

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

December 20, 2023

Held

6:30 p.m.

The Washington Township Trustees met in regular session with Powell, Smith and Euler present. Chairman Euler presided. The guests in attendance were Jack Seger, Abigail Vollmar, Beth Vollmar, Anna Puffer, Roland Southard, Kirk Shank, Bill Gase, Chad Baranski and Isaac Puffer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

24429	Kirk Shank	\$294.75	24444	Bruce Harris	\$120.00	Voucher#247	Isaac Puffer	\$1,795.04
24430	Eric Palmer Exc	\$400.00	24445	Jeff Helberg	\$480.00	Voucher#248	David Smith	\$969.20
24431	Advance Auto	\$254.97	24446	Payton Kepling	\$105.00	Voucher#251	Village Togany	\$245.30
24432	Cindy Hofner	\$215.25	24447	Anthony Reinhart	\$405.00	Voucher#252	Edison	\$74.04
24433	Andy Moser	\$70.00	24448	Dustin Sautter	\$1,182.00	Voucher#254	Suburban	\$71.62
24434	Roland Southard	\$70.00	24449	Kade Schreiber	\$435.00	Voucher#255	Paramount	\$809.84
24435	Dan Henry	\$70.00	24450	Kirk Shank	\$2,769.00	Voucher#257	Fed Tax	\$1,192.24
24436	Craig Spoores	\$50.00	24451	Jason Shirkey	\$1,200.00	Voucher#258	School Tax	\$123.03
24437	Ann Lambdin	\$35.00	24452	Trey Yarger	\$30.00	Voucher#259	State Tax	\$244.92
24438	David Alvord	\$945.00	Voucher#240	Isaac Puffer	\$1,797.27	Voucher#260	OPERS	\$2,918.49
24439	Orville Buehrer	\$150.00	Voucher#241	Jason Shirkey	\$141.54	Voucher#261	Isaac Puffer	\$1,781.53
24440	Trevor Buehrer	\$540.00	Voucher#243	Chad Baranski	\$252.48	Voucher#263	Verizon	\$51.14
24441	Samuel Eiben	\$540.00	Voucher#244	Kristel Beyer	\$1,475.66	Voucher#264	Huntington	\$37.25
24442	Garret Euler	\$105.00	Voucher#245	Abel Euler	\$899.55	Voucher#265	Edison	\$72.74
24443	Bill Gase	\$2,796.00	Voucher#246	Steven Powell	\$970.29	Voucher#266	Village Togany	\$230.60

Roll Call: Powell – yes, Smith – yes, Euler - yes. Motion approved. The Audit Committee approved the bank statements and financial reports for November, 2023.

Bill stated we received the Grass Truck and it is now down in Findlay getting the skid unit installed. He asked them for a quote to install a spray nozzle and a lighting package. Powell moved to approve up to \$15,000 towards installing lighting and spray nozzle, seconded by Smith. Roll Call: Smith – yes, Powell – yes, Euler – yes. Motion Approved. Bill talked with the firefighters on how to increase attendance mostly at trainings, one of the things mentioned was getting an increase on pay. Bill suggested to pay the firefighters per hour of training rather than per training. Smith asked required hours, Bill stated firefighters 54 hours in 3 years, first responder 40 hours in 3 years and EMT 56 hours in 3 years. After discussion, Euler made a motion to start paying the fireman hourly for their trainings, seconded by Powell. Roll Call: Powell – yes, Euler – yes, Smith – yes. Motion Approved. Powell said since he is a trustee, he does not get paid for the fireman trainings/runs. Bill said Orville Buehrer submitted his resignation, he has been a fire fighter for 72 ½ years and he will be done 12/31/2023. Sam Eiben also handed in his resignation on Monday. Bill asked Jesse Lambdin and Payton Kepling to resign for no attendance. The roster is down to 13, Bill is comfortable with this number because these are all active firefighters. Bill wants to start a joint training group with Grand Rapids and Weston and they will probably do an auto aid agreement. The county does not allow auto aid on accidents or ems calls only fires. Powell stated the old SCBA equipment is sold.

