

Jersey Township, Licking County

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

December 26, 2023 - 7:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Dan Wetzel, Chairman
Jeff Fry, Vice-Chairman
Ben Pieper, Trustee
Marko Jesenko, Fiscal Officer

Staff Present:

Rob Platte, Administrator

Visitors:

See Sign-In Sheet

Trustee Wetzel called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., and then led the Pledge of Allegiance. 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 with the removal of the approval of the minutes from the December 4 meeting. Trustee Fry seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Trustee Wetzel asked if there were any public comments. No comments were offered.

Trustee Wetzel asked for the Fiscal Officer's report. Fiscal Officer Jesenko presented the Finance Report, including checks for approval and the funds report. Trustee Wetzel moved to approve the Finance Report. Trustee Pieper seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion was approved by unanimous vote. Fiscal Officer Jesenko asked the Board to consider amending the split of the Trustees' compensation to 80% from the Road and Bridge Fund and 20% from the General Fund, as this is more reflective of the work performed by the board members. Trustee Wetzel moved to approve the change in the split. Trustee Fry seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Trustee Fry asked if there was any Unfinished Business. Mr. Platte stated there was not.

Trustee Wetzel introduced New Business. Mr. Platte stated that the Road Department was in need of replacing the brush chipper and adding a "Gator" vehicle. Mr. Platte reviewed the funding sources available for the purchases, including utilizing funding from the balance of the ARPA money. He also stated that the old brush chipper would be added to the list of items to be offered for public auction in 2024. Trustee Fry discussed the convenience of having Ag-Pro nearby for parts and service. He also noted the brush chipper is the same manufacturer as what they currently use and have been happy with the performance and longevity. Trustee Wetzel moved Resolution No. 23-12-26-01, Resolution Authorizing An Expenditure From The American Rescue Plan Funds Under The Township's Standard Allowance. Trustee Pieper seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion was approved by unanimous vote. Trustee Wetzel moved Resolution No. 23-12-26-02, Resolution Authorizing The Purchase Of Equipment And Appropriating Necessary Funding. Trustee Fry seconded the motion, and

with no further discussion the motion was approved by unanimous vote. Mr. Platte shared that as a follow up to the Board's December 4, 2023 approval of continuing health insurance coverage with Waypoint Benefit Solutions, he as prepared a resolution to authorize the renewal and the payments of the premiums. Trustee Wetzel moved Resolution No. 23-12-26-03, Resolution Approving The Renewal Of A Health Insurance Plan Through Waypoint Benefit Solutions For Calendar Year 2024 And Authorizing Payment Of Premiums. Trustee Pieper seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

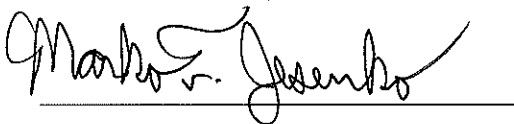
Trustee Wetzel asked for any public comments. Neal Wengatz thanked the Board for all of their work and congratulated the township on a great year. Greg Rice thanked the Board for its openness and great work.

Trustee Wetzel asked for any Trustee Comments. The Board wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Trustee Wetzel moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Pieper seconded the motion and the voice vote on the motion was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marko F. Jesenko, Fiscal Officer



Attest:

Dan Wetzel, Chairperson



Jeff Fry, Vice-Chairperson



Ben Pieper, Trustee

