

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SANDUSKY TOWNSHIP
SANDUSKY COUNTY, OHIO**

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING of October 5, 2021

The Trustees of Sandusky Township met in regular session at Sandusky Township Hall at 6:00 p.m., with the following members present:

Mr. Paul Lotycz

Mr. Mike Willis

Mr. Mike Willis made motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - absent, Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - yes.

Mr. Paul Lotycz made motion to accept and pay the bills. Mr. Mike Willis seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - absent, Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - yes.

Ms. Zienta reported the following Revenue and Expenditures:

	9-22-2021 through 10-5-2021	Year to Date
Revenue	19,740.59	1,106,830.79
Expenditures	38,823.20	967,408.11

Trustees reviewed Management Reports.

Trustees reviewed the Credit Card Transaction Detail.

Mrs. Julie Hasselbach, Sprouse Insurance, attended meeting to discuss the upcoming health insurance renewal policy. The plan was quoted with a few other companies. Mrs. Hasselbach explained the current policy will increase 20.11%.

Trustees reviewed the enrollment detail and rates. With Mr. Michael removed from the policy, the current premium will only be \$5,000 more a year with the 20.11% increase.

Mr. Mike Willis made motion to continue with current health insurance policy with Medical Mutual. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - absent, Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - yes.

Zoning Inspector Brian Woods has stopped out to the prior Christy home on Christy Road two times and cannot get anyone to answer the door. Mr. Woods has talked with the owner two times on the phone and explained to her that she put up a fence in the front yard without a permit. She wanted to apply for the permit but Mr. Woods explained according to the Zoning Resolution, fences placed in front of the property can only be 4 feet high or less and the fence she installed is 6 feet high. Mr. Woods will send a violation notice.

It was noted Jon Horn has installed a fence at his property on Port Clinton Road. Mr. Woods will contact Mr. Horn as no permit was issued to him.

Trustees and Mr. Woods discussed the fire at the Artz property on St. Rt. 19. Before Mr. Artz puts up another barn, the property needs to be cleaned up. Mr. Mike Willis noted the EPA, County Health Department, EMA and the State of Ohio have all contacted Mr. Artz following the fire.

Mr. Bruce Shank filed a complaint with Mr. Paul Lotycz regarding the Havens, Pescador and Serrick properties on Port Clinton Road.

The Havens Property - Mr. Shank states there is tree house at 2512 Port Clinton Road. Ms. Zienta stated the high grass has been mowed today at 2512 Port Clinton Road.

The Pescador Property - Mr. Woods is currently working on taking the Pescador property through the county Land Bank. Road Superintendent Brent Saionz has mowed it twice this season. Trustees asked Mr. Saionz to mow it one more time.

Serrick Property - Mr. Shank states animals are coming out of the property. Mr. Woods will look into the Serrick property for the Land Bank.

Regarding the Lopez property on St. Thomas Drive, Ms. Katherine Lopez is contacting Mr. Woods bi-weekly on the progress of repairs. The trees were cut last week and should be finished this week. The roof is scheduled for repair. They are trying to correct the problems.

Ms. Cyndi Zienta asked Mr. Woods about the zoning receipts. She has not received any zoning receipts since June 2021. Mr. Woods was unsure how to turn the receipts in. Ms. Zienta explained the process again to him and provided a form for him to use.

Mr. Mike Willis has some concerns about political signs being placed in the right-of-way. His opponent is putting signs in the right-of-way. Mr. Willis contacted County Commissioner Scott Miller and was informed you cannot put signs in the right-of-way and the Zoning Inspector is allowed to remove them. Mr. Willis instructed Zoning Inspector Brian Woods to remove any signs placed in the right-of-way and place them at the township hall for him to pick-up.

A sign was placed at the corner of Rawson and North Street on the Hirt property. Mr. Willis contacted Mr. Kurt Hirt and asked if the person asked permission to place the sign there. He had not, so Mr. Hirt removed the sign.

Fire Chief Dean Schneider reported the following;

- September fire calls - 16 which included lift assist, car crashes and investigating structure fires.

