

LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MINUTES

The trustees met in regular session on January 3, 2022, at 7:15 pm at the Leroy Township Hall.

Present were: Chairman, Heather Shelton, Rich VanPelt, Jason Rodgers and Julie Himmelman, Fiscal Officer.

Guests: Judge Paul Malchesky; Attorney Ron Graham; Fire Chief Mike Toman; Zoning Inspector, Noell Sivertsen; and Assistant to the Fiscal Officer, Sharon Rodgers.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sharon opened the meeting for the Fiscal Officer, as she had a family emergency.

Heather Shelton and Jason Rodgers were sworn in by Judge Malchesky.

As the department heads have prepared reports, this meeting will serve as the organizational meeting and the regular session for January. The next meeting will be February 2, 2022. The trustee meetings will be the first Wednesday of every month.

Rich nominated Heather as Chairman for the next two years, Jason seconded. Poll of the vote: Heather, aye. Rich, aye. Jason, aye.

Organizational Items (Resolution 22-01) was read and each appointment was voted upon separately within the resolution as a whole.

Heather made a motion to pay all bills, seconded by Rich. All were in favor.

Zoning: Noell gave her report.

There were 3 new dwelling permits issued (Callow, Mildon, and Proctor) since the last meeting and 12 for the year. The easement variance for a lot on Leroy-Thompson was approved by the BZA.

There was a hearing meeting for the Mahr Farm property. He has a new attorney. Noell will meet with the attorney, Mr. Mahr and a sheriff's deputy on the 6th.

A violation letter was issued for the horse barn on Vrooman Road for an auxiliary building with no permit.

The asphalt plant was discussed. The trustees asked Noell to write a letter to the owner stating that the township would like to know when the plant is being used.

Discussion was made regarding a handicap ramp being constructed on Leroy Center Road. When the homeowner submits his variance application the trustees will waive his fee as it is a hardship.

Discussion was made regarding zoning board member, Steve McKee. Heather will contact him regarding whether he will continue on the zoning commission or not.

Laurenty applications were received for the barn, pool and fence. A final notice will be issued for his business.

Fire: Rich read the Fire Department report. The fire chief would like to replace the front pad and the hose tower roof, remodel the kitchen, possible training and raises for the firemen.

Cemetery: The logging continues. The price of columbarium was discussed. The sexton asked about the timing for columbarium faceplate engraving. It is not known and Kotecki stated they were having issues getting the protective material needed to do the engraving. She will contact Kotecki regarding the price. The sexton will contact the landscaping firm we have used if they are going to send a contract for this year and add a potential quote for the school property when acquired. Old headstones that have fallen were discussed.

Roads: Jason will look at Spring Court Road regarding a hole at the end of a drive and meet with homeowners on Jennings regarding culvert pipe and the crossover pipe in front of their houses.

Heather reported on the ODOT grants. There were 4 projects that we applied for, 2 on Callow, 1 on Radcliffe and 1 on Sumner. The Road Supervisor went over the scores with the county engineer's office. The road supervisor needs to decide which project should be moved forward, due to overwhelming requests and limited funds. It was determined that the north end of the south side of Callow, between Girdled Road and Gurney Creek had the best score and should be the one to pursue. Jason will let the supervisor know. The decision will be made by February 28, 2022.

Parks: Heather has started the NOPEC grant fund application for the community grant. These funds are used for our Movie Night and other community functions.

Old Business: Heather will contact John Rogers at the Land Bank on the status of the school.

ARPA funds and the potential uses were discussed. Heather and Jason will look into the potential sources for information regarding the usage at the Ohio Township Association convention.

New Business:

The temporary budget was presented by the fiscal officer. Discussions were made, and adjusted as agreed upon. Heather made a motion to approve the temporary budget as adjusted. Rich seconded. Poll of the vote: Rich, aye. Heather, aye. Jason, no.

Heather made a motion to close the meeting. Rich seconded and all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Himmelman, Fiscal Officer

Heather Shelton, Chairman