

The Board of Liberty Township Trustees met in a Regular Session on Friday, May 20, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. with the following members in attendance, Mr. Gregory Cizmar, Mr. Arnold Clebone and Mr. Devon Stanley, presiding.

Congratulations to Chief Theobald & the Fire Department selected to receive an Equipment Grant from the State Fire Marshals the year 2022 in the amount of \$10,000.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, May 9, 2022 Regular meeting.

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

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

22-87 Motion to transfer \$30,460.00 from the General Fund to the Police Fund for their share of funds collected.

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

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

22-88 Motion to transfer \$4,898.00 from the General Fund to the Police Fund for vehicles sold at auction.

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

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

22-89 Motion to hire Zachary Briganti as a part time seasonal park employee at \$10.00 per hour, no benefits. First day worked is his hire date.

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

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

22-90 Motion to hire Vincent Pezzuto as a part time seasonal park employee at \$10.00 per hour, no benefits. First day worked is his hire date.

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

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

22-91 Motion to accept Fire Lieutenant Aric Andersons resignation effective May 15, 2022. We wish Aric continued success now and in the future.

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

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

22-92 Motion to pass the following resolution for grass abatements:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby determines that the owner's maintenance of vegetation, garbage, refuse and other debris upon the following properties constitutes a nuisance:

Address:	Parcel No.:
3107 HADLEY	12-335075
3109 HADLEY	12-010815
2978 NORTHVIEW	12-378823
234 TRUMBULL	12-083700
427 MANSELL	12-419540
206 E LIBERTY	12-423135
557 MURRAY HILL	12-004920
5103 FIFTH	12-519040
1116 CHURCHILL	12-573040
1080 CHURCHILL	12-553500
4095 WHIPPOORWILL	12-659651
2506 FIFTH AVE	12-572000
1146 TOWNSEND	12-538060
3016 NORTHGATE	12-042981
3807 BELMONT AVE	12-119400
3523 BELMONT AVE	12-702145
702 CHURCHILL	12-397100

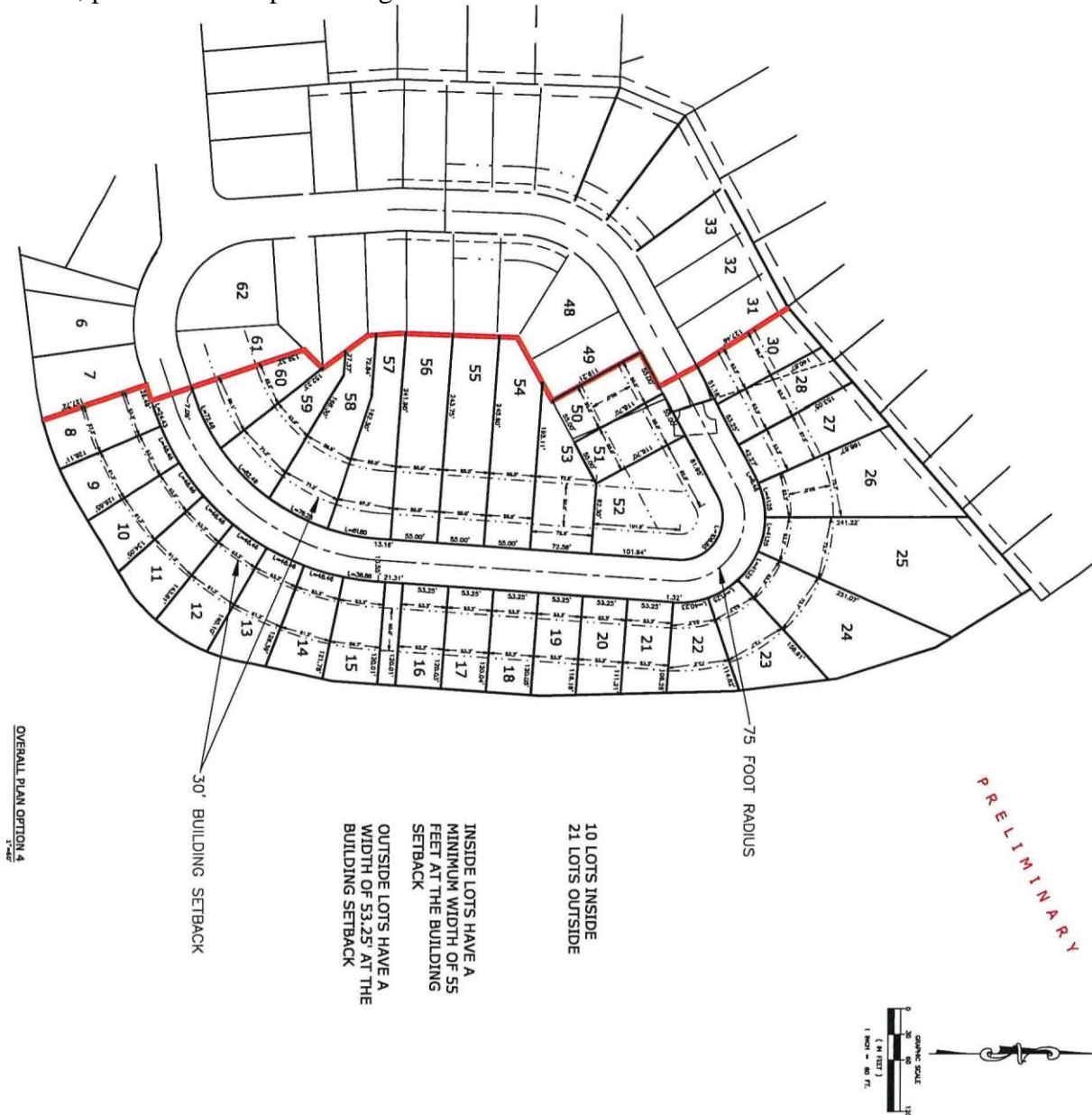
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of this Board’s intent to provide for the abatement, control, or removal of said vegetation, garbage, refuse or other debris constituting said nuisance be given to all owners of the land and holders of liens of record upon said land in accordance with **Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon proper notice, and failure of the property owner to abate said nuisance within seven days, the Board of Trustees provide for the abatement, control, or removal of said vegetation, garbage, refuse or other debris constituting said nuisance in accordance with **Section 505.87 (B) O.R.C.**

