

Regular Meeting of the Goshen Township Trustees September 13, 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 Bricker, to approve the minutes of August 9th as distributed. All voted YES.

Payment of Bills:

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

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| Payroll | \$ 65,767.85 | |
| Warrants | \$ 23,541.64 | |
| Electronic payments | \$ 74,858.91 | |
| Total | \$ 164,168.40 | All voted YES. |

The August bank statement is in balance.

The August credit card statements were reviewed by Trustee Stratton.

Resolution 2021-0913a – Motion by Mesler, seconded by Bricker, to order a credit card for newly elected Police Chief John Calko, and the cancellation of the credit card in the name of former Chief McDaniel. All voted YES.

Resolution 2021-0913b – Motion by Stratton, seconded by Mesler, to enter into a two year lease on the Road Departments new Ford F550, plow, and dump bed. All voted YES.

Resolution 2021-0913c - Notifying the county auditor's office that the A.R.P. funds originally reported need to be reported under a different Fund number (2273). This requirement from the Auditor of State was not learned of until after the A.R.P. funds were deposited under the Cares Act Funds (2272). So moved by Stratton, seconded by Bricker. All voted YES.

Resolution 2021-0913d - Accept the Lighting Assessment provided by the Mahoning County Auditor's office. So moved by Bricker, seconded by Stratton. All voted YES.

The three CD's due to mature at Farmer's Bank was discussed. One-year CD will pay only .20%, the sweep account is paying .12%, a 6 month CD will pay only .15%. Motion by Mesler, seconded by Stratton, to move the closing CD's to the sweep account, then watch for any rate increases in future months. If we purchase a CD, then need to cash it in, there would be a penalty.

Road Report:

Matt Springer reported that 1459 miles were put on vehicles in August, 169 gallons of diesel and 28 gallons of gasoline were used, and there was one burial.

They hauled 78 tons of 448 hot mix, 45 tons of limestone, did one culvert installation and poured one headstone footer.

Motion by Stratton, seconded by Bricker, to declare the 2008 Dodge truck as surplus. All voted YES.

The cost of the new 2021 Ford F550 truck will increase \$90 due to modifications that need to be made on the tarp roller.

There will be a retirement luncheon for retiring road worker Randy Smith on Thursday, Sept. 30th.

Mr. Mesler introduced Adam Corll and recommended him to be hired as the department's new full-time employee, effective 09/27/2021, at \$18.00/hr. He will be replacing Randy Smith. So moved by Mesler, seconded by Stratton. All voted YES.

Fire Report:

Mesler reported for Chief Derek Day that in August there were 101 runs - 37 fire runs and 64 EMS runs – 55 in Goshen and 9 in Butler. There were no inspections.

The department got an AFG grant for new radios with a joint application for almost one million dollars.

Recycling:

The annual Scrap Tire Drive / Electronics Drive / Customer Appreciation Drive will be held on Saturday September 25th at the township garage.

Police Report:

In August 2021 the Police District:

- in Goshen Twp., handled 307 events and put 7,140 miles on vehicles
- in Green Twp., handled 461 events and put 7,741 miles on vehicles
- in Beloit, handled 155 events

Chief Calko introduced Hollie Rae Frantz and asked that she be hired as a part-time officer effective 09/13/2021 at \$14.25/hr. So moved by Stratton, seconded by Mesler. All voted YES. Hollie was then sworn in by Mr. Mesler.

Mr. Calko also moved to promote Sgt. Matt Beck to Lieutenant/Assistant Police Chief, effective 09/13/2021, at \$21.80/hr. So moved by Bricker, seconded by Mesler. All voted YES.

John also asked to have the following changes made to the police policy manual:

- 153 Discipline put specific wording into the manual that was missing
- Comp Time put a maximum limit of 80 hours accumulated comp time, anything over 80 hours get paid as overtime, by the end of 2021 any hours over the 80 hour limit will be paid out as overtime pay.

Moved by Mesler, seconded by Bricker, to make these changes. All voted YES.

Public Comment:

Resident Mariam Good asked about the status of the rental of the old administration building by the Schoolhouse Stitchers. Mr. Bricker had discussed with her in the springtime about maintenance costs for that structure and possible roof issues. Trustees will continue to monitor the status of the building.

Resident Larry Zielke asked about having the speed limit north of the elementary school changed to 35mph. Currently, one side of the road is 35mph and the other side is 45mph. Traffic frequently exceeds the 45mph on both sides. Trustees will talk to ODOT about a traffic study and possible speed limit changes.

Trustee Mesler

West Branch Board has signed the two-year contract for the School Resource Officer (SRO). Goshen is awaiting signatures and paperwork returned.

Trustee Bricker:

John reported that the Calla Road resurfacing project is finished. The Smith-Goshen ditching/resurfacing project is finished, but he has concerns about bad contractor work. One lawn area was left in very poor condition. Damascus streets have been patched and Danbury Drive is to be chip sealed next week.

Stratton:

The State of Ohio has made available \$150 million for the demolition of vacant and abandoned commercial and residential sites by county land banks, and \$350 million for brownfields remediation and redevelopment.

Teresa has submitted three properties to the county for demolition work:

Petrucci's restaurant

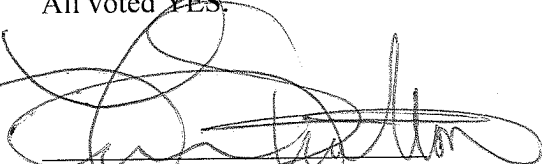
Pidgeon house on Stratton Rd at Calla Rd.

House on French St. at Second Street in Damascus

Adjournment:

Due to County Engineer Pat Ginnetti presented the need for voter approval of the ¼% sales tax which will be on the November ballot, the next meeting will be held on Monday, October 18, 2021 at 7:00pm instead of October 11th.

With no further business to conduct, Mesler moved, seconded by Bricker, to adjourn at 7:56pm.
All voted YES.



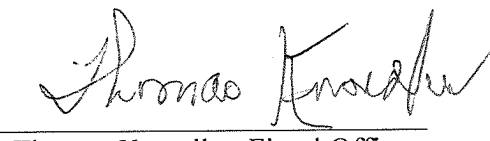
Teresa Stratton, Chairman



John Bricker, Vice Chairman



Shawn Mesler, Trustee



Thomas Knoedler, Fiscal Officer