

## THE WOODVILLE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S REGULAR MEETING – September 7, 2022

A regular meeting of the Woodville Township Trustees was held on September 7, 2022. Those in attendance: Trustees: Chairman Paul Runion, and Bill Hammer, Fiscal Officer Lori Kepus, Fire Chief Tim Schnitker, Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker, Zoning Inspector Steve Michaelis, Sandusky County Regional Planning Director John Willey (left at 8:29 pm), One Energy CEO Jereme Kent, Wade Weaver, Martin Marietta, members of the Black Swamp Bird Observatory, and several members of the community. The full list is on file. Trustee Ken Green was unable to attend due to his recent back surgery and has recused himself from the vote on the One Energy/Martin Marietta permit.

Chairman Paul Runion called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was held observing the COVID pandemic precautions including social distancing.

Trustee Hammer made a motion to approve the minutes from the Trustee's Public Hearing on August 18, 2022. Trustee Runion seconded. All present answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

**One Energy / Martin Marietta Zoning Permit** - The Trustees opened the meeting by listening to the audience members additional comments or concerns regarding this zoning change request. Trustee Runion stated that the Trustees held their public hearing on August 18 and had 20 days to make a decision on the matter and that date is today.

Trustee Runion listed what the Trustees felt were the pros and cons. Members of the Black Swamp Bird Observatory that were present were concerned and still requesting that One Energy release their environmental impact studies. One Energy stated that they comply with all state and federal laws. Don Bauman from the BSBO stated that energy companies may not be able to change laws, but they still have power over the consequences windmills will have on their environmental impact.

Trustee Runion stated that the Trustees just want to give as much protection to our residents as we can. If you want to change environmental regulations, you will need to contact your lawmakers. John Willey, Regional Planning, stated that if Martin Marietta was to purchase more land, it was of the understanding of the Zoning Commission that the Quarry District (Q-1) is more suitable for any further purchases of land and the Zoning Commission and Trustees have the authority for uses of land per ORC 519.02.

The Trustees reviewed the Township's Zoning Commission's proposed recommendations. After a few modifications and changes, including tower height, the tower access door location, the setback from an S-1 district, and the payment of any necessary safety equipment that may be required for this operation, Trustee Hammer made a motion to adopt **Resolution 2022-09** to amend the Woodville Township Zoning Rules and Regulations to add a section for the definition and requirements for the installation of Large Wind Energy Systems. Trustee Runion seconded. Roll call: Hammer, yes, Runion, yes, Green, absent. Motion passed. 2-0-1

At 8:10 pm, the zoning issue was resolved and most of the audience departed. Those remaining for the rest of the regular meeting included Chief Schnitker, Bill Andrews, Steve Michaelis, John Willey, Jim Busdiecker, Carl Schuh, Mike Young, Kevin Gast, Jamison Wegman, Bob Schroeder, Todd Atkin, Ben Brien, and James Brien.

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

- August was a rather slow month at the fire department with only 4 calls – 1 MVA and 3 cancelled calls while enroute and 4 training sessions, but members were busy with outside volunteer community activities representing the department at the Sandusky County Fair, Pemberville Parade, and a funeral.
- Chief Schnitker completed the required 2 hours of CEUs with the BWC for our worker's compensation program on August 30.
- The Trustees agreed to have the Timer on the Tornado Siren repaired by P&R in the amount of \$625.57. The siren will soon be sounding again at noon each and every day.
- The Trustees agreed to accept the quote from Northwood Door to provide regular Overhead Door Maintenance on the overhead doors and operators in the fire truck bay with labor at \$170 an hour.
- The Breathing Air Compressor system passed its annual test.
- X-4 passed its annual pump test last Friday.
- Spanners broke during the replacement of the valve on X-3 and were replaced by the company.
- The next American Red Cross Blood Drive is Friday, September 9 from noon to 5 p.m. at the fire station
- F&M Mechanical will be here Friday to remove the parts of the exhaust fan that needs new bearings. They have worked on the system before.
- The new MARCS radios were all reprogrammed today and we now have the correct channels in them. The overall Countywide MARCS Template update is being worked on by Chief Jackson, and he has stated he may have run into a snag on some of the channels we would like to put in the radios. Lucas County owns those channels in question and is potentially asking an outrageous price to allow them to be put in.

Chief Schnitker stated he has been Chief for six months and asked to be evaluated. The Trustees stated that he has been doing a great job and we are happy to have him as our Chief.

Trustee Hammer made a motion to auction the 2018 **Mercury Boat Motor on GovDeals**. Trustee Runion seconded. Roll call: Hammer, yes, Runion, yes, Green, absent. Motion passed. 2-0-1. The fees will remain as we have done in the past.

**EMS** – Trustee Hammer made a motion to purchase a Power Load Cot System from Stryker in the amount of \$26,461.40 for the new ambulance when it arrives. Trustee Runion seconded. Roll call: Hammer, yes, Runion, yes, Green, absent. Motion passed. 2-0-1.

Trustee Hammer continues to work with the county on the renewal agreement with the county for EMS services which expires at the end of this year.

