

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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Minutes of Regular

Meeting

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Held February 21, 2022 at the Whitewater Township Community Center 20

The Board of Whitewater Township Trustees met in regular session on February 21, 2022. Board President, Mr. Guy Schaible called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**Pledge to the Flag**

**Roll Call** - Mr. King, yea; Mr. Pope, yea; Mr. Schaible, yea.

**Regular Meeting Agenda:**

Mr. Pope made a motion to approve the Minutes of the January 17, 2022 Regular Trustee Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Motion seconded by Mr. King,

**Roll Call Vote - All Aye.**

**Acceptance of Invoices**

Mr. King made a motion to accept the invoices as presented.

Motion seconded by Mr. Pope,

**Roll Call Vote - All Aye.**

**Sheriff's Report**

Sgt. Mai provided the incident reports for the month of January 2022.

**Public Presentations and Public That Requested to Be on The Agenda**

**Ms. Diane Bachman – Miamitown Improvement and Civic Association.**

Ms. Bachman explained that their association was co-sponsoring the “Miamitown Pet Palooza” with the SPCA on June 25 and 26, 2022. She discussed the event and requested permission to close Ferry Street and perhaps another area for the event. She said she had the approval of local businesses. The Board agreed to the closings. Ms. Bachman said she would update the Board on the areas as they received Vendor requests.

**Township Department Reports:**

**Fire Report:**

**Chief Scott Schorsch reported the following run totals for the month of January, 2022:**

EMS- 98, Fire – 30.

**Staffing:** Month of January: Station Closures: 0 (12-hour shifts) Paramedic Staffing: 100%

1 Paramedic: 21%, 2 Paramedics: 45%, >2 Paramedics: 34%, 12 hour shifts without a

Whitewater Township Paramedic: 0

\*We are continuing to utilize WestIAD with supplemental medic coverage as needed.

The Chief Reported on the following topics:

**Applicants:** He stated there are currently two part time applicants waiting on pre-employment physical results.

**Hooven Station Remodeling Project:** The Chief reported that the project is moving along.

All of the new office walls have been studied. HVAC work is close to being complete. The main bathroom has been demoed and should be completed by end of this week. Drywall hanging should start this week. The projected completion date is looking to be around the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of April. He also noted that A leak in the cupola was discovered allowing water to get into the attic space. Repair plans are being made to repair it.

**Miamitown Station Bay Lighting** – The Chief provided estimates for the Miamitown Station bay lighting upgrade/retrofit to LED Lighting – he recommends – T.J. Williams Electric Company, whose total estimate was \$3650

**Fire Handline Nozzles** – The Chief said he would like to request \$11,000 to replace old/outdated fire handline nozzles and related equipment.

**Fire Inspector Approval** – The Chief stated we recently we had two fulltime members complete the Fire Safety Inspector program and achieve their certification. At this time, he is requesting the Board approve FF/Paramedic Jacob Miller and Lt. Troy Swearingen be approved to perform Fire Safety Inspections within the Township.

**Public Works Department:**

Mr. McCreary was not in attendance. Mr. Schaible provided his report.

**Spring cleanup:** Mr. McCreary asked the Board to confirm the Spring Clean Up date, saying he would like to start getting things ready for our annual Spring Cleanup. The date discussed previously was April 30<sup>th</sup> from 9am till 3pm or when full. He will be getting the dumpsters ordered along with the tire containers and a scrap container. All rules will remain the same, all mattresses, couch, and chairs must be wrapped in plastic and we will not except any paint, or oil. He noted that we will only get two tire dumpsters this year from Keep Cincinnati Beautiful this year.

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**Rouse Brothers:** Mr. McCreary has included the estimate for the 2022 grass cutting season from Craig Rouse. He stated there will be no increases the costs, all prices will remain the same as last year. Mr. McCreary recommended we continue using Rouse Brothers for the 2022 mowing season.

**DWA – Walking Trail:** DWA has started the work along the walking trail. There will be three work-out stations installed.

