

SMITH TOWNSHIP ORGANIZATIONAL & FIRST REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2020  
AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE

**\*\* 2020 Organizational Meeting \*\***

The meeting was called to order with a prayer & Pledge of Allegiance by Fiscal Officer, Audrey Fox.  
Roll Call:

Mr. Showalter	Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Excused	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Criss	Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Excused	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Mannion	Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Excused	<input type="checkbox"/>

Attorney, Mark Finamore was *not* present.

Appoint Fiscal Officer as Chairperson:

1. Motion to appoint Fiscal Officer Chairperson Pro Tem.  
Passed.

Moved by: Showalter Seconded by: Criss

Roll Call Vote:

✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter  
✓ Yes No Mr. Criss  
✓ Yes No Mr. Mannion

\*\*\*\*Fiscal Officer Entertains Motion for Appointment of Chairperson\*\*\*\*

Appoint Chairman

2. Motion to appoint Dave Mannion as Chairperson for 2020:  
Passed.

Moved by: Showalter Seconded by: Criss

Roll Call Vote:

✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter  
✓ Yes No Mr. Criss  
✓ Yes No Mrs. Fox

\*\*\*Fiscal Officer turns gavel over to Elected Chairperson for further proceedings\*\*\*

Appoint Officers

3. Motion to appoint Officers:

Vice Chairman: Terry Criss  
Roads Trustee: Scott Showalter  
Police Trustee & Emergency Management: Terry Criss  
Passed.

Moved by: Showalter Seconded by: Criss

Roll Call Vote:

✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter  
✓ Yes No Mr. Criss  
✓ Yes No Mr. Mannion



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- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Mannion

Appointment and Compensation for Zoning Appeals Board Member

6. Motion to extend to next meeting the reappointment/appointment of the current members or new members of the Zoning Commission and the Zoning Appeals Board and set the Zoning stipends. Passed

Moved by:                      Mannion                                      Seconded by:                Criss

- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Mannion
- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Showalter

Appoint Legal Counsel

7. Motion to Appoint Attorney Mark S. Finamore, Turner, May & Shepherd Law Firm as Township Law Director and Special Legal Counsel pursuant to ORC Section 309.09(B) in accordance with the contract for legal services executed between the parties to be paid at the rate of \$175.00 per meeting and \$100 per hour for time spent outside of meeting. Passed.

Moved by:                      Showalter                                      Seconded by:                Criss

- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Showalter
- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Mannion

Mileage Reimbursement Rate

8. Motion to establish 2019 mileage reimbursement rate for authorized travel expenses of township at IRS designated amount of **\$.575** per mile outside of Smith Township. Passed.

Moved by:                      Criss    Seconded by:                Showalter

- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Showalter
- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Mannion

Fiscal Officer

9. Motion to authorize Fiscal Officer approval to transfer money within a fund as deemed necessary, and prepare super blanket certificates for an amount of money not in excess of an amount established by resolution. Passed.

Moved by:                      Mannion                                      Seconded by:                Criss

- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Mannion
- ✓ Yes   No   Mr. Criss

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✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

10. Motion to authorize Fiscal Officer to increase appropriations budgeted for fiscal year 2020 when and where appropriate. Passed.

Moved by: Mannion Seconded by: Criss

✓ Yes No Mr. Mannion  
✓ Yes No Mr. Criss  
✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

Mahoning County Auditor Advances

**Resolution 2020-0107-01** Motion to request from the Mahoning County Auditor the advances for the real estate settlement & personal property taxes for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> half of collection year 2020. Passed.

Moved by: Mannion Seconded by: Criss

✓ Yes No Mr. Mannion  
✓ Yes No Mr. Criss  
✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

Township Road Mileage Certification

11. Motion to approve the 2020 Annual ODOT Mileage Certificate as

Moved by: Mannion Seconded by: Criss

✓ Yes No Mr. Mannion  
✓ Yes No Mr. Criss  
✓ Yes No Mr. Showalter

\*\* End of Reorganization Meeting \*\*

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FIRST REGULAR MEETING OF THE SMITH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FOLLOWING THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Adopt Agenda

1. Motion to adopt monthly meeting agenda.

Moved by:                Showalter                                Seconded by:                Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Showalter
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Mannion

Approve Monthly Minutes

2. Motion to approve to approve the December 2, 2019 Minutes.

Moved by:                Criss    Seconded by:                Showalter

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Showalter
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Mannion

Citizens' Comments

1 citizen present – No Comments

Approve Financial Reports

3. Motion to approve the Financial Report, and EFTs and Warrants #29949 through #29975 in the amount of \$51,554.67.

Moved by:                Showalter    Seconded by:                Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Showalter
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Mannion

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**Resolution 2020-0107-02 Approve 2020 Budget and Appropriations**

Approve 2020 temporary budget and appropriations. Starting balance is \$469,867.65, anticipated income is \$891,600.14 and budgeted appropriations are \$977,062.40. Projected ending balance is \$384,405.39.

Moved by:                     Showalter   Seconded by:                     Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Showalter
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Mannion

Police Report

Chief Paul Ceresna reported statistics for the month of December 2019 and year end totals of:

- 79 and 1,128 Incident Reports
- 13 and 99 Accidents
- 108 and 1,265 Citations

He hired Kaela Knotts as records clerk for the police department to replace Markie Peters.

Paul requested to replace all carpet in the Township Hall except the Trustee Meeting Rm. He will be getting quotes for the next meeting.

Road Report

Road Foreman, Zach Wagner, reported that the Road Department:

- Salted 6 times
- Repaired ditches with rip rapp
- Filled potholes on various roads
- Cleaned 3/4 of a mile of ditch line
- Graded Martin and Best Roads
- Road checks to clean-up debris
- Replaced tires on Backhoe

The Road Department used in materials:

- 126.5 gallons of diesel
- 54.1 gallons of gasoline
- 1 ton of HPM
- 31.5 ton of salt/grit
- 32 ton of #57 stone
- 1 ton of #617 stone
- 8 ton of #8 stone

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**Resolution 2020-0107-03** Upon completion his probationary period and obtaining his CDL, Motion to increase the Road Forman, Zach Wagner, wage per hour by \$1. Passed.

Moved by:                      Showalter    Seconded by:                      Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Showalter
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Mannion

Recycling & Zoning Report

Peggy Christy was excused from the meeting. Report read by Scott Showalter.

Zoning reported that:

- No permits applied for or issued in December
- Spoke with Mahoning County Sanitarian about nuisance issues on California Ave.
- Fielded 10 Zoning Classification calls.
- Mailed two Zoning Resolutions, one to an Attorney in Alabama and the other to a realtor in Salem.

Recycling had nothing pertinent to report except that they are accepting live Christmas Trees until January 31. The trees will be used for animal habitat and will also be placed in Berlin Lake. The Mahoning County Recycling Division handles that for us.

Trustee and Fiscal Officer Report

Chairperson, Dave Mannion, requested that the Fiscal Officer gather from Department heads the ending inventory of Twp. Assets in their Department.

4. Motion to accept all reports by Showalter, seconded by Criss, motion passed.

Moved by:                      Showalter    Seconded by:                      Criss

Roll Call Vote:

- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Showalter
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Criss
- ✓ Yes    No    Mr. Mannion

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting is Tuesday, February 4, 2020.