

The Board of Lake Township Trustees met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. at 12360 Market Avenue North, Hartville, Ohio. The meeting was open to limited public access and streamed live via Facebook with the following members present:

John Arnold, President  
Jeremy Yoder, Vice President

Also Present:

Matthew Erb	Sam Miller
Derek Shaffer	Vince Harris

John Arnold called the regular meeting to order.

21-050 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving the Minutes of the January 11, 2021 as submitted. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

21-051 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing payment and processing of payroll for January 29, 2021. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

21-052 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing payment and processing of payroll for February 5, 2021. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

21-053 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving Financial (Fund/Appropriation/Revenue Status and Cash Summary by Fund) Reports as of January 25, 2021 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

21-054 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing all EXPENDITURES as of January 25, 2021 in the amount of \$194,702.25 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

- The Board noted that this amount included a \$146,213.39 T.I.F. payment for the widening of St. Rt. 619. There are 2 payments a year.

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. U.S. Census Bureau – 2021 Boundary and Annexation Survey
2. Stark County Township Association – forwarded information from Stark County Health Department regarding Phase 1B vaccination registration
3. NEFCO – January 20, 2021 Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board
4. Ohio Township Association – legislative alerts and information
5. Quest Diagnostics Incorporated – information regarding testing statistics for Q4 2020 testing
6. Stark County Commissioners – notice of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 public hearing for the petition to vacate alley adjacent to Stark County Permanent Parcel No. 2000437
7. Ford Motor Company – safety recall reminder for 2016 Police Interceptor UTL vehicle regarding rear suspension toe link replacement
8. Kimberly Allinson – procedural question
9. Stark County Health Department – 3782 Edison Street NW aeration discharge line
10. Stark County Auditor – copy of correspondence regarding Bishopsgate property

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Police Department**

- None

**Road Department**

- None

**Zoning Department**

- None

**Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office**

- None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- None

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

21-055 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to execute the following:

- D-21-02: Dominion Energy – 11539 William Penn Ave. (replace service line)

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

21-056 A resolution was made by John Arnold reappointing Timothy Muckley as a member of the Lake Township Zoning Commission, whose term expired January 23, 2021. Said appointment shall commence immediately and shall continue through January 25, 2026. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

21-057 A resolution was made by John Arnold reappointing Denise Ballinger as a member of the Lake Township Board of Zoning Appeals, whose term expired December 14, 2020. Said appointment shall commence immediately and shall continue through January 25, 2026. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

- Trustee Yoder thanked Timothy and Denise for their work with the zoning department.

21-058 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting and executing the 2021 Police Dispatching Service Agreement with Nimishillen Township Board of Trustees for police dispatching services from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 at a price of \$2,375.00 per month. The Board acknowledges that there is no increase in price or change in terms from the 2020 Agreement. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

21-059 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board to execute the Ohio Department of Transportation 2020 annual Township Highway System Milage Certification sheet indicating 140.148 miles of roadway. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

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21-060 A resolution was made by John Arnold cancelling the in-person meeting for the annual review of the Lake Township/Village of Hartville Disaster Control Guide; which meeting is provided for pursuant to Resolution No. 97-095. The Board further resolves that the annual confirmation of emergency phone numbers will still take place prior to February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Any updates to phone numbers, as well as any other necessary updates, will be forwarded to the appropriate departments/individuals. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

21-061 Trustee Arnold moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, R.C. 5533.045 authorizes the Board of Trustees to approve and submit a petition to vacate with the County Commissioners with respect to any segment of road which is not used by and not maintained for the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees approved a petition to vacate on December 28, 2020 under Resolution No. 20-455; and

**WHEREAS**, it has since been determined that said petition approved and signed under Resolution No. 20-455 incorrectly referenced R.C. 5554.043, when it should have referenced R.C. 5553.043.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is hereby Resolved as follows:

That the Board of Trustees hereby approves and adopts the Amended Petition to Vacate a segment of unnamed alleyway adjacent to Stark County Permanent Parcel No. 2000437 in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

21-062 Trustee Arnold moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Stark County Commissioners and the Board of Trustees of Lake Township, Stark County, Ohio previously entered into a Subgrant Agreement pursuant to Resolution No. 20-439 adopted December 14, 2020, and wish to amend that Agreement, as follows:

**Article IV -- EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE SUBGRANT**

A. The Subgrant Agreement, as amended, shall now be in effect from March 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021

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**Article V -- AMOUNT OF GRANTS/PAYMENTS**

- E. Period of Availability of Funds/Financial Assistance: All obligations incurred under this award, as amended, must be liquidated no later than December 31, 2021, and otherwise as required by federal, state and local laws.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Lake Township Board of Trustees accepts the “Amendment to the Subgrant Agreement” as provided for by the Board of Stark County Commissioners and authorizes the President of the Board to execute said Agreement.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

21-063 Trustee Arnold moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, The Lake Township Board of Trustees previously adopted Resolution No. 20-456 which provided approval of certain Subgrant Agreements for expenditures from Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act Funding. Said approval was contingent upon a fully executed Subgrant Agreement between the Lake Township Trustees and the Board of Stark County Commissioners as authorized under Resolution No. 20-439 and upon successful approval for full funding, in an amount not to exceed \$74,094.00 under said Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to an Act of Congress (H.R.133), signed into law December 27, 2020 and pursuant to Ohio Senate Bill 310, signed into law December 29, 2020, the Board of Stark County Commissioners and the Lake Township Board of Trustees have since amended said Subgrant Agreement to reflect a change to the effective date of the Agreement and the period of Availability of Funds/Financial Assistance.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Lake Township Board of Trustees recognize that these changes affect a portion of what was previously approved under Resolution No. 20-456 and wish to amend said Resolution to allow for the following:

- Extend the deadline for the distribution of funds and/or delivery of COVID related items requested under the Subgrant Agreements, contingently approved under Resolution No. 20-456 from December 31, 2020 to December 31, 2021. All other provisions of the Resolution and the Subgrant Agreements, including the receipts submitted for reimbursement or requests submitted for purchase(s) shall remain as previously adopted and approved.

