# MINUTES CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR SESSION

February 10, 2021

The Concord Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 10, 2021. Trustee Don Pence called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees Neil Rhoades, and Tom Mercer were present by teleconference. Fiscal Officer Bill Whidden was also present. It should be noted that teleconferencing for Public Meetings was recently extended due to the ongoing Covid pandemic.

Minutes: Tom Mercer made a motion to approve the Minutes of January 13, 2021 and was seconded by Neil Rhoades.

<u>Guests:</u> Mr. Kevin Harlan, President of the Upper Valley Medical Center attended the meeting and gave a number of updates. The Covid 19 population has been steadily dipping in recent weeks at the hospital and Mr. Harlan urged that continued use of masks and social distancing stay in place for the foreseeable future. He indicated that current demand for vaccinations is far greater than the current supply. The hospital continues with new construction and renovation with a new roof planned of the medical building, a new fire alarm system planned, and renovations to the emergency room and ICU underway.

Sergeant Randy Slusher from the Miami County Sherriff's Office attended and thanked the Township for how well the roads have been plowed and salted during the past several ice and snow events.

### Fiscal Officers Report: Bill Whidden

- Distributed copies of the Payment Register;
- Provided copies of the January 31, 2021 Fund Status Report;
- Circulated the reconciled Bank Statement of January 31, 2021 for Trustee signatures;

<u>Communications</u>: The Trustees reviewed all of the items listed on the Agenda. Mark Schmitt sent an email and asked that the Township consider paying the lighting bill for the Creekwood Subdivision. The expense is approximately \$16.00 per month according to Mr. Schmitt. Mr. Pence pointed out that the Township has no legal authority to pay this expense and the request was declined. Mr. Pence also discussed the December and January reports from the Troy Fire Department and noted that the number of runs in the Township is down significantly.

### **Road Superintendent:** Brandt Miller submitted his report in writing

- The crew has been out 8 times for plowing and salting to date in 2021.
- Equipment maintenance continues on schedule.
- Logan Magoto is scheduled to take his CDL test on February 12, 2021.

#### **Old Business:**

### A. Open Items:

- Concord Debris Management and Disaster Recovery Plan
- Eric Davis 'Easement for Thomas Cemetery'
- Pine St. and Diana Dr. ditchwork

### **New Business:**

A Tom Mercer made a motion, seconded by Neil Rhoades to approve the Brush Pick-up Policy. The roll was called: Tom Mercer –Aye; Neil Rhoades – Aye; Don Pence – Aye.

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### **BRUSH PICK-UP POLICY**

Brush pick-up is to assist our residents with their routine yard maintenance. We will pick up brush, sticks, small limbs and tree trimmings performed by the resident.

The service is **NOT** intended as a means for residents to dispose of entire trees.

Brush pick-up service is provided for the months, March through September. All brush must be placed by the curb or street side by 7:30 a.m. on the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month.

Brush piles must meet the following guidelines or the pile will be left for the resident.

- Limbs cannot be longer than 6' and 3" in diameter
- No more than one pile per residence
- Brush cannot be mixed with other materials, i.e. grass clippings, pine needles, weeds, leaves, etc.
- No root balls or stumps
- The township reserves the right to refuse brush that is excessive in size and/or quantity

Residents with questions should contact Road Superintendent, Brandt Miller @ 937-339-1492

B. Tom Mercer made a motion, seconded by Neil Rhoades to approve the Leaf Pick-up Policy. The roll was called: Tom Mercer –Aye; Neil Rhoades – Aye; Don Pence – Aye.

### **Leaf Pick-up Policy**

Our annual leaf collection program is conducted each October and November. The schedule announcing pick up dates for your location will be posted on the Concord Township website in late September of each calendar year.

Concord Township asks residents to take these steps to help keep leaf collection on schedule, hold costs down, and reduce storm water pollution:

- Rake leaves one foot away from the curb or edge of the street if your neighborhood does not have curbs
- Keep leaves away from storm drains and catch basins because storm water runoff carries them to nearby waterways where they are a source of water pollution.
   Clogging these areas with leaves also may cause flooding on your property.
- Keep leaf piles free of rocks, branches and other yard waste. Leaf piles found with these materials will not be picked up.
- Place leaves away from obstacles such as mailboxes, fire hydrants and vehicles.
- Avoid parking on or near leaf piles. It's difficult for our crew to operate our leaf equipment around parked vehicles.

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TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS WHO DO NOT LIVE ALONG THE PLANNED ROUTES OR IN A LESS POPULATED AREA CAN REQUEST LEAF PICK UP BY CALLING 937-339-1492 AND LEAVING YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS.

Tom Mercer indicated that these policies would be mailed to Concord Township residents in the next several weeks.

C. Neil Rhoades was contacted by Linda Raterman from Miami County Soil & Water that the 2021 "Clean Sweep" of the Miami River was scheduled for July 16<sup>th</sup> and the Tire Recycle date has been set for May 12.

### **Public Comments:**

none

<u>Payments:</u> Don Pence made a motion to approve and pay Charges 9-20210 through 58-2021 and warrants 25041-24045. Mr. Mercer seconded the motion.

<u>Adjournment:</u> There was no further business and the meeting adjourned at 10:37a.m. on a motion and second by Don Pence and Neil Rhoades. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the Township Building.

Thomas N. Mercer	Donald D. Pence
Neil E. Rhoades	William B. Whidden, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Concord Township concerning and relating to the adoption or resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.