

**OFFICIAL
COITSVILLE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
May 15, 2024**

The Coitsville Township Board of Trustees met for a Regular Meeting on May 15, 2024 at the Coitsville Townhall with the following members present Mr. James Alfano-Chairperson, Mrs. Phyllis Johnson –Vice Chairperson, Mr. Gerald Backo-Trustee.

Call to Order

Mr. Alfano called the meeting to order and asked for roll call and led the pledge of allegiance. He also asked for a moment of silence for the residents that have passed away.

Approval of Minutes Mr. Backo made motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 17, 2024. Mr. Alfano seconded the motion. Backo-aye Alfano-aye, Johnson-aye. Motion passed.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

ROAD REPORT Mr. Backo reported that the department has been busy trying to get grass cut and clean ditches in between the rain. He reported that Mahoning County Engineer is also out cutting grass. Spring Trash pickup was a success.

ZONING REPORT Mr. Kurilla presented the trustees with the final report of the Demolishen Project Phase 2. He has submitted a reimbursement request from the Mahoning County Commissioners for \$42,816.44.

He also reported that the home on Wilson Lane has also been demolished. Crump did an excellent job on the project. He stated that we will have to place a lien on the property for the cost of this project since it was not on the original list.

ZONING CONT: Mr. Kurilla discussed the targeted structures for the Land Bank Demolishen Project. The township needs to notify property owners that their property is on the list to be demolished. He requested the Trustees pass resolution declaring properties unfit.

Resolution 5-17-2024-01 Mrs. Johnson made a motion to add the following properties to the Land Bank Demolishen Project. The properties have been previously inspected by the Township Fire Chief and recommended to be removed from the premises and property parcel as being unsafe, insecure, structurally defective; and or a danger to life and health and unfit for human habitation. The legal notice of the Board of Trustees declaration of nuisance abatement and intention to remove and demolish said structures be given in accordance with ORC 505.86. See list of properties attached to minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alfano. Mr. Backo asked if any of these locations can be changed before demotion. Mr. Kurilla explained that he needs to discuss if changes can be made with the properties. He explained that Coitsville is in the grant application and this project will be completed if the Land Bank receives funding for this project. Mr. Alfano asked for a roll call vote. Johnson-aye, Alfano-aye, Backo-aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Kurilla also discussed a property on McGuffey that has been clearing without filing a Soil and Water erosion plan with the County. A meeting was held with four agencies on the site. The County agency are the lead on this project.

Mrs. Johnson thanked Mr. Kurilla for his hard work on all the Demolishen projects.

FIRE REPORT- Chief Warren gave a detailed report that is on file at the Fire Station. He requested increase appropriations professional services.

He reported that the septic system is ready to go as soon as it is approved. The department has been successful in all six grants they have applied for this year. He reported that the refrigerator is out of the basement and will put in service in station when the kitchen is remolded.

He thanked the Board and the County Commissioners for granting the additional funding needed for the Fire Station addition from the County.

He reported that he met with the Fiscal Officer for a mid-year financial review and everything looks good for the year.

POLICE REPORT -Captain Brown provided the board with a detailed report for the past month which is on file at the Police Station. He reported that they are really buckling down on speeding on township roads especially Hubbard road. They are currently giving residents a warning citation.

Resolution 05-17-2024-02-Mrs. Johnson made a motion to hire Nicholas Jones and Egor Oliver as part time Police Officers with a one-year probation at the current rate of part time police of \$16.50. Mr. Backo seconded. Johnson-aye, Backo-aye, Alfano-aye. Motion passed.

Mrs. Johnson swore in the new Police Officers and the Officers introduced themselves to the Board and community members.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT-

Mrs. Partika reviewed the financial reports that were sent to the trustees and department heads for review. She asked for approval of the following motions:

Resolution 5-17-2024-03 Mrs. Johnson made a motion to approve the April Bank Reconciliation, the Cash Summary by Fund, Budget vs Appropriated Report, Appropriation Status, Revenue Status and Payment List containing EFT 163-2024 to 300-2024 and warrants 23824-23856. Mr. Alfano seconded. Johnson-aye, Alfano-aye, Backo-aye. Motion passed.

Resolution 5-17-2024-04 Mr. Backo made a motion to approve the charges on April Credit Card Charges. Mr. Alfano seconded the motion. Backo-aye, Alfano-aye. Johnson-aye. Motion passed.

Resolution 5-17-2024-05 Mrs. Johnson made a motion to changes appropriations including increasing appropriations for the sewer project in fund 1000-110-360-0000 by \$90,0000 and the fire fund 2111-220-310-000 by 15,000 and the Fire Fund 2111-220-740-000 by \$11,000. Mr. Backo seconded the motion. Johnson-aye, Backo-aye, Alfano-aye Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS-Comments were made by residents Tammy Parto and Michelle Packner.

COMMUNICATIONS- No communications at this time.

OLD BUSINESS: Mrs. Johnson reported that she will be meeting with Phoenix Engineering regarding the final plans which will be sent to the prosecutor for review.

Mrs. Johnson reviewed the plans for the Flag Day ceremony which will be held on June 14, 2024 to honor our Police, Fire and Veterans.

Mrs. Johnson reported that she received a \$5,000 Donation from a veteran to be used for flag day celebrations and care of the memorial park,

Mrs. Johnson reported that the Newsletter will be coming out this week.

NEW BUSINESS- There was no new business.

ADJOURN

Mrs. Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Backo seconded. Johnson-aye, Backo-aye, Alfano-aye. Motion passed.

ATTEST

CHAIRPERSON

VICE-CHAIRPERSON

TRUSTEE