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A copy of this Resolution shall be attached to and made part of the each Subgrant Agreement referenced to in Resolution No. 20-456. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold      yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

21-064 Trustee Arnold moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a request has been made to this Board that the statutory vehicular speed limit established by Sec. 4511.21, Revised Code of Ohio is greater than that considered reasonable and safe on **Hoover Avenue (TR-64)** between Midway Street (TR-83) and Lake Center Street (TR-84); and

WHEREAS, this Board has caused to be made an engineering and traffic investigation upon the section of road described above; and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of this Board that such investigation confirms the allegation that the statutory speed limit of **55 mph** is unreasonable;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Lake Township, Stark County, Ohio that:

Section 1. By virtue of the provisions of Sec. 4511.21, Revised Code of Ohio the Director of Transportation is hereby requested to review the engineering and traffic investigation, and to determine and declare a reasonable and safe prima facie speed limit on **Hoover Avenue (TR-64)** between Midway Street (TR-83) and Lake Center Street (TR-84), in Lake Township, Stark County, Ohio

Section 2. That when this Board is advised that the Direction of Transportation has determined and declared a reasonable and safe speed limit on the section of road described in Section 1 hereof, standard signs, properly posted and giving notice thereof will be erected.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold      yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

21-065 Trustee Arnold moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a request has been made to this Board that the statutory vehicular speed limit established by Sec. 4511.21, Revised Code of Ohio is greater than that considered reasonable and safe on **Wolf Avenue (TR-500)** between Nimishillen Church Street (TR-48) and Smith Kramer Street (CR-57); and

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WHEREAS, this Board has caused to be made an engineering and traffic investigation upon the section of road described above; and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of this Board that such investigation confirms the allegation that the statutory speed limit of **40 mph** is unreasonable;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Lake Township, Stark County, Ohio that:

Section 1. By virtue of the provisions of Sec. 4511.21, Revised Code of Ohio the Director of Transportation is hereby requested to review the engineering and traffic investigation, and to determine and declare a reasonable and safe prima facie speed limit on ***Wolf Avenue (TR-500)*** between Nimishillen Church Street (TR-48) and Smith Kramer Street (CR-57), in Lake Township, Stark County, Ohio

Section 2. That when this Board is advised that the Direction of Transportation has determined and declared a reasonable and safe speed limit on the section of road described in Section 1 hereof, standard signs, properly posted and giving notice thereof will be erected.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

21-066 Trustee Arnold moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a request has been made to this Board that the statutory vehicular speed limit established by Sec. 4511.21, Revised Code of Ohio is greater than that considered reasonable and safe on **Midway Street (TR-83)** between 0.58 miles east of Bellhaven Avenue (TR-83) and Coblentz Avenue (TR-91); and

WHEREAS, this Board has caused to be made an engineering and traffic investigation upon the section of road described above; and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of this Board that such investigation confirms the allegation that the statutory speed limit of **55 mph** is unreasonable;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Lake Township, Stark County, Ohio that:

Section 1. By virtue of the provisions of Sec. 4511.21, Revised Code of Ohio the Director of Transportation is hereby requested to review the engineering and traffic investigation, and to determine and declare a reasonable and safe prima facie speed

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limit on **Midway Street (TR-83)** between 0.58 miles east of Bellhaven Avenue (TR-83) and Coblentz Avenue (TR-91), in Lake Township, Stark County, Ohio

Section 2. That when this Board is advised that the Direction of Transportation has determined and declared a reasonable and safe speed limit on the section of road described in Section 1 hereof, standard signs, properly posted and giving notice thereof will be erected.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

- The Board noted that these requests were made by local residents.

### **MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS**

- None

### **FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

21-067 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to sign all Purchase Orders, Vouchers, and Reconciliations. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

### **PUBLIC SPEAKS**

*Robert Wise, submitted by email on January 12, 2021:* Mr. Wise asked the Board if a management/efficacy audit of the Lake Township Road Department has ever been done by a professional disinterested third party? If so, can that information be made available? If not, he feels there would be merit in conducting such an audit for the sake of efficient utilization of taxpayer funds.

Trustee Arnold responded that other road departments come to us to find out how we operate as efficiently as we do. The Road Superintendent attends the Ohio Township Association winter conference where there are training sessions that address efficiency. Often at these training sessions Lake Township Road Department is used as an example. He feels we have one of the top Road Superintendents in the state of Ohio and he has full confidence in what he is doing.

Trustee Yoder responded that if felt there were issues that would be something to look into, but he thinks the Road Superintendent runs a great program, accomplishing a lot with the number of individuals we have on staff. The cost of an audit would not be justified.

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- There will be no public speaks through the Facebook Live streaming; however, the Trustees still welcome your “public speaks” comments to be emailed to [info@laketwpstarkco.com](mailto:info@laketwpstarkco.com)

21-068 A resolution was made by John Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 5:19 p.m.  
Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

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Matthew Erb, Fiscal Officer

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John Arnold, President

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Jeremy Yoder, Vice President

- Absent -

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Steve Miller, Member

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