

Jersey Township, Licking County

Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 3, 2024 - 7:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Dan Wetzel, Chairman
Jeff Fry, Vice-Chairman
Ben Pieper, Trustee

Staff Present:

Bud Witney, Zoning Inspector
Rob Platte, Administrator

Visitors:

See Sign-In Sheet

Trustee Wetzel called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., and the Pledge of Allegiance was foregone as it had been recited at the Organizational Meeting. Mr. Platte called the roll and it was confirmed that Trustees Wetzel, Pieper and Fry were in attendance.

Trustee Wetzel moved to approve the agenda as presented. Trustee Pieper seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion was approved via unanimous roll call vote.

Trustee Wetzel introduced the minutes from the December 4, 2023 and December 26, 2023 Regular Meetings and asked if there were any requested changes. With no changes being requested, Trustee Wetzel moved to dispense of the reading of the minutes and approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Pieper seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion was approved via unanimous roll call vote.

Trustee Wetzel asked for Public Comments. No public comments were provided.

Trustee Wetzel asked for the Fiscal Officer items. Fiscal Officer Jesenko provided the current fund balances and reviewed the checks that need signed. Trustee Wetzel moved to approve the Finance Report as presented. Trustee Pieper seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion was approved via unanimous roll call vote. Fiscal Officer Jesenko presented cemetery deeds for signatures.

Trustee Wetzel asked for department reports. Mr. Platte followed up on the previously discussed issues related to the recycling dumpsters in the parking lot. Mr. Platte stated that he had been in contact with Rumpke to see if a residential recycling option could be offered to the residents. He expects Rumpke will be crafting a proposal for the Board to consider at its next meeting. Mr. Platte stated that he is in the process of updating the township-provided Life Insurance coverage as previously directed by the Board, and expects to have it completed in the next week or two. Mr. Platte reported that OPWC would be meeting on February 8, 2024 to finalize the slate of projects. Mr. Witney shared that he has the updated Zoning Map available for signatures. He also asked the trustees to set the zoning hearing date for the text amendments and Martin rezoning. Trustee Wetzel moved to set the next zoning hearings for February 5, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. Trustee Pieper seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion was approved via unanimous roll call vote. Mr. Witney reported that the BZA would be holding a

variance hearing on January 15 for the Coughlin Kia dealership. Mr. Witney has issued a zoning permit for an accessory building at 1268 Morse Road, and the Zoning Commission is looking into short-term rentals text.

Trustee Wetzel introduced Unfinished Business. Mr. Platte stated there was none.

Trustee Wetzel introduced New Business. Mr. Platte presented a number a resolutions for the Board to consider that are follow-ups to the Organizational Meeting.

Trustee Wetzel moved to approve Resolution #24-01-03-10 a Resolution Employing Attorneys on an Annual Basis for the Year 2024. Trustee Pieper seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion was approved via unanimous roll call vote.

Trustee Wetzel moved to approve Resolution #24-01-03-11 a Resolution to Contract for Technical Assistance and Planning Services. Trustee Fry seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion was approved via unanimous roll call vote.

Trustee Wetzel moved to approve Resolution #24-01-03-12 a Resolution Expressing the Intent of the Township to Sell Property by Internet Auction O.R.C.505.10(D). Trustee Fry seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion was approved via unanimous roll call vote.

Trustee Wetzel moved to approve Resolution #24-01-03-13 a Resolution Disposing of Township Property by Internet Auction. Trustee Fry seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion was approved via unanimous roll call vote.

Trustee Wetzel moved to approve Resolution #24-01-03-14 a Resolution to Contract for Fire and EMS Services. Trustee Pieper seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion was approved via unanimous roll call vote.

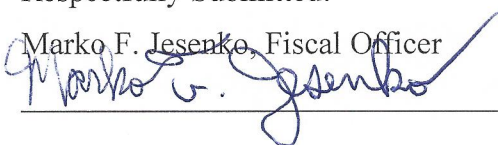
Mr. Platte explained that he and Trustee Wetzel had been discussing a collaborative project related to the development of land at or near the SR37 and SR310 intersection. Because this is where four townships share a boundary, it has been dubbed the "Four Corners Project". Mr. Platte has worked with legal counsel to draft an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) and he asked the Board to approve he and Trustee Wetzel to present the IGA to Monroe, Liberty, and St Albans townships for their consideration. Trustee Wetzel moved to approve the IGA and for he and Mr. Platte to present it to the township partners. Trustee Fry seconded the motion and with no further discussion, the motion was approved via unanimous roll call vote.

Trustee Wetzel asked for any Public Comments. One comment was offered related to residential recycling, in that it should only be offered to the residents under a voluntary basis.


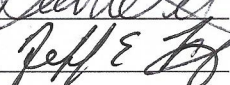
Trustee Wetzel asked for Trustee Comments. No other comments were provided.

Trustee Wetzel moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Fry seconded the motion and the voice vote on the motion was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marko F. Jesenko, Fiscal Officer


Attest:

Dan Wetzel, Chairperson 
Jeff Fry, Vice-Chairperson 
Ben Pieper, Trustee 