Charlestown Township Portage County, Ohio

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Township Board of Trustees Meeting Sign-In

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Bruce Lange	Trustee	Vacet-9
Adam Eskridge	Trustee	The s
Susan Forgacs	Fiscal Officer	1346
Rick Grund	Road, Cemetery, Park, Zoning	Rh M
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The Regular Business meeting of the Charlestown Township Board of Trustees was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 5:30 pm by Mr. Tim Patrick on Monday, November 13, 2023.

Trustees - Chair Tim Patrick, Vice-Chair Bruce Lange, Adam Eskridge - present; Fiscal Officer-Susan Forgacs present.

Mr. Patrick made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 23, 2023 Regular Business Meeting; it was seconded by Mr. Lange and passed.

GUESTS

Family members of James Root – Connie Scott, George Richards, Elizabeth Sander, Jaime Timmons – present to discuss township plans for cemetery. Expressed desire to work with the township on possible cemetery extension. Concerned about drainage / flooding issues along property line. Also concerned about township using eminent domain to take family property. Trustees assured the family they have no desire to take property. Family thanked trustees for their transparency in the planning.

Ms. Bev Kertoy present to ask the trustees about large solar and wind farms within the township. The trustees have researched this issue and have attended meetings. They sent a letter to the county commissioners stating the township does not want to participate in large wind or solar farms. Any proposed small farms would be decided on case-by-case basis. Individual wind / solar installations are addressed in the zoning regulations. Lengthy discussion of pros and cons held. Mr. Lange will be attending the county township association meeting this week and ask what other townships are doing.

REPORTS

Zoning

No report

Roads

Mr. Grund receiving call from resident on Brave Chief road asking if the township takes care of leaves; was told no; she was going to call the county.

Resident at 6438 Knapp road concerned about hole along driveway and road that is possibly due to drainage; Mr. Patrick to assess.

Mr. Grund will be on vacation 11/24 - 12/1; will respond to snow removal and funeral needs that may occur during his vacation.

Cemetery

No report.

Park

No report.

Fire Department

Fire Chief Randy Porter reports 241 Fire/EMS calls year-to-date; an increase of 29 calls compared to last year.

Prepared to participate in the Santa Delivery on 12/7/23.

Fiscal Officer

Ms. Forgacs presented prices for the Garrett Pin Finder devise for the cemetery. Mr. Patrick made a motion to purchase for \$127; it was seconded by Mr. Lange and passed.

Received check from Edinburg auction for mower and other equipment; \$18,405.00

Will be attending all-day UAN update on 12/4/23

Received quote from DeAngelo Contracting Services to spray guard rails next year. Mr. Patrick made a motion to approve the quote; it was seconded by Mr. Lange and approved.

Kimble changing dumpster pick up day to Wednesday.

Received call from person looking to purchase property on corner of State Route 5 and Esworthy asking if zoned business.

Working on cemetery records with Mr. Grund and Mr. Trocchio.

Trunk or Treat went well; rained up until start time. Had about 25 cars.

Trustees

Mr. Lange reports Mr. Don Trocchio has completed the survey at the cemetery; will print out several copies of the enlarged map for our records. Will be getting rules for cremation that Maplegrove uses as sample for our plans.

Will be attending the County Township Association meeting at Shalersville this Saturday. Displayed current maps of township business district from Regional Planning. Mr. Patrick to contact Regional Planning regarding Route 5 Sand & Gravel and Crest Rubber properties that have reverted back to R-1 due lack of business operations for more than 2 years as stated in zoning regulations.

Mr. Eskridge asked for updates on the Frank Jackson property on Knapp Road; the new owner is an LLC that has not responded to the township or county prosecutor's notices. Prosecutor was pursuing this issue with the attorney general. Taxes are up-to-date but no junk / abandoned equipment has been removed.

States the new salt shed complete and looks good.

Working with Rick to get flag pole holders; will forward details to fiscal officer to order.

Mr. Patrick moved to pay bills. Mr. Lange seconded. All votes were yes, motion carried.

Mr. Patrick moved to adjourn. Mr. Lange seconded. All votes were yes, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

CHAIRMAN

FISCAL OFFICER