

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MADISON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES' WORKSHOP

Minutes of

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

May 14, 2024, at 6:30 P.M.

Held _____

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Vice-Chairman Gauntner called the May 14, 2024, Trustees' Workshop Meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. and welcomed everyone to the meeting being held in the Trustees' Meeting Room at the Madison Township Administration Building.

Mr. Gauntner called for a roll call: Mr. Gauntner, Mr. Wayman, Chief Hager, Mr. Brown, Ms. Hamercheck and Mr. Pasqualone were in attendance. Mr. Anderson was absent recovering from a medical procedure.

TRUSTEES:

Mr. Gauntner stated the first item on the agenda tonight is a request from the Madison Joint Recreation District for a donation of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) toward the purchase of fireworks for the "The Light Up the Park" event at Madison Township Park. Mr. Gauntner said this subject was discussed at previous meetings. The Board felt a donation would be better than having a beer tent at the event. The Board also received a letter from the three (3) business owners across from the Park opposing the beer tent. Mr. Gauntner stated the donation would be made official at the Regular Meeting later tonight if Mr. Wayman is okay with it. Mr. Wayman said he is okay with the decision which is not at all out of line. Residents look forward to the fireworks every year.

The second issue on the agenda is to discuss the second meeting date in May. The fourth Thursday of May is next Thursday, May 23rd. So that would mean two meetings only one week apart. It was decided to hold the next meeting on May 30th (instead of May 23rd) at noon. A motion will be brought up in the Regular Meeting tonight for this change.

Mr. Gauntner said he would like to talk about a few things during the Regular Meeting tonight that he and Ms. Hamercheck learned at the Lake County Township Association Meeting last Thursday. He will have an update on the Ford Road bridge situation and a comment on property taxes in Lake County.

ADMINISTRATOR:

Tim Brown, Administrator, stated he attended the meeting last Friday, May 10th, of the Local Government Fund (LGF) Ad Hoc Committee. This was a very important meeting because a new distribution formula was accepted. The formula will be presented to the Lake County Tax Commission who will present it to the local elected officials in Lake County. The Tax Commission will hold a meeting on May 16th at the Auburn Career Center at 6:00 P. M. to review the formula. Mr. Brown said every elected official in Lake County will have the opportunity to attend and speak if they so wish. The meeting will end at 10:00 P. M. Mr. Brown said he would attend, as well as Ms. Hamercheck. Mr. Brown said he is content with the formula and will recommend the Board approve it once it passes the review. Mr. Gauntner thanked Mr. Brown for his work on this matter and said Mr. Brown deserves a lot of credit for bringing this issue to the forefront. Mr. Brown said it was worth the time and effort.

Mr. Brown and Mr. Gauntner met with officials from the Lake County Utilities Department on May 1st. There will be an informational meeting on June 5th at 6:00 P. M. at the Lake County U-Lab on Blase-Nemeth Road in Painesville Township to discuss the proposed sanitary sewer project on Route 20 between Green Road and Haines Road. Mr. Brown said it would be a good idea for all the Trustees to be at the meeting, or at least two of the three. Mr. Gauntner said he will be giving a short presentation of the why and how of the project at the meeting.

Regarding the 2024 township road program, Mr. Brown said all the roads have been milled and by tomorrow, all the subbase repairs will be completed. So, the program is moving along on schedule. The roads involved include Avalon Avenue, N. Cumings Boulevard, Beach Drive, Manatee Avenue, Lakeview Avenue, Stirling Road, Falkirk Road, Orkney Road, Dunbar Road, E. Tuttle Park Drive, and Northway Road.

Mr. Brown said the contractor is still waiting for the temperature to stay above 50 degrees consistently, even at night, before starting work on the new Pickleball Courts to be constructed at Veterans Park. The paint has been ordered, and work should start in June. The new siding project at the Service Department Garage has been completed. Mr. Gauntner said the siding looks very nice. It looks like a completely different building. Mr. Gauntner asked if the Township has purchased security camera for the Pickleball Courts. Mr. Brown stated three cameras have been up and running for about six weeks now.

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Mr. Brown stated he talked to Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. (CEC), and the survey work for the Emerson Road culvert replacement is done. CEC is finishing up analyzing the hydraulics studies and will then start the design work.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Hager stated the Police Department has put a new plan in place regarding loose dogs in the community. After meeting with the Lake County Dog Warden, the department will handle loose dogs differently with a better, more consistent plan. If the owner of the loose dog is known, the owner can be cited. If the owner is unknown, the Dog Warden will be notified. If an officer picks up a loose dog, the dog can be dropped off at the Lake County Dog Shelter on Route 20 in Perry.

