

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
Steve Miller, Member

Also Present:

Matthew Erb
Vince Harris

Sam Miller

John Arnold called the regular meeting to order.

21-083 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving the Minutes of the February 8, 2021 as submitted. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
Jeremy Yoder yes
Steve Miller yes

21-084 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing payment and processing of payroll for February 26, 2021. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
Jeremy Yoder yes
Steve Miller yes

21-085 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing payment and processing of payroll for March 5, 2021. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
Jeremy Yoder yes
Steve Miller yes

21-086 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving Financial (Fund/Appropriation/ Revenue Status and Cash Summary by Fund) Reports as of February 22, 2021 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
Jeremy Yoder yes
Steve Miller yes

21-087 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing all EXPENDITURES as of February 22, 2021 in the amount of \$203,099.03, 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
Steve Miller	yes

- The Board noted that approximately \$88,000.00 was to Warren Fire Equipment for turnout gear for the fire departments through the CARES Act.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Ohio Department of Administrative Services – Cooperative Purchasing Program new contract and amendment updates
2. VerticalBridge – cash payment offer in exchange for an easement under cell tower located at 12360 Market Avenue
3. Stark County Commissioners – inquiry as to who is 2021 SCOG representative from Lake Township
4. The Huntington National Bank – update to account agreement
5. Stark County Regional Planning Commission – copy of correspondence regarding Thermtrol; information and GIS Presentation
6. FirstEnergyCorp – FirstEnergy Utilities preparing for powerful winter storm
7. Ohio Township Association – legislative alert
8. Stark Soil & Water Conservation District – notice of new position for Sarah Matheny as Storm Water Manager for Stark SWCD
9. Robert Wise – public records request for Road Department work orders, including regular, sign and street name signs plus budgets for the years 2017-2020 including budgeted amounts and actual amounts spent for each department for each year
10. Ian Palinkas – thanking trustees for letting him share his Eagle Scout Project at the meeting
11. Stark County Health Department – reminder of Stark County Combined General Health District “District Advisory Council Annual Meeting” on March 4th
12. Northeast Ohio Four County Regional Planning & Development Organization – Tentative Agenda for the “Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board” on February 17th, 2021
13. Testa Enterprises – apprise our office that Testa Enterprises, Inc. is proposing development of Villas at Windham Bridge II, a new construction apartment community
14. Ohio Department of Taxation – Final Determination notice that our application for exemption of real property from taxation has been approved for Parcel Nos. 2015199 and 1905351

- In Reference to Correspondence No. 10 - A nice thankyou note from Ian Palinkas thanking the Board for their time. They are excited to see his Eagle Scout Project. They are good causes to help

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department

- None

Road Department

- None

Zoning Department

- None

Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office

- None

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

21-088 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to execute the following Road Open Permits:

- D-21-06: Dominion Energy – 13304 Carnation Ave. (new short side service line)
- D-21-07: Dominion Energy – 3027 Lee Street (new short side service line)
- D-21-08: Dominion Energy – 3029 Lee Street (new short side service line)

Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

21-089 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to execute the following Cemetery Deeds:

- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 2A, Lot 78, Graves 4 & 5
- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 2A, Lot 78, Grave 3
- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 2A, Lot 78, Grave 2
- Uniontown Greenlawn – Section M, Lot 102, Grave 1
- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 3, Lot 106, Grave 1

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

21-090 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing a 5% pay increase for all full-time non-bargaining employees, effective immediately and retroactive to January 1, 2021.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

- The Board noted that they discussed this during the executive session at the last meeting, no action was taken at that time so further information could be gathered. They noted that they bargain with the collective bargaining employees and their raises have been at a higher rate than the non-bargaining employees. Traditionally the non-bargaining employees have received a 2% raise, but the union employees have outpaced them for a long period of time. They are an efficient working group and have been able to get things done during these challenging times. They are doing a great job.

21-091 A resolution was made by John Arnold increasing the hourly rate for Group “A” auxiliary road employees (individuals with Commercial Drivers’ License) to \$18.00 per hour and Group “B” auxiliary road employees to \$14.00 per hour, effective immediately. The Board further resolves that any existing auxiliary employees, who currently fall within these two groups, have their pay increased accordingly and effective immediately. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

- The Board noted that those rates have not been adjusted in a long.

21-092 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing correspondence be forwarded to the Ohio Department of Transportation for Lake Township's intent to purchase a 2021 Mack Granite Single Axle Cab and Chassis under ODOT contract #023-21. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

- The Board noted that part of the program requires when you make a purchase that you run it buy them to be sure it falls within the context of what is allowed.

21-093 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting the 01.28.2021 Proposal from R.W. Sidley Inc. and authorizing an expenditure, for the road department, in the amount of \$109,362.00 for the purchase of a 2021 MACK Granite Cab & Chassis, with extended warranty, as detailed in said Proposal. Said purchase is through the Ohio Department of Transportation Cooperative Purchasing Program and is contingent upon receipt of purchasing authorization from the Ohio Department of Transportation. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

21-094 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting the 01.28.2021 Quote No. 73382 (Ohio Department of Administrative Services STS Index No. STS515 / Schedule No. 800860) from Concord Road Equipment, MFG. to replace the central hydraulic system on the township's 2020 Mack Granite snow and ice control dump truck (Unit 719). The Board further resolves to authorize an expenditure in the amount of \$45,953.65, for the road department, for said repairs in accordance with and as detailed in said quote. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

21-095 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing staff to move forward with obtaining quotes for the items necessary to begin the process for privatizing the Lake Township Yard Waste Facility. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

- The Board noted that this is to find out what the true cost would be to privatize the yard waste program. They explained that the program has been funded through a grant program from the Joint Solid Waste District, with all excess costs coming from the township's

general funds. By accepting these funds, we must make the program available to the entire district, not just the township. We had a tremendous amount of yard waste last year; it far exceeded the capacity it was built for. Privatizing the program should offer a better service to the township residents. The fee would be nominal compared what it would cost to dump it elsewhere. The hope is we will still be able to open the program in early April. The surrounding townships have already done this, and we are borrowing a lot of what they are doing and has been successful for them.

MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS

- Trustee Arnold attended a land bank meeting this morning. At this time, it is not impactful to the township.

FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT

21-096 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to sign all Purchase Orders, Vouchers, and Reconciliations. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

PUBLIC SPEAKS

- 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

21-097 A resolution was made by John Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 5:16 p.m.
Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

Matthew Erb, Fiscal Officer

John Arnold, President

Jeremy Yoder, Vice President

Steve Miller, Member
