

The Board of Liberty Township Trustees met in Regular Meeting on Friday, July 30, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. with the following members in attendance, Mr. Devon Stanley, Mr. Arnold Clebone and Mr. Gregory Cizmar, presiding.

Motion to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2021 Regular meeting.

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

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

21-119 The trustees approve the request of Home and Land Developers LLC to subdivide the approximately 5.8-acre property (Parcel No. 12-764743) into single family home lots as shown on the Map of Subdivision Lot D, Kline's Farm Plat No. 1, per the township PUD regulations.

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

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

21-120 Motion to transfer the following amounts from the General Fund to the Police Fund for Tow Yard fees, Court Fines, and Traffic Camera:

From Code 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter	Amount Due Police Fund
1000-910-910-0000 Transfers OUT General Fund	<u>\$18,708.00</u>
2081-931-0000 Transfer IN to Police Tow yard	<u>\$18,708.00</u>

1000-401-0221 Transfer OUT General Fund	<u>\$5,819.48</u>
2081-931-0000 Transfer to Police Court Fines	<u>\$5,819.48</u>

1000-910-910-0000 Blue Line Traffic Camera	<u>\$230,085.65</u>
2081-931-0000 Transfer IN Police Fund	<u>\$230,085.65</u>

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

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

21-121 Motion to pass the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION DECLARING STRUCTURES TO BE INSECURE, UNSAFE, STRUCTURALLY DEFECTIVE AND/OR UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION AND ORDERING THE PROPERTY OWNER TO DEMOLISH THE BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1965 TIBBETTS WICK ROAD, LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO.**

**WHEREAS**, Ohio Revised Code Section 505.86 authorizes a Board of Trustees to provide for the removal, repair, or securance of buildings or other structures within the Township that have been declared insecure, unsafe, structurally defective, or unfit for human habitation, and to provide for the repair, demolition and removal of said structures; and;

**WHEREAS**, Trumbull County Building Inspector has inspected the property located at 1965 Tibbetts Wick Road, Liberty Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, and has declared the residential dwelling and accessory structure on the property to be a serious hazard that is dangerous to human life; insecure and unsafe due to structural defects with structural deficiency in the roof system and foundation, and the structure has failed in several locations;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of Liberty Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, by authority of Section 505.86 of the Ohio Revised Code, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The structures on the property located at 1965 Tibbetts Wick Road, Liberty Township, Trumbull County, Ohio, Permanent Parcel No. 12-305480, (hereinafter “the Property”) are hereby determined to be unsafe and structurally defective thereby constituting a direct threat to the public health and safety pursuant to Section 505.86 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 2.** The Liberty Township Board of Trustees hereby orders the Property Owner to abate the nuisance by demolition and removal of said structures, pursuant to Section 505.86 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 3.** The Zoning Inspector is hereby instructed to notify the Property owner and all lienholders of record by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the Township's declaration of nuisance and demand to abate said nuisance by demolition, and the right to request a hearing in writing within twenty days after the notice is mailed, pursuant to RC 505.86(B) and(C).

**SECTION 4.** If the Property Owner or Lienholders of record fail to request a hearing before the Board within twenty days or provide for the demolition and removal of said nuisance structures within thirty days of the notice, the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to obtain proposals from contractors and enter into a contract for the repair or demolition and removal of the Structures.

**SECTION 5.** The total cost of the repair or removal of the structures and all associated site restoration work shall be assessed to the owner(s) of record and the Liberty Township Fiscal Officer shall certify the total costs, together with a proper description of the lands, to the county Auditor who shall place the costs upon the tax duplicate. The costs are a lien upon such lands from and after the date of entry. The costs shall be collected as other taxes and returned to the township general fund.

**SECTION 6.** That this Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board which resulted in informal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 7.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately, or upon the earliest date as otherwise allowed by law.

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

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

21-122 Motion to increase the 1000-610-599-1253 Park Improvement line by \$12,000.00 for Phase II of the Little Squaw Creek Improvements. Remarks: Mr. Clebone said it came under budget.

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

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

21-123 Motion to enter into an agreement with DOT Construction for crack sealing pavement at \$0.40/square yard. Estimated cost \$34,214.40.

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

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

21-124 Motion to promote John Corman as a probationary full time firefighter paramedic, first day worked is his hire date.

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

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

21-125 Motion to hire Joseph Danks as a probationary full time firefighter paramedic, first day worked is his hire date.

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

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

Discussion: Teamsters union rep, Rodney Bartlett addressed the Board of Trustees regarding Juneteenth and asked the Board to contact him when they make any decisions on a memorandum change for the Teamsters contracts.

Administrator Weirick offered Fiscal Officer Matt Connelly's report to the Board for review. Also OPWC roads were discussed by the Board for next year's paving program. NOPEC Grant funding projects discussed. All agreed to looking into replacing a roof in the fire department. BWC Retrospective Program was discussed.

Chief Meloro reminded everyone National Night Out is August 3<sup>rd</sup> to bring back a true sense of community. The parade starts at 6:30 p.m., travels down Shady Road and ends at the backside of the LYRIC Building. Games, a car show, the 910<sup>th</sup> Air Lift will be present. K9 and drone demonstrations will be offered, and a movie will be shown later in the evening for the children. A variety of community sponsored tables will be on hand. Food and drinks will be available. Chief also, mentioned Party at Churchill Park will be held on August 10th starting at 5:30 p.m. Live music and food vendors will be available selling sandwiches and popcorn. Davey Resource Group will be on hand to explain the renovations and future plans for the park.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:10 a.m.

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

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

**No meetings in August.** Next meeting Friday September 3, 2021 @ 8:30 a.m.

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MATT CONNELLY  
DEPUTY FISCAL OFFICER

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GREG CIZMAR, CHAIRPERSON