

**ALLEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**May 3 2021**

**Minutes**

**Call to Order**

Trustee Kingham, as Chairman called the regular meeting of the Allen Township Trustees to order on May 3 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Trustee Kingham began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

<b>Roll Call:</b>	Rick Kingham	Township Trustee Chairman
	Don McCreary	Township Trustee
	Jack Rausch	Township Trustee
	Lori LaCella	Township Fiscal Officer
	Steve Brose	Fire Chief
	Nick Johnson	Road Superintendent
	Bill Streng	Zoning
	Deputy Mitchell	Union County Sheriff
	Nathan Vanover	Resident
	Jennifer Vanover	Resident

**FINANCES & ADMINISTRATION**

The Fiscal Officer read the minutes of April 5, 2021, and the said minutes were approved as read.

The Fiscal Officer provided each member of the Board with a list of recent receipts and pending expenditures for review. There was a motion by Trustee Rausch and a second by Trustee McCreary, and upon certification by the Fiscal Officer that appropriate funds were available, the pending expenditures were approved. The Fiscal Officer also provided the most recent payroll reports for the Board’s review. The board reviewed the previous month’s bank reconciliation and verified the sequence of the checks.

Fiscal officer, Lori LaCella noted she attended the 2 day training webinar with the Ohio Auditor for CEU credits.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Nathan Vanover stated his interested in serving on the zoning appeal board. The Trustees discussed the requirements. Trustee Rausch moved than Vanover be appointed as a member of the zoning appeal board. After further discussion, Trustee Kingham seconded the motion. Upon call of the roll, all being in favor, Nathan Vanover was appointed to fulfill the zoning appeal board.

**ZONING BUSINESS**

Received numerous zoning questions throughout the month, and there were five certificates were issued.

Bill Streng noted there was an article in the Marysville Journal Tribune on April 29, 2021 relative to Solar Farms. The ATZR currently has no mention of solar farms, and according to the article it doesn’t appear clear on what a township can legislate. Bill will check with the LUC to see what actions the Zoning Board may want to consider.

Bill Streng received a call from Steve Wood who is selling a parcel on Maple Ridge Rd. that was plotted in the early 1970's and was "grandfathered" into our current zoning. It was confirmed last August, but it was requested that it be in writing which was provided to him on April 19.

On April 21 Bill Streng received a call from Gary Watson, a resident of Smokey Rd. to inquire about a sawmill in operation located two properties from his. Bill informed Gary Watson the sawmill was approved by our BZA on Oct. 17, 2018 for Robert Tyree, of 19100 Smokey Rd. and was told him that it had been properly advertised.

On April 22 Bill Streng received a call from a resident who wanted to know about building a second home on her property for her parents. It was explained to her the requirements for a single family home which she could not meet, and she asked if she could add an addition, to which she was told she could as long as it met the setbacks.

On April 22 Bill Streng received a call from Bob Fraker, requesting all the zoning reports that had references to his property at 20950 St. Rt. 245. He wants to sever an agreement he has with his sister and wants documentations for his case, and then wants to clean up the property.

Bill Streng noted on 4/28 that he received a call from a realtor regarding a client who wanted to purchase a home in Allen Township, then build a 1,500 SF building for their son to operate a wood shop type of business. She was told her that could only be done with a conditional use, and approval by our BZA.

Bill Streng received a call from Matt Smith, a local attorney and township resident regarding alleys in Pottersburg. Matt Smith is working for Rodney Drumm who owns the old church, and an alley and property line runs through the center of the church. It was suggested he contact Thayne Gray for advice, but he also contacted Rick Kingham who has been doing extensive research on Allen Township. Rick spent some time researching Pottersburg and was able to compile a very good overlay showing the buildings in conjunction to the old alleys and streets, which were sent to Matt for his use as a reference point.

See attached report for more detail.

#### **SHERIFF REPORT**

Deputy Mitchell attended and has had no issues within the Township.

#### **ROAD BUSINESS**

Road Superintendent, Nick Johnson noted there were eight dumpsters for spring clean-up.

Road Superintendent, Nick Johnson noted that Darby Pottersburg was completed.

Road Superintendent, Nick Johnson noted they have begun to put the new picnic tables together.

#### **Resolution 2021.5**

Road Superintendent, Nick Johnson, provided a quote from the Union County Engineer for \$10,168.66 for the dura-patch of all township roads in Allen Township. There was a motion by Trustee Kingham and a second by Trustee McCreary to proceed with repair of township roads.

**FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Chief Steve Brose is still attempting to get a contractor for kitchen remodel.

Chief Steve Brose note the new rescue price is \$576,635.00 with the 100% Pre-payment is \$8649.53 discount. The performance bond is \$2290.00 addition with a total of \$570,275.00

Build time is about 16-17 months.

Trustee McCreary moved to purchase the new rescue for \$576,635.00 and a second by Trustee Rausch to approve the purchase. McCreary, yea, Rausch, yea, Kingham, yea.

Chief Steve Brose noted crews completed monthly safety trainings.

Chief Steve Brose noted Ryan Heckel and Neal Page received Lieutenant’s promotions.

See the report for additional detail.

**CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER MISCELLANEOUS**

None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

There being no further business, Trustee Kingham moved to adjourn the meeting, Trustee Rausch offered a second. Upon a roll call vote, all being in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

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Ricky Kingham (Chairman)

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Jack Rausch

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Don McCreary