

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Oxford Township Board of Trustees
Held December 14, 2021 at 8:00 p.m., Page 627

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Oxford Township was called to order by Chairman Hatten.

Roll call: James Hatten, present; Craig Pittman, present; Steve Lewis, present. Also present: Jim Viers, Road Maintenance Supervisor, Duane Matlack, Oxford Township Zoning Inspector, Amee Sword, Director of the Wornstaff Memorial Public Library and Dave Mueller, resident.

Minutes of the November regular meeting and Special meeting held November 19, 2021 were previously read by each trustee and a motion was made by Lewis and seconded by Pittman to approve the minutes as read and presented. Vote: All yeas. Motion carried. The bank statement and the bank reconciliation for November were reviewed and initialed by the trustees.

Financial Report – November 30, 2021, balances Total \$469,587.03
1000 - \$189,742.18 2031 - \$21,647.34 2272 - \$62,850.64 9001 - \$ 449.32
2011 - \$ 13,161.27 2041 - \$ 2,131.28 4951 - \$ 2,564.65
2021 - \$166,564.96 2231 - \$ 9,187.51 4952 - \$ 1,287.88

Resident, Dave Mueller was in attendance to find out more information regarding ODOT's 23 Connect project. Trustee's stated they are trying to get the word out regarding the project and sent a postcard mailing to the residents. Trustees cannot voice an opinion as a township, but they can personally. All the trustees stated personally they are against the 23 Connect project. The trustees are working with ODOT to organize a public meeting with the Oxford Township residents to help answer any questions. Unfortunately, they have not been able to get anything set up. The next public meeting scheduled by ODOT is on January 19, 2021 from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the Delaware County Fairgrounds in the new Agricultural Center. ODOT has extended the public comment survey until February 28th. The link for the survey is **Publicinput.com/23Connect**.

There was discussion in regards to the Regular Meeting Schedule Resolution and the 2022 meeting schedule. In 2022 all regular meetings will be on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 8:00 P.M. (8:30 P.M. DST) located at the Oxford Township Hall, 5125 Shoemaker Rd., Ashley, OH 43003. A motion was made by Pittman and seconded by Lewis to add to the Regular Meeting Schedule Resolution a time limit for public speaking to 2 to 3 minutes per person, when there is a large crowd in attendance. This policy will be used at the trustee's discretion. Vote: All yeas. Motion carried. The resolution will be prepared by the fiscal officer and presented at the January 11, 2022 regular / organizational meeting.

Amee Sword, Director of the Wornstaff Memorial Public Library updated trustees on the following:

- They are currently out of Covid-19 self-tests. They hope to have more in by December 16, 2021. Hatten stated that the Elm Valley Joint Fire District has some.
- The library is partnering with OSU 4-H Extension Office and DACC Robotics Automation & Design to offer a six-week program to learn basic coding with Sphero Bolts. The program will be every Wednesday, beginning January 5th from 3:45pm to 5:15pm. The class is designed for 3rd to 5th grade students and is limited to 15. If you would like to participate, please call the library (740-747-2085) to register.

The township's Annual Appropriation Resolution for 2022 was reviewed and discussed. The amount of appropriations is based on the Official Certificate of Estimated Resources for 2022 from the Delaware County Budget Commission. Appropriations per fund levels were set as follows:

General - \$270,000.00	Permissive Motor Vehicle - \$10,000.00
Motor Vehicle Tax - \$13,000.00	Local Fiscal Recovery Fund - \$62,000.00
Gasoline Tax - \$230,000.00	Permanent (Bequest-Gavitt) - \$1,500.00
Road and Bridge - \$17,000.00	Permanent (Bequest-Bell) - \$700.00
Cemetery - \$2,000.00	Agency Library Levy - \$69,000.00

Total Annual Appropriations - \$675,200.00

Lewis moved the adoption of the resolution and it was seconded by Pittman. Vote: All yeas. Motion carried and resolution duly passed.

Re-elected trustees, Steve Lewis and Craig Pittman were read the "Oath of Office" by Joyce Leienberger, Fiscal Officer, Oxford Township. Their Public Official Bonds were signed and witnesses by Joyce Leienberger, The Oath of Office documentation, Public Official Bonds, and copy of these minutes are filed at the office of the fiscal officer.

Duane Matlack, Oxford Township Zoning Inspector updated trustees on the following:

Zoning Permits:

- 12/10/2021 - Shane Hubbard, 2813 Whipple Rd., 2494 sq.' New Residence

Driveway Permits:

- 12/12/2021 – American Heritage Homes, 2813 Whipple Rd., 30' of 12" double wall plastic

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Zoning Violations:

- The property located at 8895 US Highway 42., Ashley was reinspected on 11/5/2021 with the Delaware Public Health District. A report was sent to the Delaware County Prosecutor's Office to move forward with the injunction, stating there was very little improvement observed regarding the clean-up of trash and debris. As of 12/4/2021 Duane conducted a drive by inspection and found no improvement with the conditions. The Delaware County Prosecutor's Office was notified and will proceed with the filing for the permanent injunction.

Duane also informed trustees of a BZA meeting that will most likely be held in January in regard to a lot split on the property located at 9281 Piper Rd. The lot split was noncompliant due to not enough road frontage. The resident will need to file a variance for frontage with the Oxford Township Board of Appeals. Duane also stated there may be grant funds available that can be used for the use of nuisance abatement. If so, he would be able to do a zoning violation and clean up some of the vacant homes in the township.

Current bills of \$15,043.20 were presented for approval and payment during December. After review, a motion was made by Lewis and seconded by Pittman to pay same. Vote: All yeas. Motion carried. (Cks -11446 – 11465 - \$10,708.42, Vchr. 106 - \$136.65, Vchr. 108 - \$2,491.13, Vchr. 109 - \$12.00, Vchr. 110 - \$534.00, Vchr. 111 - \$1,161.00. A list of these checks and their payees are on file in the fiscal officer's office.

This concluded the business for the meeting and a motion was made by Lewis and seconded by Pittman to adjourn. Vote: All yeas. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

Approved: _____ Chairman

Attest: _____ Fiscal Officer