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

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

22-93 Motion to approve the request of Home and Land Developers LLC to subdivide the approximately 9.7-acre property (Parcel No. 12-764703) into thirty-two (32) single family home lots, identified as lots numbered 8-30 and 50-60 as shown on the Map of Subdivision below, per the township PUD regulations.



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

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

22-94 Motion to reallocate \$31,750.00 from the 2111-220-599-1323 Fire Reserve Line to the 211-220-490-0029 Other Turnout Gear line purchase 10 sets of turnout gear sets from Municipal Emergency Services.

Motion: Mr. Clebone. Second: Mr. Stanley.

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

22-95 Motion to purchase and install Striker Cot using 2273-230-700-1321 ARP Funds at approximately \$57,000 subject to legal counsel review.

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

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

22-96 Motion to appropriate the funds from the 2111-220-599-1323 and request reimbursement from NOPEC Grants for the Fire Station Roof and Chimney repairs.

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

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

Zoning Officer Jim Rodway discussed 810 Colonial Drive changes in agreement.

Fire Chief Doug Theobald reported we are still in the running for 2 FEMA Grants. The \$10,000 Equipment Grant awarded will most likely go towards battery powered smoke detectors, gloves, and hoods. The State Fire Marshal is working with the Chief on several properties in the township who have multiple violations or operating illegally. Trustee Clebone thanked the department for cutting the grass at the Fire Station and for working with the JCC training their employees on several safety matters.

Road Superintendent Wayne Hickman reported RT Vernal will be completing the 2021 punch list and should be starting the 2022 paving program in June. Road crew working on drainage, pipe hot mix, culvert replacements, ditch pipe and cemetery. Drainage pipes at Lakeview and W. Montrose need replaced. Chagrin Valley Paving has a punch list to complete. The flush truck is going to Jack Doheny for service. Streetsweeper should be ready this week for pick up. The Street sweepings are being removed and disposed of to EPA standards. However, the money allocated for this year's disposals will run out but there will still be a pile of sweepings left over. Trustee Greg Cizmar will be contacting Girard about their sweeper to see if they are willing to sell it to the township for parts since it's the same sweeper we have. Ohio Edison was at Churchill Park to do their part for the Squaw Creek Project. Someone struck the guardrail at Sampson Road; Wayne asked the Police Chief he could get a copy of the OSP report. Cemetery Sexton Tim Monroe has been in contact with Niles Company to do foundations at the Cemetery. Tim and Wayne walked through both parks. Center Park has a lot of safety concerns. The Board would like to see these issues addressed, starting with safety concerns. At Churchill Park, the road crew will cordon off the area around the damaged shelter. Modarelli will cordon off the area around his work. A memorial of bricks at Churchill Park will be removed and relocated to another location away from the constant erosion in that area.

Trustee Stanley left the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Police Chief Toby Meloro reminded everyone of Coffee with a Cop on Thursday 9:00 a.m. at the Landmark Restaurant. Chief was approached by a resident about poor lighting on Academy Drive. Chief had his night crew officers travel down Academy Drive at Virginia Trail. They reported the area is dark and could use streetlights in the area. Chief would like to address the matter further with the Board but had to leave for another meeting.

Fiscal Officer Matthew Connelly said the issues we encountered with the check fraud scam have been mostly resolved. The bank has returned all the money and most fees. They still need to return fees that our vendors encountered. BWC contacted Matt regarding a BWC audit. The Bi-annual State Audit, after our initial contact by them, appears to have temporarily stalled.

Administrator Martha Weirick will set up a labor management meeting for June 7th with the Fire Department (who requested the meeting).

Motion to adjourn meeting at 11:05 a.m.

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

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

Next meeting Friday, May 27, 2022 @ 8:30 a.m.

MATT CONNELLY
FISCAL OFFICER

DEVON STANLEY
CHAIRPERSON