# ALLEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES November 6, 2023 Minutes

#### Call to Order

Trustee Kingham, Chairman called the regular meeting of the Allen Township Trustees to order on November 6, 2023.

# Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Kingham began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Rick Kingham

Township Trustee

Don McCreary

Township Trustee

Ken Reiff

Township Trustee

Allison Hamilton

Admin. Assist.

Steve Brose Nick Johnson Absent

Bill Streng

Absent Zoning

Charlotte Blumenschein

Zoning

Others in attendance: Tom Paplaczyk, Insurance Broker; Brad Bodenmiller, LUC; Greg Gerten, Drew Gerhan and Loree Culp.

## FINANCES & ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Hamilton read the minutes of the October 2, 2023 meeting; said minutes were approved as read.

Ms. Hamilton provided the Board with a list of recent receipts & pending expenditures for review. Mr. McCreary made a motion with a second by Mr. Reiff to approve the expenditures upon the certification by the Fiscal Officer. Recent payroll reports were provided to the Board for review. The Board reviewed the previous month's bank reconciliation and verified the sequence of the checks.

The Board asked to the Fisher Excavating check until the work was verified as satisfactory.

Mr. Reiff made a motion with a second from Mr. McCreary for members to attend the Ohio Township Association conference in February 2024; fees to be paid and or reimbursed by Allen Township. All were in favor.

Trustee Kingham recommended having a joint Zoning and Township Trustee meeting. Looking at February 5, 2024 starting at 5 p.m.

The Board needs to look at long term revenue strategies.

**Resolution 2023-12** Petition the Union County Board of Commissioners to vacate alleyways in Pottersburg, Allen township, Union County. Trustee Kingham made the motion to pass resolution 2023-12 with a second from Trustee McCreary. All in favor, Kingham yea, McCreary, yea, Reiff, yea.

All of 20 feet wide "Road" or Alleyway 1 on Northeast side of Pottersburg (unnamed) consisting of 0.57acres.

- 2. All of "Road" or Street named William consisting of approx. 0.42 acres
- 3. All of 20 feet wide "Road" or Alleyway 2 (un-named) con Southwest side of Pottersburg consisting of approx. 0.57 acres.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Tom Paplaczyk, Broker with Strategic Business Services, was in attendance to review the employee group health insurance. Anthem initially submitted an 8% increase; however, Mr. Paplaczyk was able to get the increase reduced to 5%. There was discussion of other plans & options as provided to the Board in the packet. Mr. Paplaczyk went over the spreadsheet provided. After discussion, the Board opted to further review the information and provide Mr. Paplaczyk with a decision by the end of November.

Ms. Loree Culp wanted to thank the Fire Department for providing a positive station experience for her grandchildren.

#### **ZONING BUSINESS**

Brad Bodenmiller, representative from LUC, advised the Board, Union County is currently working on a Countywide Comprehensive Plan. This would be a good time to review the Township Comprehensive Plan. He offered to work with Mrs. Blumenschein on a Township survey.

Mrs. Blumenschein, Chairperson Zoning Commission, provided the Board with the Zoning Commission's October Hearing recommendation on 2 parcels to be rezoned from M-1 to U-1. The Board set December 4, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. as the date and time to hold a hearing on the Zoning Commission. There was discussion of the Comprehensive Plan. The Board asked Mrs. Blumenschein to have the Commission work on review.

Mr. Streng, Zoning Inspector, provided the Board with his monthly report. Discussion of vacating alleys in Pottersburg. The documents would need to be submitted to the Union County Commissioners & the Union County Engineer.

### SHERIFF REPORT

Sheriff had nothing new to report.

#### **ROAD BUSINESS**

Road Superintendent, Nick Johnson, was absent.

#### **FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Fire Chief, Steve Brose was absent.

## **CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER MISCELLANEOUS**

Union County Commissioners will hold a Solar Hearing on November 29, 2023. The Trustees will re-submit letter to their office.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

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

Rick Kingham, Chairman

Don McCreary Co-Chairman

Kenneth Reiff