Chief Hager asked if the Township would add the name of Officer Jacob Derbin of the Euclid Police Department, who was killed recently in the line of duty, to the list of names for a "Moment of Silence" at the Regular Meeting later tonight. Mr. Gauntner said he would do that.

LEGAL:

Solicitor, Mr. Pasqualone, stated he had nothing to report.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT:

Service Department Supervisor, Mr. Cook, said during the Regular Meeting he would be asking for a motion to allow him to apply for a Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Nature Works Grant. The Nature Works Grant would provide up to a 75% reimbursement for the acquisition, development, and rehabilitation of recreational areas. If approved, the funds would be used for benches on the walking trail at Stanton Park and American Disability Act (ADA) tables at Stanton Park. Mr. Gauntner thanked Mr. Cook for replacing the military flags at Veterans Park. Some of the flags were faded and one was tattered.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Ms. Hamercheck, Fiscal Officer, stated she did not have anything.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector, Mr. Ungers, stated he had a few Zoning Commission updates to report to the Board. The Zoning Commission received civil engineering design plans from Dunkin Donuts Corporation for a parcel at 6631 North Ridge Road, which is the vacant lot directly across the street from the former Burger King lot. A representative from Dunkin Donuts is planning to be at the Zoning Commissions June meeting for preliminary discussions.

The Zoning Commission has had preliminary discussions with Trice Chiropractic located at 6227 North Ridge Road, directly across the street from the Burns Road intersection. Trice Chiropractic is preparing a Site Plan for submission to the Board. Mr. Gauntner said Trice Chiropractic wants to expand his current building. It is very difficult getting out of their parking lot on Route 20, at certain times of the day.

Mr. Ungers said last night the Zoning Commission held a Public Hearing for James Place Properties, LLC located on Route 20 who is requesting to rezone two contiguous parcels, one to the east and one to the west of their manufactured home park from B-2, Regional Business, as they are presently zoned, to MH, Manufactured Home Park. The rezoning would be in preparation for future development plans in years to come. Mr. Ungers said he will present the Zoning Commissions recommendation at the next Trustees' Meeting when Trustee Anderson is present, and the Board can schedule a Public Hearing from there.

Mr. Ungers gave a quick Board of Zoning Appeals summary. The Board of Zoning Appeals has heard five (5) Variance Requests in the first quarter of 2024. They approved four (4) of the requests and denied one (1).

Mr. Ungers stated the Comprehensive Zoning Plan Committee has been meeting monthly to hear from local officials and private developers to get an understanding of which direction the demographics, regulations, and finances are headed for eastern Lake County and Madison Township specifically. The committee has created a survey that has been shared in two different marketing waves and the committee has received approximately five hundred (500) complete submissions. The committee expects to conduct a few more marketing waves this month, advertising through the school district, the library, and local businesses by posting, supplying and advertising the QR Code that links you to the online survey. The results will be made available at the June meeting, and public opinion will be discussed. Mr. Gauntner said the Comprehensive

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Plan update is long overdue. He would like to see more responses from the community, at least 800 or more, to get a better overall view of the community and future development. Mr. Gauntner asked if the revised Comprehensive Zoning Plan will be completed by the end of the year. Mr. Ungers said no, the plan will take longer to complete.

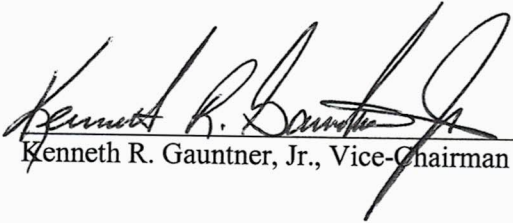
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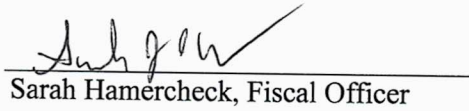
Nothing

Mr. Gauntner requested a motion to adjourn the meeting, as there was no further business.

Mr. Wayman presented a motion to adjourn the Meeting, seconded by Mr. Gauntner. Roll Call: Mr. Wayman: Yes Mr. Gauntner: Yes

Vice-Chairman Gauntner adjourned the Trustees' Workshop Meeting at 6:49 P.M.


Kenneth R. Gauntner, Jr., Vice-Chairman


Sarah Hamercheck, Fiscal Officer