**US 50 and Lawrenceburg Rd, Street Light:** Mr. McCreary said he has investigated the lighting issue at the intersection of US-50 and Lawrenceburg Road. He reported that ODOT responded that they will not erect a pole for a street light in this area, ODOT suggest he talk to Duke about placing a light on their poles in the intersection. His report said Township Administrator, Ms. Peggy Westerfeld, had sent the board an E-Mail with all the information from Duke on the cost of erecting a street light in this intersection. He said he is looking to the Board for the direction he should move forward. The Board discussed the intersection and asked Ms. Westerfeld to work with Mr. McCreary to see if Hamilton County could work with ODOT and Duke to provide additional lighting at the intersection since it is a County Rd. intersecting a St. Rt.

**Community Center:**

Mr. King provided the Report for the Community Center.

**Attendance:** 1-10-2022 to 2-10-2022 was: Euchre during the week days – 115, Euchre Friday night – 35, Chair Volleyball – 22, Bluegrass - 91, Miamitown Seniors – 0, Country Music – 43, Total - 284

**Rentals:** February - Shelter-Closed, Center-2. March - Shelter-Closed, Center-0.

**Committee Reports:**

**Sewer- Water District**

Mr. Brett reported that the Water / Sewer Board expected an update on the Contract with Hamilton County and MSD at the meeting. The meeting is scheduled for tomorrow night, February 22, 2022 here at the Community Center.

**Economic Development**

Mr. King stated he had nothing new to report at this time.

**We Thrive**

Mr. Pope reported the Committee met on February 14, 2022. Township Cleanup day was the main topic of discussion. He said the Miamitown Improvement and Civic Association was working with them to provide personal in Miamitown. That will allow a dumpster to be placed in Miamitown for residents.

**Solid Waste**

Mr. Schaible said he would be accompanying members of our Fire Department on a tour of the Bond Rd. Landfill with representatives from Rumpke. They are planning to tour the facility within the next week, weather permitting. He said the purpose of the tour was to allow better pre-planning for any incidents that may arise in the future.

**WestJAD**

Mr. Pope said there was nothing new to report. He thanked the WestJAD personal for their response when his mother had a medical emergency.

**Old Business:**

**Mr. Don Lynch:** Mr. Schaible said he had been contacted by Mr. Lynch who requested the Board reconsider allowing him to attend events at the Community Center. The Board discussed the situation and agreed to table the discussion indefinitely.

**US 50 and Lawrenceburg Rd, Street Light:** The Board did not address this item further than the discussion during the Department Reports.

**Clean-Up Day:**

**Mr. Schaible** moved to set the date for the Clean-up Day as April 30, 2022

**Mr. Pope** seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote - All Aye**

**New Business:**

**Miamitown Station Bay Lighting:**

Mr. King moved to approve the proposal from T.J. Williams Electric Company in the amount of \$3650.00

Mr. Schaible seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote - All Aye**

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Fire Handline Nozzles:

Mr. Pope moved to approve the proposal from Vogelwohl Fire Equipment Company in an amount not to exceed \$11,000.00.

Mr. King seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote - All Aye

Fire Inspector Approval:

Mr. Schaible moved to approve FF/Paramedic Jacob Miller and Lt. Troy Swearingen be to perform Fire Safety Inspections within the Township.

Mr. King seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote - All Aye

Rouse Brothers Lawn Care Contract:

Mr. King moved to accept the proposal from Rouse Brothers for lawn care at the same rate as the previous year.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote - All Aye

Street Closures in Miamitown June 25 & 26, 2022.

Mr. Schaible moved to allow the street closures as necessary for the Miamitown Pet Palooza.

Mr. Pope seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote - All Aye

Public Comments:

Mr. King discussed the Issues Mr. George Getz had brought before the Board at past meetings. The Board will continue to work with the County Sheriff on the Hooven Ave. Nuisance Issues.

Comments from the Board:

None

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the board

Mr. King moved to adjourn.

Mr. Schaible seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote - All Aye

Trustees

Fiscal Officer