Roland thanked the township for their participation with leaves, he had no complaints. Roland stated they approved Lot 2 to install a fence. Roland stated Lot 2 is a newer build and has a 12 inch corrugated culvert under the drive, Lot 3 was built several years ago and they have an 8 inch culvert under their drive, we were trying to get them tied together and add grass to make it look nice. The County came out and stated lot 2 is per code and lot 3 is not per code and did not get a permit to do it, so they will not allow us to connect. Roland said Lot 79 driveway is too high for water to go over when it rains and Lot 78 did not fill in the sink hole as requested. Powell said to contact the engineer and they will need a right a way permit from the township. Isaac said a new build on Coach House Loop put in a culvert and nobody got a right a way permit from the township. Roland said this spring NWWSD will be doing a project on the sewer lift station, this could be a two week shut down of back bay road. Roland said the annual Williamsburg HOA meeting is January 28, 2024 at 7pm at Otsego Park. Roland talked with DanBerry and they will not be doing Plot 2 in 2024. Euler mentioned that he talked with Mike Davis on Lot 79 that the culvert under the driveway would be his responsibility and that the township would be interested in a cost share for the retainment area.

Isaac will follow up on the culvert with no permit with the county. Isaac said the wires we have been discussing at Otsego Cemetery, he saw a tree trimmer for the electric company and he mentioned that he is trimming the trees for new construction for replacing the poles. Isaac did not receive a call from Edison on this but it sounds like something will be done. Isaac said he packed berm in on the edges of roads and the trucks are ready for snow. The Western Star has a radiator leak, but thinks it will be covered under warranty. Isaac said all foundations are installed, we have none outstanding. Powell asked how we did the last foundations, Isaac said we had Eric Palmer excavate them and had Palmer Brothers come out with a truck of concrete and he wheeled barrowed them. Smith said we noticed some big headstones laying, Isaac will try to research for a resolution when he has time. Isaac had to replace a railroad crossing sign and he will order more for backup. Isaac stated the signs at the cemeteries need updated with new phone number, trustees suggested getting a sticker to cover old number. Euler stated we should discuss roads. Isaac said we regraded Tyler Road and should get us through the winter, there is a small section on Tuller Road by 235 that has been needing work. Smith said use the grader and add stone to it. Isaac said Green Road by 582 to Cross Creek. Smith thinks we could widen that road without tearing out the base. Powell said if we widen it we should probably do that over a three year period. Smith said Long Judson from 235 to Rangeline, Isaac agreed and by Sunseed. Isaac said we have discussed Scott Road between 235 and Cross Creek, he suggested sealing it, Euler said possible chip seal.

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Powell asked if we went and did a final road mowing after harvest, Isaac said most got taken care of by the farmers. Powell said we had Rod Lucas mow behind the small ball diamond. Dan thinks he can use the xmark to keep up on it.

Chad did fence permit for 2 old coach. Smith received a call from Tom Grey and asked about structure going up in lady glen, Chad did not give a permit, he will research temporary structure and go check it out. Smith gave Tom Chads number so he could give to his neighbor and he could contact him. Powell said Cindy is ready for us to discuss zoning changes in the new year. Euler asked Josh Keifer about board commission, hasn't heard back.

Powell gave financial. Powell said as of December 1<sup>st</sup> we earned \$14,001 in Star Ohio. Powell asked about stretch of crick on Scott Road. Smith will keep trying to get ahold of Jeff Scott.

Fiscal Officer stated we need to amend our appropriations to include the FEMA Grant money we received. Powell made a motion to amend the 2023 appropriations to include the FEMA Grant totaling \$151,500 in the fire levy fund, seconded by Smith. Roll Call: Euler – yes, Powell – yes, Smith – yes. Motion Approved. Fiscal Officer presented the 2024 permanent appropriations to the trustees. After review, Smith made a motion to approve the 2024 permanent appropriations, seconded by Powell. Roll Call: Powell – yes, Smith – yes, Euler – yes. Motion Approved.

Euler asked what roads do we want to submit to the county. Trustees discussed Green Road from 582 to Cross Creek, getting an estimate for just paving and then also with widening, Long Judson from 235 to Rangeline and Tyler Road.

Euler talked with Maryann Tussing about the drainage on Tontogany Road and explained to her we need an engineered water study to be able to proceed, she sent an email requesting information and he explained to her we do not have any of the information. Euler said the water study was requested back in March. Euler said Zach Starver gave us a quote for \$9,000 for the concrete work on Tontogany Creek Road. Powell made a motion to approve the concrete work to be completed on Tontogany Creek by Starver & Sons Construction for \$9,000, seconded by Smith. Roll Call: Smith – yes, Euler – yes, Powell – yes. Motion Approved.

Powell stated we had a question about old zoning regulations. Cindy found a request for old zoning regulations and Powell stated it would be good record retention to keep a copy of the old zoning regulations for our records. Powell stated him and Cindy discussed the Issue II new marijuana issue, we are addressing this and will continue to work on the marijuana cultivating and selling.

Trustees scheduled the year end organizational meeting on Dec. 29, 2023 at 9 am.

Because of no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

St. Powell  
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Approved by: Kristal Beyer