

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Troy Township Board of Trustees Meeting
April 4, 2023

The Troy Township Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Leonard Barcikoski. Trustees Leonard Barcikoski, Donn Breckenridge, Sharon Simms and Fiscal Officer Jane Grudowski were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Barcikoski.

The minutes of the March 21, 2023 Regular Trustee Meeting were read and approved.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Eric Mathews was present. Trustee Leonard Barcikoski thanked Chief Mathews and his department for their exceptional service through the wind storms the past couple of weeks. Chief Mathews stated during the wind storms they received 16 calls 10 were for Troy, 6 were in Parkman. 4 of the Parkman calls were storm related, 2 were EMS calls. For Troy there were 3 EMS calls and 7 were storm related. They were able to handle all the calls.

Chief Mathews said the department is blowing away all records of past years with 227 calls to date so far.

Chief Mathews said he met with the insurance adjuster regarding the damaged fire hose. The claim check has already come in for \$6,523.00.

Chief Mathews stated that FEMA is reimbursing the departments that responded to the East Palestine train derailment. Chief Mathews filled out all the necessary paperwork but it does take a long time to receive FEMA money. It covers personnel and the cost of equipment being there for approximately 16 hours. He believes the tanker itself will get \$140.00 an hour. He said we should receive about \$2500.00.

Trustee Simms asked Chief Mathews if we ever got paid for the plane crash on Shaw a few years back? Chief said yes. Trustee Simms also asked about the process for getting reimbursed for classes we have paid for and any grant money in the past we have applied for? Chief Mathews stated its all filled out to go directly to the Fiscal Officers attention.

Chief Mathews said they were interviewing two cadets this evening. They were part of an outreach program with the boy scouts and that is where these cadets came from.

Chief Mathews said they received numerous calls and complaints with current road closures from accidents and the recent wind storms. He stated they do their best to get the roads opened as soon as possible and he said best way to communicate with the locals is with their Facebook page. They update that frequently when there are situations going on.

Chief Mathews also said they got numerous calls asking them when power will be back on during the wind storms. He said as Chief he does get a questionnaire from First Energy he fills out letting them know of places like The Inn at Pines and such that have more high-risk residents that would take priority to try and get roads cleared to those types of places and prioritize them to get power back on first.

Chief Mathews reminded everyone that the fire station is a red cross emergency location. They have a generator so people can get warm. Charge their cell phones etc.

Trustee Simms asked Chief Mathews if he applied for the grant for road signs this year? He said the signs cost much more than the grant offers. He said he did not get that grant. He said they currently have two road closed signs. All departments were running out of signs with all the wind storms in the past couple weeks.

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Chief Mathews said technically the addition has started for the fire station. They will have meetings regarding construction every first and third Thursday during the building process.

COMMUNITY HOUSE AND GROUND

Custodian Mary DeYoung was present. Mary said it's been quiet with rentals lately. She wanted trustees to know when the power goes out the emergency lights in the Community House do not come on. Trustee Barcikoski asked Chief Mathews if the fire department could check those out and see what is going on with them? Chief Mathews said he will have someone check it out.

Trustee Simms and Breckenridge both let Mary know she has to keep an eye on the AED in the front hall of the Community House. As Community House Custodian that she needs to watch that. The batteries were dead in the AED. She needs to replace batteries and watch that frequently to make sure it is working properly.

Trustee Breckenridge said he would like to make The Community House an emergency Red Cross location. With all the storms lately, he would like to look into getting a generator. He said there was a rental here with a large party during the power outage Saturday and they were okay and handled their party great with no power.

Trustee Breckenridge told Custodian Mary DeYoung she has to shampoo the front hallway from all the greasy foot prints. She thought those were from the roofers. Trustee Breckenridge said roofers did not come inside. He is sure it was from the one gathering where the guests were not happy about the condition of the Community House and Mary said she was not aware of angry renters. Trustee Breckenridge said he handled it for her.

CEMETERY

Sexton Patty Humr was not present. Fiscal Officer Jane Grudowski asked the Trustees about buying back the deed for cemetery lot no 31 grave 1&2 from Anthony and Nina Caimi. They moved to Chagrin Falls and decided to purchase plots out there. All Trustees agreed it was okay to pay them \$150.00 to buy it back. Fiscal Officer Jane Grudowski will process check for them.

ZONING

Zoning Inspector Joe Orlowski was present. Joe stated he has been busy. Did an application for new house and one for an addition and for a new fence. Joe said he will be sending out a couple letters to residents regarding some abandoned cars. Joe also said the abandoned RV at Iron Horse that has Susan Sanchez written on it that all the Iron Horse has to do is file report with sheriff office saying its an abandoned vehicle than the sheriff department will have it removed.

ROADS

Road Contractor Bob Humr was not present. Trustee Leonard Barcikoski wanted to thank Bob Humr for doing such a great job on all the tree clean up the past couple months. It really saved the Township with all these wind storms. We had no reports of trees on lines on any of the Township roads.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Trustee Breckenridge made a motion to recess the regular meeting and go into executive session regarding a personnel issue at the Fire Department Per Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)(1). Trustee Simms seconded the motion.

Roll call vote followed: Trustee Breckenridge-yes. Trustee Simms-yes. Trustee Barcikoski-yes. Motion carried. The trustees recessed their meeting at 7:35 P.M. in order to go into executive session.

The trustees returned from executive session and Chairman Barcikoski said they discussed the personnel issue with Chief Mathews and advised him on how to handle it. The trustees reconvened their regular meeting at 7:40 P.M.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business to discuss

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Simms made a motion to have a special meeting with Parkman and legal counsel present to discuss possible Fire Department collaboration. It would be April 19th at 5pm at the Troy Community House. There will be no comments asked or taken from the public. Trustee Breckenridge seconded. Vote followed: Trustee Breckenridge-yes, Trustee Simms-yes, Trustee Barcikoski-yes. All approved.

Fiscal Officer Jane Grudowski will run the legal ad in the paper to notify the public of the special meeting.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT

Fiscal Officer Jane Grudowski was present. Jane Presented

Fiscal Officer's Report for March 22, 2023 to April 4, 2023

Electronic vouchers 135-2023 to 157 -2023 = total \$17,232.05

Warrants 25441 to 25470 (were signed and approved prior to meeting) =total \$21,479.96

Receipts – total = \$23,531.37

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC:

Resident Gerald Mitchell said when he was Trustee they tried many years ago to get a generator and it was not possible at the time at the Community House. Gerald also said regarding zoning it would be great if there was more co-operation from the public. He would like residents to get more involved.

Resident and Lone Wolfe Business owner Mike Hornsby said there is a great app to get updated traffic alerts. It is called OHGO. Great for info on road closures and construction areas, etc.

With no further business to come before the Board Trustee Breckenridge motioned to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Simms seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48p.m. All in favor.

The visitor's list is included.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jane Grudowski

Fiscal Officer