

**MINUTES**  
**CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**JUNE 12, 2019**

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The Concord Township Board of Trustees met at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday June 12, 2019. Bill Whidden called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees Bill Whidden, Don Pence, and Tom Mercer were present. Road Superintendent Neil Rhoades and Fiscal Officer Pat Quillen were also present.

**Minutes:** Don Pence made a motion to approve the Minutes of May 22, 2019 as distributed. Tom Mercer seconded the motion and all three Trustees signed in favor of acceptance.

**Guests:**

1. Judy and Gene Dammeyer of 1255 Pine Street returned to discuss ponding water in their yard. They read statements from themselves and two of their neighbors who are similarly affected. They provided photographs of the problems they face. Judy Dammeyer reported continuing pooling and flooding in their yard. Neil Rhoades stated that there are only a couple of places at which the ditch is raised higher than their yard and then only by a very small measure. At this point, Tom Mercer reported on a telephone call he had received from a resident on Spruce Street. That caller's property is adjacent to the Dammeyer's and he experiences similar problems. The neighbors believe that the construction of a barn just north of the Dammeyer property has caused this flooding. They spoke to the owner of the barn and that person had no objection to Gene Dammeyer setting up a pump last year. Then earlier this month, that land owner told him to remove the pump because it was killing his trees. The Trustees were sympathetic, but explained that the Township has no authority beyond the ditch which has been properly maintained.
2. Miami County Sheriff Dave Duchak distributed the Activity Report and Traffic Report from May 1 through the present. He reported that drug search warrants had been executed on Nashville Road and in town for marijuana and hashish. There is a low incidence of property crimes currently. Sheriff Duchak described the investigation and closing of the puppy mill on Peebles Road. Don Pence expressed concern that the house may be abandoned, but the Sheriff stated that the property owner appears to have the resources to restore the interior of the house.

**Clerk's Report:** Pat Quillen

- Distributed copies of the May and June Receipt and Payment Registers
- Provided the June 11, 2019 Fund Status Report
- Circulated the May 31, 2019 Reconciled Bank Statement for Trustee signatures

**Communications:** The Trustees reviewed all of the items listed on the Agenda. The Troy Fire Department Report for May, 2019 will be filed. Tom Mercer stated that the letter from Miami County Public Health should receive a reply, so he will call them about the mosquito surveillance. When he does, he will tie in the two wet areas on Pine and Spruce Streets discussed earlier in this meeting. None of the other items required action and none was retained.

**Road Superintendent's Report:** Neil Rhoades

- Reported on the damage from the May 27 storms. The staff has been collecting brush for two weeks and has taken 99 loads to Chaney's or to Troy's Dye Mill Road facility. Because of the severity of the storms, they have picked up larger pieces than normally would have been accepted. Records are being kept in accordance with instructions from the Miami County Emergency Management Agency.
- Received a complaint about tall grass on Locust View Way. He went out to look at the yard and found that the grass is not too bad, but the shrubbery and trees are overgrown. He will try to make a personal contact with the owner and resolve the issues.

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- Met with Staunton Township Trustees regarding Dura-Patching some spots on their roads. He estimates the work will take four to five hours later this summer. Bill Whidden stated that a fee for services will have to be set.
- Did not receive a reply from the man who was to evaluate the downed tree on Peebles Road that Brandt Miller moved off the road on May 19. It is probable that he is busy with storm-damaged trees.
- Reported that the owner of the business at 1099 North County Road 25-A was parking vehicles on Township property at 1077 North County Road 25-A. He will contact the man and ask him to park only on his own lot.
- Noted that the ground around the new building next door seems to be graded with a slope toward the Township Building. He will go over today and talk to the individual in charge.
- New Dump Truck: Brandt Miller is picking it up this morning.

**Old Business:**

- A. Resolution 2019-03 - 2020 Tax Budget: Don Pence made a motion to approved the 2020 Tax Budget and noted that the Public Hearing had been held on May 22, 2019. Bill Whidden seconded the motion and all three Trustees signed in favor of adoption.
- B. Resolution 2019-04 – Credit Card Account Policy: The document reviewed at the last meeting was put into the form of Resolution 2019-04 and Don Pence made a motion to adopt the Resolution. He noted that this action will have the Township in complete compliance with the Ohio Revised Code on this issue. Tom Mercer supported the motion and the three Trustees signed the Resolution in favor of adoption. Those employees with access to credit cards will sign an acknowledgement of the policy. Resolution 2017-10 of November 29, 2017 will be marked as “Superseded”.
- C. Miami County Council: Bill Whidden attended the meeting on June 5, 2019. ODOT sent a representative to speak on the impact of the May 27 tornadoes.
- D. Door-to-Door Solicitation: Bill Whidden reported a solicitor at his home this past week. He encouraged everyone to call the Miami County Sheriff’s Office if sales people are in their neighborhoods.
- E. Commercial Parking: Don Pence sent the latest draft of the revised policy to the Miami County Prosecutor’s Office for review. One phrase was added and the amended draft was approved by the Prosecutor. A Resolution will be prepared for the June 26, 2019 meeting.

**New Business:**

- A. Citizen Drainage Issues:
  - Spruce Street – Covered during Guests at the beginning of the meeting
  - Peebles Road – Tom Mercer received a call from a resident who wants to put a drainage tile in the ditch and requested guidance. Neil Rhoades stated that he believes there is already a tile in the ditch and doesn’t think that a larger replacement would help since the outlet is only 6”. He stated that grass grows in the ditch and he would like to have it returned to normal. Additionally, he doesn’t think a new 6” tile would make any difference. Tom Mercer will return the call to the resident.
- B. Miami County Township Association: Don Pence reminded everyone of the meeting tomorrow night in Brown Township.

**Guest Comments:** None

**Payments:** Bill Whidden made a motion to approve and pay Charges 131- through 155-2019 and Warrants 24895 through 24913. Tom Mercer seconded the motion and the Warrants were signed by the Trustees.

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**Adjournment:** There was no further business and the meeting adjourned viva voce at 10:55 a.m. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Township Building.

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Thomas N. Mercer

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Bill Whidden

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Donald D. Pence

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Patricia M. Quillen, 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.