

**Minutes of Regular Trustee Meeting and Public Hearing
Liberty Township, Licking County, Ohio
August 8, 2022**

Opening

- The regular monthly meeting of the Liberty Township trustees was held on Monday, August 8, 2022 in the shop behind the township hall building. Bill Seigel, township trustee chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. He led the Pledge of Allegiance and stated that the meeting is being recorded.
- Roll call was taken with the following answering as present: Bill Siegel, Bill Bogantz and Doug Strait.
- Bill Siegel stated that the minutes for the Regular Meeting on July 11, 2022 are available in the back of the room.
- **Doug Strait made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 11th, 2022, Regular Trustee meeting. Bill Bogantz seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**

Resident/Public Input

- none

Public Hearing

- Bill Bogantz explained that the purpose of the public hearing is to review the changes to the zoning resolution that were recommended by the Zoning Commission. Those changes clarify the plans required for a zoning permit and add changes surrounding group homes. He stated that you must sign in and be sworn in to testify.
- Mr. Wise asked the trustees about allowing group homes specifically in residential and agriculture. Bill Bogantz replied that our zoning resolution has to comply with where the Ohio Revised Code allows group homes.
- Since no one else wished to speak, Bill Bogantz closed the public hearing.

Zoning

- Melodie presented Resolution No. 2022-05 – A Resolution of Trustees of Liberty Township, Licking County, Ohio, Approving Certain Proposed Changes in and Amendments to the Liberty Township Zoning Resolution, and Directing the Fiscal Officer of the Township to Provide to the Licking County Planning Commission a True and Complete Copy of the Text of The Liberty Township Zoning Resolution as Amended to Date Including the Changes and Amendments Approved by this Resolution. This resolution will update the plans required for a zoning permit (Article 2 Section 200, and Article 3 Sections 301 & 302) and add a section addressing Community Based Social Services (Article 2 Section 200, Article 8 Sections 804 & 805, and Article 9 Section 938).

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- **Bill Bogantz made a motion to Approve Resolution No. 2022-05. Doug Strait seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**
- There were 2 permits in July. They totaled \$749.00

2022-P-029 Joseph Fields \$75.00
 4817 Raccoon Run
 pool

2022-P-030 Dava & Tammy Pruden \$674.00
 7117 Nichols Lane
 residence

Old Business

- Bill Siegel had the shop heater fixed.
- Roads – Jeff is working on another round of mowing.
- Bill Siegel will get an estimate from Smalls for repairing/re-enforcing the intersection of Nichols & Windy Hollow, and also Dutch Crossing.
- Bill Bogantz presented the letters he wrote to ask trucking companies to not use township roads with heavy loads if at all possible. The trustees agreed to sign them.
- New township building – Bill Siegel, from his research, thinks we will need about an acre for the a leach field. Bill Bogantz will see if Tom Garrabrant will either sell us some land or give us an easement to let the township put a leach field in his field.
- Bill Siegel gave an update on the Miles Estate. An extension was filed for a hearing, the new date is September 13th
- The trustees agreed to not accept the current estimate for the Zoning Resolution and Comprehensive Plan but will continue to monitor the county wide plan and update our township plans as needed.
- County Wide Comprehensive Plan – The committee is currently in the process of interviewing residents.
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New Business

- Melodie presented Resolution No. 2022-06 Rescinding Resolution No. 2022-04 and Authorizing Expenditure from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds. Legal counsel directed us that we cannot use ARPA funds for the county wide comprehensive plan and

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we needed to rescind that resolution and replace it with another resolution that would allow us to spend the funds as revenue replacement.

- **Bill Bogantz made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-06. Doug Strait seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**
- Melodie informed the trustees that some of the recent expenses could have been paid with ARPA funds if we had a resolution setting funds aside for that purpose. She suggested several options/possibilities.
- The trustees agreed to set aside \$20,000.00 for Township Improvement Projects.
- **Bill Bogantz made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-07 Authorizing Expenditure from American Rescue Plan Acts Funds for \$20,000.00 for Township Improvement Projects. Doug Strait seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**

Monthly Reports

- July credit card charges were read totaling \$793.87
- July Correspondences were read.
- July Payments were read. Payments totaled \$24,774.08
- July Receipts were read. Receipts totaled \$150,402.68

Signing

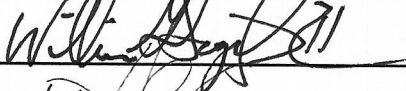


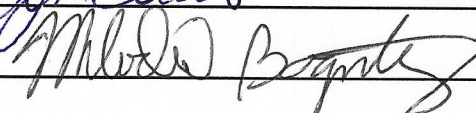
Credit Card Summary, bank reconciliation, minutes, permits, and warrants were signed.

Closing

- The next Regular Trustee Meeting is Monday, September 12, 2022.
- **Bill Bogantz made a motion to adjourn the August 8, 2022 meeting. Doug Strait seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**

Approval

Approval of the minutes for meeting August 8, 2022:

Trustee: 	Date: 9/12/2022
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Fiscal Officer: 	Date: 9/12/2022