

May 15, 2023 Minutes

Dearing called the May 15, 2023 meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The pledge was recited by everyone present. Upon Role Call the Result was:

DEARING HERE

VESELENAK HERE

URBACH HERE

Veselenak made the motion to accept the minutes as they have read them through email. Seconded by Urbach.

All in Favor: YES Veselenak made the motion to pay the bills. Urbach seconded the motion. All in

Favor: YES The bills are in the amount of \$14,059.80.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- 1) Vicki Owen Merry presented what the Volunteer Park Board would like the remaining park grant funds of \$73,718.44 spent on. It is as follows: 5 signs for the park at \$8,850.00, a metal sign at \$3,396.63, replace the roof on the closed pavilion at \$8,750.00, picnic tables, grills, a piece of playground equipment at \$47,195.59 and concrete at the north bridge at \$2,800.00 for a total cost of \$70,992.22. The Bethlehem Township Board previously presented the stream erosion control at \$43,337.50, paving the rest of the park road and parking lot at \$32,350.00, parking lot striping at \$450.00 and the handicap parking sign and post at \$144.06 for the total of \$76,281.56. The total cost of the project is \$147,273.78. That would leave \$2,726.22 as a buffer for anything that would go over the estimate. Owen-Merry stated that Matics had some info. Matics stated that she would like for the Township Board and Village Council to meet to discuss this. Dearing said he thought this looked ok. Urbach stated we needed to move on this. Veselenak suggested that in the future when we go for a grant we need to have our ideas in place before we go for a grant. Everyone agreed. Matics asked about paving the path. Owen-Merry said there is no money for that. Urbach said the path is expensive to do. Matics asked Owen-Merry not to sign any estimates or notify any company that they have been accepted due to this having to be approved by the State before we can make a move on anything. Veselenak asked how this is being paid for as projects are completed. Matics stated that we will get a loan. We went through the Bank of Magnolia for the last grant. There will be a fee and interest which the Village has already agreed to pay half of. The State could possibly give us \$40,000.00 in advance but Matics does not know the time line on that so she would like to get the loan for the full \$150,000.00. Veselenak stated that interest rates are outrageous right now. Matics stated the term of the loan would be for 1 year. Matics also stated that the interest and the fee for the loan would be a 50/50 split with the Village. The Village already passed this with their resolution for us to move forward to apply for the grant. Veselenak stated that Consumers National has very good rates right now.

RESOLUTION 2023-16

Urbach made the motion for the resolution to move forward with the projects for the Park Capital Grant as follows: Upon Role Call the result was: Bethlehem Township Board previously presented the stream erosion control at \$43,337.50, paving the rest of the park road and parking lot at \$32,350.00, parking lot striping at \$450.00 and the handicap parking sign and post at \$144.06 for the total of \$76,281.56. The Volunteer Park Board would like the remaining park grant funds of \$73,718.44 spent on. It is as follows: 5 signs for the park at \$8,850.00, a metal sign at \$3,396.63, replace the roof on the closed pavilion at \$8,750.00, picnic tables, grills, a piece of playground equipment at \$47,195.59 and concrete at the north bridge at \$2,800.00 for a total cost of \$70,992.22. Dearing added the stipulation that we agree as long as the Navarre Village Council agrees. Dearing seconded the motion. Upon Role Call the Result was:

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DEARING YES

VESELENAK YES

URBACH YES

- 2) Glenn Haught asked if there was going to be a ditch installed from Fohl Road down the park road? Dearing responded there was a culvert put in across the park road last year to divert the water from going down the park road.
- 3) Haught also asked what kind of roof was going to be installed on the closed pavilion. Matics responded, a metal roof.
- 4) Owen-Merry asked how do we supply the Ball Association with trash bags for at the ballfields. Matics stated that there are 4 boxes of trash bags at the park. Matics can drop a box off at Owen-Merrys' house. Owen-Merry stated that was good and then she can get them to the Ball Association.
- 5) Owen-Merry brought up about the 3 bleachers that are at the Navarre football field that belong to the Navarre Bethlehem Township Community Park. They were donated by the Flower Foundation for the park. She stated she has been trying for years to get them back down to the park. She is going to address this to the Village tonight when she goes in.
- 6) Owen-Merry asked if there could be a new fire extinguisher mounted in the closed pavilion. The one that is there is very old and is sitting on the floor.
- 7) Haught asked if the road could be widened on Lakehill at the curve. He thinks it narrows to 8' on the curve. There is a tree in a residents' yard that is in the Township ROW and a tree growing at the culvert. Dearing asked Strubel if he has spoken to the resident there. Strubel responded he has stopped a couple times but has not caught anyone home to speak with them. Dearing suggested Strubel take the tree out due to it being in our ROW and if the resident has a problem the resident needs to contact Dearing.

