

Regular Meeting of the Goshen Township Trustees

February 8, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm with the pledge to the flag. Trustees Teresa Stratton, John Bricker, Shawn Mesler, and Fiscal Officer Tom Knoedler were present.

Approve Minutes:

Motion by Stratton, seconded by Mesler, to approve the Year End 2020 minutes of January 6th as distributed. All voted YES

Motion by Mesler, seconded by Stratton, to approve the 2021 Reorganizational minutes of January 6th as distributed. All voted YES

Approve Bills:

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

Payroll	\$ 93,905.33
Warrants	\$ 2,425.46
Electronic payments	<u>\$ 48,212.16</u>
Total	\$ 144,542.95

All voted YES.

The January bank statement is in balance.

The December and January credit card statements were reviewed by Trustees Stratton and Mesler.

Resolution 2021-0208 OPWC Road Bid – authorizing the Fiscal Officer to advertise for bids for the Smith-Goshen Road project. So moved by Stratton, seconded by Mesler. All voted YES.

Resolution 2021-0208b NOPEC NEC Grant – authorizing the Trustees of Goshen Township to apply for the 2021 NOPEC Energized Community Grant. So moved by Bricker, seconded by Stratton. All voted YES.

Resolution 2021-0208c Participate in Fire Insurance Proceeds resulting from certain fire losses within Goshen Township, Mahoning County, Ohio in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3929.86. So moved by Mesler, seconded by Bricker. All voted YES.

Road Report:

Tom reported for Matt Springer reported that there were 2405 miles put on vehicles in January, 279 gallons of diesel and 81 gallons of gasoline were used, and there were two burials.

There were five weather events. They used 24 tons of salt and 18 tons of grit. Matt and Randy applied two tons of cold patch to roads.

Fire Report:

Chief Derek Day reported that in January there were 11 fire runs and 52 EMS runs – 46 in Goshen and 6 in Butler. There was one inspection.

Recycling:

Paul has applied for a scrap and tire grant. There were 120 lbs. of Christmas trees recycled.

Police Report:

Steve reported that for 2020 there were 90,424 miles put on vehicles and the department handled 5,475 events. Activity, mileage, and tickets written were down for the year due to COVID-19 limitations and restrictions. He also turned in the 2020 semi-annual bias-based policing report year-end administrative review.

In January 2021 there were 7617 miles put on vehicles and police handled 583 events.

Steve also warned the community about identity theft scams, such as unemployment or social security benefits or small business loans, and encouraged anyone affected to report any to their local police departments.

The department generated \$1200 in proceeds from the NO SHAVE programs. The money will be donated to the family of Ross Hallman of Homeworth, who is battling a rare form of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Public Comment:

none

Trustee Mesler:

Towing contracts have been approved for 2021 with Wertz, Canfield, Springers, and American. These contracts are for violations in which a vehicle is seized. Crash victims have their own choice of tow company. So moved by Stratton, seconded by Bricker. All voted YES.

Armstrong cable is announcing that pricing for video products will be increasing in February. Internet and telephone costs will not change. This is due to skyrocketing costs that they have to pay for video programming.

Mesler moved, seconded by Bricker, to sign the 2021 Township Highway System Mileage Certification with the County Engineer at 19.525 miles. All voted YES.

Trustee Bricker:

John discussed bids received for a new flair mower for ditch mowing. Due to the wide difference in costs, the mower proposal was tabled until more can be learned about each unit.

Trustee Stratton:

NOPEC Energized Community grant of \$5,933 which has been approved for 2021.

Teresa welcomed new business Family Dollar which opened last month.

Teresa will further pursued resolving the ComDoc contract/equipment issue.

Adjournment:

The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 7:00pm.

With no further business to conduct, Mrs. Stratton moved, seconded by Mr. Mesler, to adjourn at 8:15pm. All voted YES.

Teresa Stratton, Chairman

John Bricker, Vice Chairman

Shawn Mesler, Trustee

Thomas Knoedler, Fiscal Officer