Fire Chief Schneider discussed the fire at the Artz property on St. Rt. 19. Six other departments were there for mutual aid. Gallons of water used was 300,000 to 350,000 gallons. The department was called back multiple times on Tuesday to put out rekindle fires. The biggest issue trying to get it extinguished was all the material in the barn.

Mr. Artz did not have any insurance on the property.

The last call on Tuesday night that came in - everyone was exhausted. Mr. Schneider called EMA Director Lisa Kuehling and asked if there was any money available to get an excavator on the property to move the material around to get it extinguished. Mrs. Kuehling did not have anything available. She did call the next morning and stated she found some funding and had rented an excavator and operator to help.

Mr. Schneider stated that Trustee Mike Willis had brought his mini excavator to the scene on Monday night to help with the extinguishing the fire. He then brought his mini excavator back on Wednesday to bury the perished animals. Mr. Schneider asked Director Kuehling if Mr. Willis could get paid for his time using his excavator. Director Kuehling informed Chief Schneider that she did not receive a request beforehand and did not approve it.

Chief Schneider asked if the Trustees could pay Mr. Willis for his time using his mini excavator. Ms. Cyndi Zienta stated that Mr. Willis is an elected Trustee and therefore cannot receive any compensation from the township other than his salary.

Mr. Schneider will talk to the County Prosecutor and the Ohio Ethics Board about EMA compensating Mr. Willis.

Mr. Schneider will have the vehicles decontaminated and cleaned from the fire debris.

The Fire Department will have an ISO inspection tomorrow. The equipment and records will be reviewed.

Road Superintendent Brent Saionz provided the following update:

- Spent time working at the township hall
- Order grinding tips for the mill head from Bay Tractor. Cost - \$1,200.00
- Called Tiffin John Deere to perform warranty repair on the new tractor. It has been leaking since it was received and Bay Tractor has not fixed it yet.
- Put wraps around all the trees at the park. The pipe did not work.

Mr. Lotycz asked Mr. Saionz to cut back the tree limbs hanging on Tr 211.

Mr. Mike Willis moved to adopt the following Resolution No 2021-10.1, Declaring property no longer useful for township purposes and allowing the sale to another political subdivision of the State of Ohio. Authorizing the sale of the 2002 New Holland TS 110 2wd tractor, serial number 184680B for no more than the amount of \$22,000. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - absent, Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - yes.

Mr. Mike Willis talked with Attorney Jim Barney regarding the Artz property. Trustees will need to stay on top of the clean-up process.

Mr. Lotycz received a complaint from Mr. Michael Federico. He stated his neighbor at 2212 Birchard Avenue has marijuana plants. Mr. Federico contacted the sheriff's department. The Drug Task Force is looking into it.


The memorial stone for Jerry Preston has been received.

Mr. Lotycz stated John Albers is finalizing the JEDD and should be done this week. Mr. Lotycz stated there is a place for the Fiscal Officer to sign. Ms. Zienta stated she has not seen the document at all, doesn't know where they are proposing a JEDD and will not sign until she is able to review it. Mr. Lotycz will email a copy of the JEDD to Ms. Zienta.

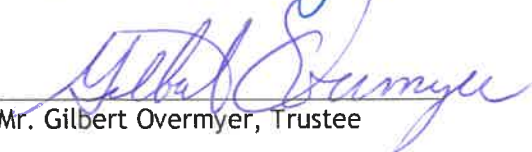
Mr. Mike Willis made motion to approve a Supplemental Appropriation of \$56,400.00 to Account Number 1000-110-221-0000 - Medical and Hospitalization. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - absent, Mr. Lotycz - yes, Mr. Willis - yes.

At 7:26 p.m. with there being no further Business to come before the Board of Trustees, Mr. Willis made motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Lotycz.


Mr. Paul Lotycz, Chairman


Ms. Cynthia Zienta, Fiscal Officer


Mr. Mike Willis, Trustee


Mr. Gilbert Overmyer, Trustee