January 19, 2021

Regular Meeting

\*Pursuant to HB 197/HB 404, the Township Building is closed to the public and this meeting was held via teleconference and broadcast for public attendance on Facebook Live on the “Pierpont, OH” Facebook page\*

Chairman Barbara Culp called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the trustees present in the township hall.

Roll call of Board attendance: Trustee Barb Culp, Trustee Pam Hudson, Trustee Bob Jackson. Fiscal Officer Jennifer Hoover was present as well.

Approval of prior meeting minutes:

As all trustees have already read the minutes of the January 5, 2021 regular meeting, the minutes were approved as presented. (Trustee Hudson had one very minor correction relating to the issues with her cell phone service)

Approval of Bills:

Trustee Culp presented $3,373.95 in bills. Trustee Hudson moved to pay the bills presented. Trustee Jackson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Trustee Culp also listed the receipts since the last meeting, totaling $1,381.28.

Fiscal Officer’s Report

Correspondence since last meeting:

* Trustee Culp advised they received a thank you card from a resident who received a welcome basket.

Committee/Department Reports:

**Road Report**:

* Nothing new to report

**Zoning Inspector**

* Zoning Inspector Rich Rea advised he is working on a new zoning application and now keeping track of interactions and permits on a spreadsheet. He also presented his 2020 zoning report.

**Zoning Commission:**

Next meeting is January 28, 2021 at 6:00PM.

**Parks Commission:**

n/a

**Revitalization Committee:**

Next meeting is March 15, 2021

Unfinished/Old Business:

* Trustee Culp advised that she spoke with Catherine Colgan, Assistant County Prosecutor, regarding Fire/EMS contracts and the fire department’s concerns. She also suggested that the Fire contract mirror the EMS contract in following years.
* Trustee Jackson brought up Zoning Inspector pay and suggested an additional $50/month. Trustee Culp moved to rehire Rich Rea as the Zoning Inspector for 2021. Motion seconded by Trustee Hudson. All in favor, motion passed. Trustee Jackson moved to pay Zoning Inspector an additional $50/month. Motion seconded by Trustee Culp. All in favor, motion passed.

New Business:

* Trustee Culp advised that the township received the NOPEC Energized Community Grant (NEC) in the sum of $1,373.00 for 2021. This grant is for energy efficiency and infrastructure and could be used on the townhall remodel. She also mentioned that the township has placed the past couple years grants in escrow so that money will also be available to use.
* Trustee Culp has been in contact with several different options for cemetery record access to the public.

Miscellaneous:

* Trustee Hudson reminded business owners to submit their information for the township directory.
* Trustee Culp advised that the next newsletter is at the printer and should be out next week.
* Trustee Jackson added that the new administration (presidential) has talked of $350 billion for local governments so additional funding may be possible.
* Trustee Culp added that the township received another shipment of masks that tie from BWC if anyone needed them.
* Trustee Hudson reminded everyone of PVFD pizza sales on Friday nights.
* Trustee Hudson discussed COVID-19 and encouraged the vaccine if you have it available to you. She also advised that Pierpont was up to 36 cases.

Public Comment:

None.

There being no further business, Trustee Hudson moved to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned.

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Fiscal Officer