**ZONING** – Zoning Inspector Steve Michaelis presented 5 approved zoning permits:

- Greg Hoodlebrink, 1256 Fort Findlay Road, Woodville, for a 16' round pool and 125' x 100' patio. The \$60 permit fee was paid.
- William Rowles, 1442 Fort Findlay Road, Woodville, for a 24' x 36' pole barn. The \$50 permit fee was paid.
- Dave Busdiecker, 680 Borcharding, Woodville, for a 12' x 16' shed for personal storage, recreation. The \$50 permit fee was paid.
- Ryan Moser, 2875 CR 24, Gibsonburg, for a 40' x 128' barn for agriculture. No fee, ag use. Needs to sign an ag use letter.
- Susan Fisher, 2421 CR 93, Gibsonburg, for a 25' x 16' garage addition. The \$50 permit fee was paid.

Discussed with Diana Zapata Eva, TR 165, Genoa on possible uses of her property and other zoning questions as she currently has the one-acre property for sale.

I've had numerous calls on the property for sale at 1483 SR 105, Woodville, regarding potential uses of that property. It was reported that this property has been sold.

I spoke with Ryan Moser, 2875 TR 14, concerning the junk and debris on his property, and Mr. Moser stated that some vehicles have been removed and he feels that what is left is all agriculture equipment. Hay is now stored in the barn. He said he uses the three utility trucks with boom arms to trim trees on the property, and he plans to get rid of two of them anyway.

**CEMETERY** – Workers cut down a dead flowering pear tree.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT** – Road Supervisor Jim Busdiecker reported:

- The manifold on the International truck is currently being replaced by Harrison Truck.
- The TR 42 crossover and catch basin are done. It took 40' of pipe.
- The recycling bin area needs to be revisited as the new blacktop around the area is taking a beating.

The Trustees signed an application for a drainage permit from ODOT to extend the driveway culvert at the road maintenance garage to SR 20 and install 8" tile to drain to a catch basin.

The Sandusky County Health Department sent the results of a water sample collected from the water supply at the road maintenance building site. The results fell within the current drinking water standards and this source is acceptable as a source of drinking water. No Coliform was detected. Matt Tille will be in next week to install the septic system.

**Village of Woodville's Vegetation Site** - The Village of Woodville sent a letter stating that their Environmental, Planning, and Community Development Committee met on August 15 to discuss the Township's request to allow township residents to use the village's vegetation site on Port Clinton Road for a fee. After an extensive discussion of the possibilities presented for use of the site, the committee found it difficult to support the township's use based on unknown variables including capacity issues, monetary management, and maintenance of the area in order to comply with EPA directives. On August 22, Village Council voted unanimously to deny the Township's request.

The Trustees decided that since this has been an ongoing, over one-and-a-half-year discussion and with repeated requests from township residents to have a place to dump brush they need to find a solution. The Township had offered to the village to help pay any additional costs, push stone for the site, help keep it clean, and at least try it on a trial basis. So, the Trustees agreed to try it on our own at our road garage. The Trustees will visit the site and come up with options as to the best location and ensure that we can keep the site monitored for misuse.

Trustee Hammer made a motion to send an invoice in the amount of \$1,000 to Steve Huss, 7184 CR 139, Woodville, for the contractor's charge, mobilization, material, machinery, and labor to repair the part of the road that was torn up by his tractor. Trustee Runion seconded. Roll call: Hammer, yes, Runion, yes, Green, absent. Motion passed. 2-0-1

The stop sign at the intersection of TR 28 and TR 165 was stolen September 5. It was found by the Clay Township Police as there was a sticker on the sign as being the property of Woodville Township. The situation is currently being investigated and believed to be the work of juveniles.

The final hearing for the Wolf Creek Ditch Petition Project was held on September 6 by the Joint Boards of the Sandusky and Ottawa County Commissioners. The petition was denied by a vote of the commissioners – 6 against – 0 in favor of the request.

Ben Brien questioned why the Trustees stopped loaning their equipment to the village. The Trustees stated they temporarily stopped loaning equipment due to the village not wanting to reciprocate on joint projects with the township in recent years. The Trustees stated they are always willing to sit down with the village council and discuss where we go with this unwritten agreement in the future.

Lori Kepus filed the 2023 Issue II joint application with the Sandusky County Engineer today.

**FISCAL OFFICER** – Lori Kepus presented the Trustees with the Township's **balanced bank reconciliation** for the month of August, and the updated Fund, Revenue, and Appropriation Status reports.

Below is the August financial report.

August Revenue Received	\$ 471,172.25
August Expenses Paid	\$ 53,133.88
Balance of all Funds as of 8/31/2022	\$ 2,885,819.62

The Township received the 2<sup>nd</sup> Half, 2022 Real Estate Collection. The total gross amount was \$411,904.83; \$9,072.66 was charged for tax collection fees bring the net distribution to \$402,832.17. Funds collected from the state included a rollback in the amount of \$39,487.96

Trustee Runion made a motion to approve the warrants. Trustee Hammer seconded. All present answered yes to roll call. Motion passed. Trustee Hammer made a motion to approve the Trustee's August 17, 2022 regular meeting minutes. Trustee Runion seconded. All present answered yes to roll call. Motion passed.

At 9:29 pm, with no further business, Trustee Runion moved for adjournment. Trustee Hammer seconded. This meeting was held in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code's Sunshine Law.