ZONING REPORT

- 1) Cochran reported the Appeals meeting for May 10th was cancelled. It will be rescheduled.
- 2) Cochran is still gathering paperwork for the wedding venue to turn in.
- 3) Cochran has received 3 calls for solar installations. One is on Sherman Church on around 200 acres. Cochran asked if Matics would put the Solar application on our website. Matics said she received an email from a gentleman with that application attached as a PDF. Dearing informed Cochran to always save documents to a PDF and email it to Matics if he wants on the website.
- 4) Cochran has a new home build.
- 5) Cochran stated a gentleman on Florence purchased a property and wants to build a building to store his asphalt equipment. Cochran informed him he would need to build a home on that property in order to build a building. He would need permits to construct anything on that property.
- 6) Veselenak stated she received a couple emails from residents on Brinker asking where things were with the wedding venue. Veselenak asked if Cochran submitted information to the Prosecutors yet. Cochran stated he has a packet ready and he has to send it. It will take the Prosecutors a while to get back to Cochran than.
- 7) Cochran asked Matics for a box of file folders. Matics will get that to Cochran. Matics asked Cochran if he submitted the paperwork for the Springwood Lake side lots. Cochran responded, yes.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- 1) Strubel reported they are done ditching. The mower head had a broken bracket at both ends. They put a new bracket on and the mower head is back on.
- 2) Strubel got filters and oil for the road mower and installed them.

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- 3) Strubel heard from Art at 20/20. The cost for chip and seal of Hensel will be \$21,387.37, for Gooding \$8,318.73 and for Biery \$8,318.73. The cost of the gravel will be \$14,163.95.
- 4) Strubel received chip and seal costs from 20/20. Hensel at \$21,387.37, Gooding at \$18,923.54 and Biery at \$8,318.73. The limestone #8's will cost \$14,163.95. Matics asked if we were still considering doing Biery due to the residents trying to repair that road and then making the road worse for our road department to take care of it. Dearing stated we will chip and seal it this year and if the residents continue botch it up, we will contact the Prosecutor for the resident to pay for the repairs that we have to do. Veselenak asked if that trucking is no longer there. Strubel stated that there is a dump back there that they are still using. Dearing asked if they are still using the west entrance. Strubel responded yes and that the County uses that dump also. Cochran stated they do have a permit. It is EPA approved for certified material. Dearing said then it is up to the EPA to regulating that. Strubel stated that was initiated back when Isler owned it. Dearing wants to see the verbiage on having that road designated. Veselenak stated she will look. Urbach stated that if they are taking full loads in there, that's a lot of weight. Strubel stated correct and the road will not hold up. It was suggested that road be turned back over to the residents if they tear up the chip and seal this year. Dearing said he will check into that.
- 5) Veselenak asked Strubel when the Township quit installing culverts at driveways? Veselenak said she would like to inform the residents correctly. Urbach stated that is in the O.R.C. and he will email that to Veselenak.
- 6) Strubel reported that the air conditioner or the meeting room is not working. Urbach said he will call the company concerning this. Urbach stated that it should still be under warranty.
- 7) Strubel reported that Monty Provost gave a photo to the Township from 1962 of the stone at the Christian Fredrick Post that was the first white man in our Township 1747.

URBACH REPORT

- 1) Dave Scott cleaned up the trash on Riverland.

VESELENAK REPORT

- 1) Veselenak is working with OTARMA with the handbook. She feels this is a legal document and she needs to work with the OTARMA legal department
- 2) Veselenak asked where we were on moving money to the Star Ohio cash account. Matics informed the Trustees that there are no fees from Star Ohio to move funds. The Huntington Bank fee would be \$18.00 per online transaction. If you go into Huntington, the fee would be higher. Matics stated she would have to watch the Huntington Bank account closely to make sure funds don't get too low. Our second half property tax funds probably will not come in until October. There was some discussion on how much to transfer to Star Ohio.

RESOLUTION #2023-17

Dearing made the motion for the resolution for Matics to transfer \$100,000.00 from our Huntington Bank Checking account to our Star Ohio Cash account. Veselenak seconded the motion. Upon Role Call the Result was:

DEARING YES

VESELENAK YES

URBACH YES

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DEARING REPORT

- 1) Dearing passed out 2 sealed quotes to Veselenak and Urbach for the 2 culvert replacements. Veselenak read Dirty Hands quote for \$18,692.00. Urbach read William Glicks' quote for \$17,800.00. Matics stated that the culvert pipe bill from Marlboro is \$2,121.96 for the 2 culvert replacements. Dearing said he is still waiting for a cost of the headwalls for the culvert on Crestline. He may have to check with

RESOLUTION #2023-18

Dearing made the motion for the resolution to approve William Glicks' quote to replace the culverts on Lakehill and Crestline at a cost of \$17,800.00 and to include the culvert pipe cost from Marlboro of \$2,121.96 for a total cost of \$19,921.96 to be paid for with the ARP funds. Veselenak seconded the motion. Upon Role Call the Result was:

