

Regular Meeting of the Goshen Township Trustees

March 14, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm with the pledge to the flag. Trustees John Bricker, Shawn Mesler, and Fiscal Officer Tom Knoedler were present. Mrs. Stratton was called away at the last moment for a personal appointment.

Troy Rhoades from Ohio Edison stopped to report on some projects Ohio Edison will be working on this year, answered a couple questions, and offered his support if needed by the township.

Approve Minutes:

Minutes of February 14th Regular meeting were presented as distributed. Motion by Mesler, seconded by Bricker, to approve these minutes. Both voted YES.

Approve Bills:

Motion by Bricker, seconded by Mesler, to approve payment of:

Payroll	\$ 57,355.98
Warrants	\$ 931.75
Electronic payments	<u>\$ 29,877.66</u>
Total	\$ 88,165.39

Both voted YES.

The February 2022 bank statement is in balance and was reviewed by the Trustees.

Two lots were sold at Bunker Hill New Cemetery. Trustees signed the Certificate of Ownership for lots 81 NW1 & NW2.

Trustees agreed to re-open the Administration Building to the public as the health care concerns have lessened.

Resolution 2022-0314-01 Revised Budget

Fiscal Officer needs to increase income and appropriations
by \$1500 for: NOPEC Community Grant and
by \$646.31 for: American Rescue Plan Act (A.R.P.A.)

So moved by Bricker, seconded by Mesler. Both voted YES.

Road Report:

For February, 2,287 miles were put on trucks, 384 gallons of diesel and 120 gallons of gasoline were used, there were no burials, and six (6) weather event where 87 tons of salt mix was spread.

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The department has been working on Malmsberry Road, fixing the base and adding gravel. Work is not yet done. Matt is asking residents to be patient. They will continue repairing the road as weather permits.

Matt installed cemetery marker/signs to keep people from driving on the cemetery lawn.

Matt asked the trustees to declare the old paper baler as surplus equipment and have it listed for sale. So moved by Mesler, seconded by Bricker. Both voted YES.

Per the foreman's request, Bricker moved, seconded by Mesler, to allow the department to pursue the purchase of a box blade for spreading patching material, up to \$1500. Both voted YES.

Fire Report:

Fire Chief George Vernon submitted a report for February stating there were 11 fire runs and 32 EMS runs - 20 in Goshen and 12 in Butler. The department had 36 training hours. There were no inspections.

Police Report:

For the month of February, for: 12,666 miles driven

Goshen:	260 events
Green:	224 events
Beloit:	94 events

Chief Calko presented a bid from HTS Consulting LLC to purchase software, hardware to backup the department server, and labor to install software on department PC's and hardware in the police wing. HTS will be assuming IT support of the police network, replacing Salem Computer Center. TeamViewer software will allow remote connection by HTS to any of the department PC's, thereby allowing for faster problem resolution and lower support costs. Motion by Mesler, seconded by Bricker, to accept the HTS bid of \$14,109. Both voted YES.

OTARMA is offering a \$1000 grant for police training. John will apply for this grant.

The BWC grant for body cameras has been approved and the department will begin ordering new body cameras.

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Public Comment:

Resident Randy Fast had questions about the Board of Health (BOH) new requirements for inspection and pumping of septic tanks. Trustee Mesler answered his question, made note that this is a STATE septic requirement, not a County or Township requirement. Randy was also told that the county is looking for more inspectors to be hired.

Trustee Mesler:

Shawn and John both attended the annual county engineer's meeting last week. Shawn reported that the county will be replacing culverts on Middletown Road, paving Western Reserve Road from Duck Creek Road west to the township line and into Smith township, and will be replacing culverts on W. South Range Road from SR45 to Duck Creek Road.

Then in 2023, they will pave Diagonal Road from SR165 to Duck Creek Road and will pave Duck Creek Road from Diagonal Road to Calla Road.

However, prices for petroleum products (asphalt and plastic pipes) is increasing dramatically which may affect when these projects will get completed.

Broadband coverage was discussed. Our trustees asked a presenter to come to a Goshen Trustee meeting to discuss our local needs.

Stratton:

excused

Trustee Bricker:

John also reported on the county meeting, noted he had attended a BOH meeting, and talked with the Green Team.

The trash can at Bricker Park is currently in the back area of the park with no trash can by the parking lot area. Matt was asked to move the can to the parking lot area and find another can for the back area of the park. Adding a port-a-john was discussed, but no costs were presented. April Thorne will look into pricing.

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Adjournment:

The next regular meeting will be on Monday, April 4th due to Mr. Bricker being out of town on the 11th.

With no further business to conduct, Bricker moved, seconded by Mesler, to adjourn at 7:38pm. Both voted YES.

EXCUSED

John Bricker, Chairman

Teresa Stratton, Vice Chairperson

Shawn Mesler, Trustee

Thomas Knoedler, Fiscal Officer