The Board of Liberty Township Trustees met in Regular Session at the township administration office on Monday, June 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members in attendance, Mr. Devon Stanley, Mr. Arnie Clebone and Mr. Gregory Cizmar.

Fiscal Officer's reported that the STAR Ohio account will earn the Township approx. \$125K more in interest in a year than at the Bank. He mentioned about the reason for the change of the TPA to Sedgwick was due to 3 reasons, saving \$3,500/yr. on service fees, ability to earn up to \$28K/yr on group retro rebates and that Sedgwick is preferred provider to Public entities, recommended by OTA with great customer Service and response time. An amended Certificate will be done to report added earnings YTD this week to the County. The Alternate Tax Budget is done and to Trustees for review and approval at next meeting hopefully.

Reports

Township Administrator Martha Weirick not present, but left her report to let residents know about the Music in the Park at CHP this summer and that there are flyers present at meeting for anyone to have.

Fire Dept representative Al Rivalsky talked about the # of calls as of end of May being 1,413 and as of today being 1,541.

Police Chief Toby Meloro talked about his report being given to the Trustees.

Road Department Mr. Wayne Hickman commented about his report being given to the Trustees as well

Jim Rodway, Zoning, talked about his report being given to the Trustees as well.

New Business:

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2023 Regular meeting.

Motion: Mr. Cizmar. Second: Mr. Stanley

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

Motion to approve warrant/eft expenditures for the month of May 2023 in the amount of \$897,742.48, warrants #25103 through #25219 inclusive.

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

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

Motion to approve the Purchase Order Listing and the Then and Now Certificates for the month of May 2023.

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

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

23-95 Motion to enter into an agreement with Sedgwick effective September 1, 2023 as the township's Third Party Administrator for Worker's Comp and authorize the Fiscal Officer to prepare, sign and forward the agreement by July 1, 2023.

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

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

23-96 Motion to enter into an agreement between the Teamsters Local 377 Full-Time Clerks and Secretaries and the Board of Trustees of Liberty Township effective May 28, 2023 through April 30, 2026.

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

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

23-97 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: 1826 Churchill Parcel No.: 12-594500

228 Euclid 12-083365 1109 Mansell 12-564910

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. Clebone.

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

Citizen's speaking on other matters:

Mrs. Miller, 1110 Academy Dr., spoke about acreage behind the home is unsightly, dangerous and something has to be done about it. Can Home Rule #3 be used? The logging/timbering is bad, and they are afraid of a fire with the dry season so far. Mr. Miller wants the ORC # about logging.

Atty. Jeff Kurz, Virginia Trail resident affected by the logging is concerned about fire but is most concerned about the clean-up of the debris AND the Public Health & Safety aspect of the area left behind. He says Atty. Ed Saadey is our friend in this circumstance, for us to ask him for his help.

Mr. William Tenney – Academy Dr. resident, lives next to Miller's and agrees completely with the Millers about the situation they find themselves in.

All Trustees and our Zoning Officer responded with empathy, concern, and explanation of what they have done and are actively doing with State and Local public officials, owners of properties, logging companies, etc.

Trustees Remarks:

Arnie Clebone – Bike Belmont was a success, had 75 bikers involved. New rehab hospital coming to where old K-Mart was located on Belmont & Trumbull avenues. Also looking to place sidewalks from Giant Eagle to Liberty St.

Greg Cizmar - commented about the successful car auction, Churchill Park renovations coming along well, the new Hotel coming on Motor Inn Dr. and the nice landscaping on I-80 & Belmont areas.

Devon Stanley – just piggybacked on the other 2 trustees about all of the successful building going on in the Township.

Motion to adjourn at 6:36 p.m. and end meeting.

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

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

Next meeting is a Regular Meeting, June 30, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

MATT CONNELLY, FISCAL OFFICER DEVON STANLEY, CHAIRPERSON