DEARING YES

VESELENAK YES

URBACH YES

- 2) Dearing spoke with Jeff from Miller Pipeline. Dominion subcontracted moving their line out on Beth Avenue to Miller Pipeline. This is a Stark County Engineers project. Dearing measured the area at 166' in length by 8' wide and marked off the limits. Dearing received an email from Jeff stating that Northstar was going to do the pavement repair of Beth Avenue that Miller Pipeline tore up while moving that line. Northstar is billing Miller Pipeline. Dearing spoke with Scott Bassinger at the Engineers office and their culvert replacement on Beth Avenue is scheduled for sometime in June which is about the time when Northstar is going to do that repair. Dearing spoke with Dave Parcher from Northstar and informed Parcher that the repair on Beth Avenue needs to be done either before or after the County's culvert replacement is done. Dearing will keep in contact with Parcher.
- 3) Dearing also spoke with Bassinger concerning the scour on the northeast side of the bridge on Brinker. The County is responsible for any bridge over 6' Dearing thought. He is aware and will put on the schedule and will try to bump up the repair.
- 4) Dearing spoke with Dan Houck today at the Engineer's department. Houck is going to install a lid on the monument box on Riverland. That is not a pot hole. Houck is going to go around and replace lids missing on any monument boxes tomorrow.
- 5) Dearing has not heard anything from Migchelbrink, Inc on the cost of the headwall for Crestline. If Dearing doesn't hear anything in the next couple days, he will check with Lindsey or another company. This headwall will be extended 2' on the left end due to it coming in at a 90° angle and Dearing does not want it to wash out behind the headwall.
- 6) Dearing reported that the crack sealing took more material than anticipated. The previously adjusted quote was \$7,000.00. Dearing would like to increase the cost of crack sealing to \$10,000.00. Dearing stated that if there is any sealant left over they could crack seal Mose.

RESOLUTION #2023-19

Dearing made the motion for the resolution to pay for the cost of crack sealing from Tuscoat with the ARP funds at a cost of \$10,000.00. Veselenak seconded the motion. Upon Role Call the Result was:

DEARING YES

VESELENAK YES

URBACH YES

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FISCAL OFFICER REPORT

- 1) Energy Harbor has submitted twice to Ohio Edison for our Streetlighting Aggregation contract that we signed back in November of 2022 and they keep denying them. Art Deininger from Buckeye Energy who is our representative for our electric aggregations, contacted me to speak with Ohio Edison. I emailed Ohio Edison the copy of the letter from Ohio Edison opening up streetlighting to aggregation our signed contract with Energy Harbor and asked why this was not happening. Hopkins from First Energy which Ohio Edison is a subdivision of and stated that it was handled and we are in an electric aggregation for our streetlighting with Energy Harbor.
- 2) The Canton Chamber of Commerce mailed the Township for a proxy ballot for chairs on our Health Fund Board. Do you want to choose or do you want board to choose for you? The Trustees agreed to let the Health Fund Board choose. Matics will email that in.
- 3) Matics received an email from SCRCP asking if the Township would continue to be involved in the CDBG for the term of 01/01/2024 thru 12/31/2026. The Trustees agreed yes. Matics will email that in.
- 4) Matics stated that we will have a total of \$28,374.33 left in the ARP fund after paying for the crack sealing and culvert replacements. Matics asked if the Trustees would want to pay the road department employees a compensation bonus check for them working through the COVID pandemic? Matics checked with Pike Township and they paid their employees \$1,000.00 each.

RESOLUTION #2023-20

Dearing made the motion for the resolution to pay our two (2) road department employees a bonus of \$1,500.00 each for working through the COVID pandemic from our ARP fund. Veselenak seconded the motion. Upon Roll Call the Result was:

DEARING YES

VESELENAK YES

URBACH YES

- 5) Emails received: SCRCP new meeting notice, SCTA meeting notice, Stark County Prosecutors Townhall meeting notice, SCRCP agenda and minutes, SCTA overdose awareness day and various \OTA legislative alerts.
- 6) Mail received: OTA asking us to go with Sedwick as our MCO which you decided at the last meeting to stay with Aultcomp, Stark County Health Department 2nd quarter information and NBTHS letter.
- 7) Matics replies to a Special Assessment request for 7084 Hudson Dr per Stonegate Title Agency.
- 8) Matics emailed the Zoning Resolution to Darrell Applebee and David Hobba from Black McCuskey.

At 7:22 Urbach made the motion to go into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Veselenak seconded the motion. All in Favor: YES

At 7:38 Dearing made the motion to go into regular session with no decision made. Veselenak seconded the motion. All in Favor: YES

Dearing said the next meeting will be Monday, June 5, 2023 at 6:00 pm. Dearing made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Veselenak. All in Favor: YES

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

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Mark Dearing - President

T. Renee´ Veselenak - Vice President

James J. Urbach – Trustee

Jody Matics – Fiscal Officer