November  
December  
**EOY Total:**

<b><u>‘2023’</u></b>	<b><u>FIRE/EMS</u></b>	<b><u>MUT AID</u></b>	<b><u>COLLECTED</u></b>
January	4/19	F-0/EMS-0	\$2,693.98
February	1/21	F-0/EMS-0	\$3,141.91
March	6/22	F-0/EMS-0	\$3,600.64
April	11/18	F-0/EMS-0	\$2,657.34
May	04/18	F-0/EMS-0	\$5,963.91
June	05/24	F-0/EMS-0	\$2,322.56
July	05/31	F-2/EMS-43	\$3,441.52
August	09/27	F-5/EMS-53	\$3,830.14
September	07/24	F-3/EMS-29	\$3,788.33
October	06/31	F-0/EMS-0	\$5,317.94
November	06/22	F-0/EMS-0	\$8,177.75
December	07/33	F-0/EMS-0	\$5,080.45

**EOY Total:        71/290        F-10/EMS-135        \$50,018.47**  
**Galion millage for fire is 39% and 50% = 89% total.**

**CITIZENS REQUEST/COMPLAINTS:**

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Ed Cotter from Sandusky Twp. was asking for permission to use part of our Salt Bin as storage because they are building a new bin and need space for their salt. Tom stated to use the further north slot at this time. Ed stated that he figured it would be mid-summer till he could use their bin again. Glenn made a motion to allow Sandusky Twp to use our storage bin to store their Salt/Grit mixture until their bin is complete. Tom Ray seconded the motion. Glenn Cheesman and Tom Ray voted 'Aye'. So, the motion was adopted and the motion carried.

Larry Shifley lives at 1175 Knorr Rd and mentioned that his property is dealing with some flooding and drainage issues. Trustees stated that they are/have been looking into it.

John Hower from Rinehart Insurance gave an update on the insurance policy for March 2024 to March 2025. There were few changes within the policy; however, there were increases in certain categories. Tom had a question in regards to Ryan operating our CDL equipment without a CDL. John stated he would catch on it and see if there was a problem or issue.

**READING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

HB 315: Township Omnibus Bill – Brett mentioned this bill is at its 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and has several benefits for the Township (Public Notice, Indigent Burial Fund, Township License Plate, Township Preservation Commission, New Community Authority, Zoning Fines, Comprehensive Plan Updates, Marks and Brands)

HB 344: Property Tax Levies, complaints. Brett mentioned this bill is in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading and is going to Committee for approval.

HB 386: Phase out State Income Tax

HB 390: Excess Funds in Foreclosure Sales

HB 391: Accessible Parking

HB419: To License Companies that Manage Traffic Cameras

LGS Conference is scheduled for March 26-28, 2024.

**ZONING: Zoning Inspector (Rick Jeffrey) Report January/February 2024**

**1/24: Called David Shifley about permit 419-512-7627 and left message.**

**Call from Linda Campbell about building requirements 18 acres on corner of Knorr & Brandt, 419-545-2192 / 419-468-7811.**

**1/28: Issue permit #00040 to Dave Shifley addition, \$75.00 Check # 931 for pole barn.**

**2/1: Call from Tom Ray about 1815 Dawsett Ave. Rusty Ramsey wants to put a repair shop small engines there property is Residential. 567-303-9923 wants a variance and called Jeff Zeisler.**

**2/5: Call from Matt Barnett @ 1150 Cherington Dr. wants to Build 24x30 Pole barn  $\frac{3}{4}$  acre 1-419-788-7739 allowed a 24x24**

**Called Travis Koshnick about road width of Knorr Rd; county marked it.**

**2/6: Travis called and said they marked Knorr he's off right away about 16"**

**2/8: Called Ryan Bowman & set up time to meet with him and discuss building size 26 x30.**

**2/11: Meet with Matt Barnett @ 1150 Cherington to look at Lot & decided 24 x 24 was ok. Also, Ryan Bowman @ 1120 Winchester Rd. looked at lot and decided 24x40 allowed.**

**2/21: Called Michelle Renner with Cushman & Wakefield about 7916 Millsboro Rd. It is Industrial. Set up meeting with ZBA 614-456-0684**

***Those listed below were posted on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September***

***PROPERTIES IN NONCOMPLIANCE AFTER POSTING:***

- ***Penn property on SR309.***
- ***Swalley property on Monnett New Winchester Rd***
- ***Rufus property on SR 19***
- ***Nickler property on Hosford Rd.***
- ***Aller Property on SR 19***

Zoning Commission Meeting Update: Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each quarter at 6:30 PM unless meeting is changed and advertised in the newspaper.

**There being no further zoning business, the chair called for the consideration of old business.**

Mower – Financials have been sent over. Brett will review them and make sure they are ready to sign and approve at the March meeting. Delivery of the Mower should be next week. Pat will get back to me on exact date and time. Pat mentioned it should be scheduled to leave Factory on Wednesday and Delivery to township on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**There being no further old business, the chair called for the consideration of new business:**

ODOT Mileage Certification is signed and approved.

2025 Road Request - Brett handed the request for estimated Issue 1 projects to Glenn.

Knorr Tile Rd. -Tom stated that he remembers that they had a quote from Saunders years ago but it was crazy money. They are going to set up a meeting with Travis from the County Engineering Department to discuss things further.

**ROAD REPORT:**

**Tom: Plowed Friday Night/Saturday Morning; Mild Winter**

**Glenn: None**

**Russell: Absent**

The trustee certified that there was money in the funds to pay the bills.

**MOTION: Glenn Cheesman moved to pay the township bills and Tom Ray seconded the motion, on vote: Glenn Chessman and Tom Ray, “aye”, motion carried.**

**There being no further business, Motion to adjourn meeting by Glenn Cheesman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Ray. On vote Glenn Cheesman, and Tom Ray “aye”. Motion carried.**

**Adjourned @ 8:06**

**Chairman Tom Ray:** \_\_\_\_\_

**V-C Glenn Cheesman:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Trustee: Russell Sellman:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Absent** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Next meeting: March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 7pm.**