

## March 18, 2024 Minutes

Urbach called the March 18, 2024 meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The pledge was recited by everyone present. Upon Role Call the Result was:

URBACH HERE                      LAMBERT HERE

Urbach made the motion to accept the March 4, 2024 work session and regular meeting minutes as the Trustees have read them through email. Seconded by Lambert. All in Favor: YES Urbach made the motion to accept the bills. Lambert seconded the motion. All in Favor: YES The bills are in the amount of \$13,515.86.

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- 1) Andrea Kilgore asked about the electric aggregation and does not want to be in the township's aggregation. Matics stated that she will call her tomorrow and give her the phone number of the agent from Buckeye Energy that handles our aggregation. He can answer any questions she has.
- 2) Dennis Wheeler asked about the guardrail on Brinker. Urbach reported the Stark County Engineers informed Urbach, that area does not warrant a guardrail. Wheeler asked why not. Urbach will get that information from the engineers.
- 3) Kurt and Ben Bravis expressed their displeasure in the consideration of a solar farm possibly going in on Beth. They were informed that the Board of Appeals is handling that. The Trustees have no decision on that. They need to go to a Board of Appeals meeting.
- 4) Glenn Haught stated he would like to see signs in the zoned area stating that area is zoned. Haught asked if there are new zoning books available? Matics stated that is the job of the Zoning Commission Board.

### ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- 1) Strubel ordered about 100 ton of salt that was delivered.
- 2) Strubel checked out the culvert on Student and it appears ok to him. It may be rusted on the bottom but it is not rusted through. You may want to get the County Engineers out there to check it out.
- 3) They have been working at the cemeteries cleaning them up.

### ZONING INSPECTOR REPORT

- 1) Borojevich reported he is almost caught up with the backlog in zoning.
- 2) The Prosecutors have sent out letters to residents.
- 3) Borojevich has received five or six small violations he is working on.
- 4) An excel sheet has been created to keep track of all the zoning application. The Board will receive copies of this.

### URBACH REPORT

- 1) Urbach went to the Health Department's annual meeting. They do have a grant for installation of failing septic systems for our residents. Borojevich asked for a link to that. Urbach stated he will get that to him.
- 2) The Easter Egg Hunt is on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. Urbach thinks it is at 1:00 pm.

### FISCAL OFFICER REPORT

- 1) Matics asked if the Trustees wanted to address the applicants for the open positions on the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Zoning Commission Board. That was tabled until the next meeting.

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- 2) Matics asked if the Trustees wanted to address the resolution from the Stark County Commissioners concerning solar farms over 50 mega kilowatts. That was tabled until the next meeting.
- 3) Matics has postponed the audit until after she has submitted the report for the use of the ARP funds to the Federal Government which is due the end of April. The auditors were ok with that.
- 4) We are not eligible for an AUP audit due to the township being under a special audit from a complaint on zoning. Matics submitted a response back to the special audit on this matter.
- 5) Matics got sworn in by Judge Elum on Thursday.
- 6) Matics gave the Trustees their credit cards and informed them they had to activate them with their own phones and they are to keep possession of these credit cards.
- 7) Matics reminded the Trustees about the Engineers meeting this Thursday at 5:30 at the Plain Township Fire Department.
- 8) Matics stated she received six requests for the road paving contract from the ad in the Bargain Hunter and one in this past Friday from the ad from the Independent.

Urbach stated the next meeting would be Monday, April 1, 2024 at 6:00 pm with a work session at 5:30 pm. Urbach made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Lambert. All in Favor: YES

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

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T. Renee Veselenak - President

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James J. Urbach - Vice President

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Ronald L. Lambert – Trustee

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Jody Matics – Fiscal Officer