

The Board of Liberty Township Trustees met in Regular Session at the township administration office on Monday, March 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members in attendance, Mr. Arnie Clebone, Mr. Gregory Cizmar and Mr. Devon Stanley, presiding.

Fiscal Officer Matthew Connelly presented his financial report. The township is receiving real estate advances. The appropriations budget will be approved at the Friday, March 24, 2023 meeting. In addition to the NOPEC Grants the township has secured \$2.8 Million in grant money. Matthew stated the loans for the two ambulances have been paid off.

Administrator's Report –Mrs. Martha Weirick thanked the Fiscal Officer for submitting the NOPEC Grant applications for the current year. The Community and Historical Society will be meeting at Shephard of the Valley Tuesday, March 21st at 5:30 p.m. with guest speaker Beth Carmichael, Executive Director of Trumbull County Tourism Bureau. The Easter Bunny and egg hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 1st at 10:00 a.m.

Fire Department – Chief Doug Theobald was contacted by FEMA regarding their standby services during the East Palestine disaster. The Finance Director of Norfolk Southern will be working with the Chief to make financial restitutions for their assistance during the East Palestine disaster. ISO score has improved since last year.

Police Department – Chief Toby Meloro presented his report. Coffee with a Cop is scheduled for March 31st from 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. at Shephard of the Valley.

Road Department – Mr. Wayne Hickman said once the weather cooperates, we can finish the drainage matters and put in the additional plantings at Churchill Park. Road striping will be done to finish the 2022 Road Resurfacing Program. The 2023 OPWC Resurfacing Program bids are being prepared by the County Engineers. Naylor Lloyd brim flailing is ongoing by the road crew and Advanced Tree Service. A preconstruction meeting is scheduled. Wayne is hopeful we soon hear if we received the Community Development Block Grant for Townsend. The grant was submitted by the Trumbull County Planning Commission on the township's behalf.

Zoning Department – Mr. Jim Rodway was absent.

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2023 Regular meeting.

Motion: Mr. Clebone. Second. Mr. Cizmar.

Roll Call: Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve warrant/eft expenditures for the month of February 2023 in the amount of \$838,673.21 warrants #24821 through #24924 inclusive.

Motion: Mr. Cizmar. Second: Mr. Stanley.

Roll Call: Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Purchase Order Listing (0-Then and Now Certificates) for the month of February 2023.

Motion: Mr. Cizmar. Second. Mr. Clebone.

Roll Call: Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Motion carried.

A citizen asked about the clean up now that the logging behind Academy Drive is over. Trustee Clebone assured the resident the company intends to return when the weather breaks to do some clean up.

Trustee Clebone remarked how nice Sams Shop Convenience Store is which was recently opened, Its located in the same plaza as KNafa and Kravitz deli.

Trustee Greg Cizmar said another successful auction netted approximately \$18,000. Received two new cruisers this week. The Board is moving forward with the 2023 road paving program. Loganway Drive, runs between Logan Swim and Fire Dept., will be paved by Trumbull County this year.

Motion to adjourn at 6:25 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Stanley. Second: Mr. Cizmar.

Roll Call: Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Motion carried.

Next regular business meeting March 24, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

MATTHEW CONNELLY, FISCAL OFFICER

DEVON STANLEY, CHAIRPERSON