

MINUTES
CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR SESSION
November 25, 2020

The Concord Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 25, 2020. Tom Mercer called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees Tom Mercer and Don Pence were present in person, as was Fiscal Officer Bill Whidden. Neil Rhoades was present by teleconference.

Minutes: Neil Rhoades made a motion to approve the Minutes of October 28, 2020 and was seconded by Don Pence.

Guests: There were no guests in attendance.

Fiscal Officer's Report: Bill Whidden

- Provided the payment register report for review through November 24, 2020. He also reported the Township may receive an additional BWC dividend in December as a result of the financial burdens brought on by Covid-19.
- **Communications:** The Trustees reviewed all of the items in the folder.

Road Superintendent: Brandt Miller

Brandt submitted his report in writing and Mr. Mercer noted its receipt:

- Leaf pickup continues with the scheduled pickup ending this week. Weather permitting, the crew will attempt one more round the first week of December.
- The new leaf box for the Western Star will be picked up from the fabricator on November 30th.
- The 2006 International 7400 suffered a flat tire and a new tire was purchased through Grismer Commercial Service.
- Two street signs on Saxony Wood and Countryside North were lost during the recent windstorm. One sign was recovered and restored and the Miami County Highway Department replaced the other.
- The Township building emergency exit signs had all batteries replaced.

Old Business:

A. Open Items:

- Concord Debris Management and Disaster Recovery Plan – No comment
- Boone Creek Flooding (April 29, 2019 Minutes) – No Comment
- Ziegenfelder Ditch – No comment
- Eric Davis “easement for Thomas Cemetery”- Don Pence met with Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Chris Englert who recommended that Mr. Davis be advised of the Township’s intention to vacate the easement following the removal of the memorial.
- Shenandoah Entrance Sign: No Comment
- Review of Township Resolutions: The Trustees intend to have a mailing regarding any changes in March of 2021.
- In response to a request by a citizen at the 11/11/20 meeting regarding potential road and street improvements on the west side of Troy, as a way to manage and or eliminate traffic congestion, the following is reported: A meeting was held with the engineers from both the City of Troy and Miami County. The concerns of the citizen were shared, specifically mentioning the intersection of Barnhart Road and State Route 718, the intersection of Washington Road and State Route 718, the intersection

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of West Stanfield Road and Washington Road and the volume of traffic on Washington Road. While there is no funding in place at this time, officials from the City of Troy and Miami County continuously monitor areas where specific roadway improvements are required. In addition, even though there are no immediate plans for roadway improvements on the west side of Troy, they will respond if they find conditions changing that justify an improvement.

New Business: A. Mr. Whidden reported receiving a draft of the audit for 2018-19. Some minor adjustments, having no material effect on the Township financials, were noted and the appropriate forms for finalizing the audit were signed.

B. Mr. Mercer has had contact with Philip Kelley of Eliant Technologies to assist with publishing the Township newsletter from time to time. Mr. Whidden will follow-up with Mr. Kelly.

C. Mr. Mercer reported annual employee evaluations were completed. The Trustees are very pleased with the Township employees and the pride they take in their work, as reflected in the evaluations. He made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rhoades to award a 3.00% wage increase to both Brandt Miller and Jeff Davis, effective on January 1, 2021. A voice vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.

D. A motion to approve Resolution 2020-13 to Amend Permanent Appropriations was made by Tom Mercer, seconded by Don Pence and passed unanimously. The resolution was required as a result of Township receiving an additional \$63,472.03 in funding under the CARES Act (November Redistribution).

Public Comments:

none

Payments: Neil Rhoades made a motion to approve and pay Charges 463-2020 through 476-2020. Mr. Pence seconded the motion.

Adjournment: There was no further business and the meeting adjourned viva voce at 10:31 a.m. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Township Building.

Thomas N. Mercer

Neil E. Rhoades

Donald D. Pence

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.