

## THE WOODVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S REGULAR MEETING – August 17, 2022

A regular meeting of the Woodville Township Trustees was held on August 17, 2022. Those in attendance: Trustees: Chairman Paul Runion, Bill Hammer, and Ken Green, Fiscal Officer Lori Kepus, Fire Chief Tim Schnitker, Assistant Fire Chief Dave Miller, Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker, Sandusky County EMS Chief Jeff Jackson (left at 7:13 pm) One Energy CEO Jereme Kent, Meredith Wirth, Bower Sarra, Bobbi Covington, and Rich Bohon, Black Swamp Bird Observatory Director Kimberly Kaufman and Research Director Mark Shieldcastle. Zoning Inspector Steve Michaelis was absent.

Chairman Paul Runion called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. This meeting was held observing the COVID pandemic precautions including social distancing.

**One Energy Zoning Permit** - The Trustees and Jereme Kent and Wade Weaver agreed that there could be an extension of the Township's Zoning Board of Appeals' decision (due August 14) on the variance filed by One Energy until sometime after the Trustee's August 18 public hearing on their requested zoning change. Trustee Runion spoke with our attorney and she said she would reach out to their attorney. Trustee Runion said he visited the One Energy headquarters in Findlay on August 8 and spoke with Mr. Kent and Katie Treadway. They said they had not received any documents yet, but would to reach out to our attorney Beth Tischler.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT** – Fire Chief Tim Schnitker reported on the following:

- On August 9 at 12:40 pm, the Sandusky County EMA sent an email to myself, Chief Whitehead, and Tina Anderson, the Director of the 911 center advising us that approximately 176 customers in Woodville area may not be able to dial 911 due to a system issue. I did not see the email until around 2:30 pm at which time I started working on a plan to inform people in the area and make sure they knew a number they could call in an emergency. By the time I posted it on the Woodville Fire Dept page and the Talk of Woodville, I received an email at 2:48 pm telling me the issue was resolved. I was not the only one that did not see this until it was almost resolved. The 911 Dispatch Center at the county did not know it was happening until I called to verify the best possible number for people to dial for quick access to dispatch.
- We have found some issues in the new radios and I am working on getting them updated. The county template update is still in progress.
- I have the Return-to-Work slip for Bill Andrews dated 1 August 2022.
- I have the details of the work done to X-2 for its annual maintenance. I also have an old a quote of things to be repaired. I think that some of them are more than we should spend on a truck that will hopefully be sold in a year. I do think we should move forward with replacing the backup alarm as that is an immediate safety concern, and I think we should have them replace the missing bolt from the one leaf spring, if possible, but the rest of the items I think we could hold off at this time.
- Sutphen now estimates that the new truck will not be delivered until July, 2023. Fire has asked that the black stripe down the side be a white reflective stripe instead.
- The exhaust fan in the truck bay is not working. Trustee Runion stated that an electrician looked at it and said the motor looks pristine, and they think it is just a bearing that needs replaced.
- A new Winco Automatic Transfer Switch is needed for the generator. Trustee Hammer made a motion to purchase a new switch to be installed by an electrician up to \$2,000. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.
- The next American Red Cross Blood Drive is Friday, September 9 from noon to 5 p.m. at the fire station.
- Chief Schnitker agreed to complete the required 2 hours of CEUs with the BWC for our worker's compensation program.

Trustee Hammer made a motion to pay up to \$360 in wages after securing the proper paperwork from the employer for the firefighter that missed two days of work from his regular job after he had a medical issue during a recent fire. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

**EMS** – Sandusky County EMS Chief Jeff Jackson reported on the following:

- LS19 had another record run month. There were 48 runs with 26 transports to area hospitals - 19 advanced lifesaving transports and 7 basic lifesaving transports.
- The ambulance had a siren speaker go out and an oil pressure sensor go bad. All were replaced and the truck is back in service.
- The air conditioning in the crew quarters does not seem to be putting out enough air. Trustee Runion checked the furnace filter and it just needed to be changed. The Trustees agreed this maintenance should be added into a schedule for the firemen to complete on Monday nights along with other small maintenance tasks like generator checks, etc.
- The new ambulance is possibly going to need a new power load cot system which costs just under \$30,000. Chief Jackson will get a quote from Stryker.
- The county does not wish to purchase the old ambulance. Chief suggested selling it on Govdeals.
- Trustee Runion made a motion to purchase a gift card to the SpeedTrap Diner for the EMS crew to each have a meal as a small thank you for being inconvenienced during the four-month long construction that has been going on at the station. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

**ZONING** – Trustee Runion provided an update on the progress of demolishing the old Atlas Building on State Route 20 now owned by Jason Ohms. Environmental assessments have been done and we are just waiting for the state to proceed with the grant. The Land Bank applied and received a \$1,000,000 grant on behalf of Townships to tear down vacant and abandoned structures and clean-up properties for commercial property and \$500,000 grant for residential property from the State of Ohio's Department of Development Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program that assists Townships and Villages within the county to remove, repair, or secure defective, abandoned, deserted, or open and vacant buildings or other structures.

Anicca Woods – 5170 TR 115, Gibsonburg (Woodville Township) The zoning inspector sent them a letter to cease and desist operations of their festivals as they are in violation of the Township's zoning rules and regulations. They will need to apply for a conditional use permit to continue with their festivals.

**CEMETERY** – The fence on the West side of Westwood Cemetery was most likely snagged by farm equipment. Dean Silva from the county will be in soon to survey the property on the East side of the cemetery so the proper fencing can be put up without infringing on the new neighbor's property. When that is done, the fencing on both sides of the cemetery will be addressed.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT** – Jim Busdiecker reported that M&B Asphalt finished the paving of TR 115 and the road maintenance building parking lot this week. They also did patch work on TR 139 on the spot that was torn up by a farmer earlier this year. The Trustees thanked the workers for the outstanding work they did removing the asphalt from the parking lot in preparation for the paving project. The lot looks very, very good.

The water in the well was tested by the Health Department this week.

We will be needing 8" pipe to go from the road building to the ditch on SR 20, but we still need to secure a permit from ODOT to fill in the ditch.

The involved neighborhood on TR 14 have all agreed to pay their share and clean the ditch on that road.

Village of Woodville's Vegetation Site – Trustee Green attended the last Village Council Meeting and they do not see how a program to allow the township residents to use their site will work. The Trustees discussed possibly doing it on a trial basis at the road maintenance building for use by the residents of the unincorporated area only and for ticket holders only.

The Arborvitae trees in front of the fire station are dead and infested with bag worms, so workers were asked to remove the trees.

**FISCAL OFFICER** – Lori Kepus completed the township's board of projects for the Sandusky County Fair that will be on display in the County Engineer's Tent.

The annual required form to the Ohio Department of Taxation was sent reporting that the Township collected no lodging tax this year.

Trustee Hammer made a motion to approve the warrants. Trustee Green seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed. Trustee Green made a motion to approve the Trustee's August 3, 2022 regular meeting minutes. Trustee Runion seconded. All answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

At 8:17 pm, with no further business, Trustee Hammer moved for adjournment. Trustee Runion seconded. This meeting was held in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code's Sunshine Law.