The Board of Lake Township Trustees met at 4:45 p.m. at 12360 Market Avenue North, Hartville, Ohio for the purpose of conducting a Public Hearing for Zoning Amendment No. 22-247, with the regular session to follow at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was open to the public and streamed live via Facebook with the following members present:

Jeremy Yoder, President Steve Miller, Vice President John Arnold, Member

Also Present:

Matt Erb Derek Shaffer Peter Denissoff Sam Miller Stephen Denissoff

Jeremy Yoder called the Public Hearing to order at 4:45 p.m. and stated the purpose of the hearing is for a proposed rezone of one (1) tract of land, approximately 4.18 acres, located on the west side of Cleveland Avenue and south of Dotwood Street in the NE ¼ Section 30, Lake Township, from R-1 Low Density Residential/C-1 Light Commercial to R-1 Low Density Residential/C-1 Light Commercial. Mr. Yoder stated this property is split zone, almost 50/50. The front facing Cleveland Ave is zoned commercial. The proposal is to change that ratio to approximately 75/25, increasing the size of the commercial area from about 2 acres to about 3 acres. Any commercial zoning must maintain a 50'buffer.

Mr. Miller stated that they have received very little feedback from residents and noted the Cleveland Ave corridor is our townships best bet for commercial growth. He supports the rezone and does not see any impact to the surrounding residents. Mr. Arnold also supports the rezone. The Board noted Stark County Regional Planning and the Lake Township Zoning Commission recommended approval of Zoning Amendment No. 22-247.

#### **PUBLIC SPEAKS**

- None
- 22-384 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder approving the zoning change as recommended by the Lake Township Zoning Commission and the Stark County Regional Planning Commission for Zoning Amendment No. 22-247 (Peter Denissoff/Denissoff Properties, LLC). Map Change proposed rezone of one (1) tract of land, approximately 4.18 acres, located on the west side of Cleveland Avenue and south of Dotwood Street in the NE ½ Section 30, Lake Township, from R-1 Low Density Residential/C-1 Light Commercial to R-1 Low Density Residential/C-1 Light Commercial. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

22-385 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder to adjourn the public hearing a 4:54 p.m. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

Jermey Yoder called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

22-386 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder approving the minutes of the December 12, 2022 Regular Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

22-387 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder authorizing payment and processing of payroll for December 30, 2022. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

22-388 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder authorizing payment and processing of payroll for January 6, 2023. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder approving Financial (Fund/Appropriation/ Revenue Status and Cash Summary by Fund) Reports as of December 27, 2022 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

> Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

22-390 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder authorizing all EXPENDITURES as of December 27, 2022 in the amount of \$164,060.16 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

• The Bord noted that approximately \$85,000.00 is a payment for the new restrooms at the Lake Township Park. Trustee Miller noted it should be completed in 4-6 weeks.

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#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- 1. Stark County Sanitary Engineer's Office notification of upcoming Project P-620 waterline extension for various areas of Lake Township; notification of preconstruction meeting for Project P-617A collection system repairs phase II
- 2. Roberta Lesser question whether a specific item is acceptable at the spring cleanup
- 3. Evan Veldhuizen inquiry about yard waste drop off facility
- 4. Carolee Dasher request for a special meeting
- 5. Trileaf owner questionnaire for property located at 12360 Market Avenue North
- 6. Ohio Department of Administrative Services weekly report of contracts and amendments; Quarterly Usage Report reminder
- 7. Plain Township questions about land use zoning designations for certain parcels on north side of Mt. Pleasant
- 8. Stark County Commissioners notice of Stark County Commissioners Support of Liquor Permit Objections for 2023
- 9. Steven Espenschied c/o Lake Township Historical Society museum expansion and possible use of ARPA Funds
- 10. NEFCO Planning December 21<sup>st</sup> meeting packet
- 11. Directing Administrator National Opioid Settlements Payment Year 1 Allocation Notice for Ohio and its Subdivisions
- 12. Ohio EMA Disaster Recovery Branch audit certification to be completed and returned
- 13. Stark County Transportation Improvement District notice of cancellation of January 9<sup>th</sup> meeting; December 12<sup>th</sup> meeting packet
- 14. Stark County Regional Planning Commission copy of correspondence to Hammontree & Associates regarding Congress Lake Club/Patio Expansion; RPC Nominating Committee Meeting Minutes
- 15. U.S. Department of Commerce U.S. Census Bureau due date reminder for the 2022 Census of Governments, Survey of Local Government Finances
- 16. Diane Davis concerns over neighbors putting grass clippings and dog feces into stormwater system
- 17. Community CUE-COG Membership Resolutions sample resolutions and appointment letter
- 18. Stark County Township Association Winter Storm Warning Update
- 19. FirstEnergy utilities prepared for winter storm
- 20. FEMA PA Notification / deadline to submit project applications
- 21. Stark County Engineer's Office forward Commissioners Resolution for Seasonal Weight Restrictions
- 22. Ohio Township Association reminder to register for 2023 Winter Conference
- 23. Division on Addictions Organization inquiring about possible link on township website
  - In reference to correspondence no. 19 Trustee Yoder noted that Lake Township did not lose power during the storm and the road department worked diligently to keep the roads open. Trustee Arnold noted that some residents were frustrated that we were not down to black roads but salt becomes ineffective below 20 degrees. We are able to

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plow township roads, not county or state. A lot of the complaints received were for county and state roads. The Board thanked the road department for their hard work and all the hours they put in; they did a great job.

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

# **Police Department**

• None

## **Road Department**

• None

# **Zoning Department**

• The Board acknowledged receipt of the November 2022 Zoning Department Statistical Report.

#### Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office

None

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

• None

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 22-391 A resolution was made by Jeremy authorizing the <u>Board and Fiscal Officer</u> to execute the following:
  - O-22-16: Custom Cable Construction Shoshone (new cable needs run)
  - D-22-46: Dominion Energy Balmore Street (new short side service line)
  - D-22-47: Dominion Energy White Pine Ave. (new short side service line)

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes 22-392 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder accepting the verbal resignation of auxiliary officer, Dustin Hughes, effective November 1, 2022. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

22-393 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder scheduling a meeting for January 3, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of conducting any final business and payment of any final bills to close out the 2022 year and scheduling the 2023 Organizational Meeting immediately following. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

- A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder to open the Yard Waste Facility to cardholders, for disposal of live Christmas trees only, with regular hours, from Sunday, January 1, 2023, through Monday, January 9, 2023. The site will reopen for the 2023 season on Saturday, April 1, 2023, and will continue for the 2023 Season each day as follows:
  - Friday's 7 a.m. 7 p.m.
  - Saturday's and Sunday's 9 a.m. 5 p.m.
  - Monday's 7 a.m. − 7 p.m.

Christmas trees must have all decorations, including tinsel, removed prior to disposal. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

- The Board noted they thought the hours worked well this year and the reason they close at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sundays is to be respectful of the residential neighbors.
- 22-395 Trustee Yoder moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, information has come before the Board of Trustees concerning the condition of the real property located at 3750 Carl St. NW, Uniontown OH 44685 within the unincorporated territory of Lake Township; and

WHEREAS, based upon this information, the Board finds that a condition constituting a nuisance exists on the premises identified herein above, caused by the condition of vegetation, garbage, refuse or other debris at the subject location; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees determines that the owners maintenance of such vegetation, garbage, refuse or other debris, specifically, but not limited to, tires,

building materials, telephone poles, railroad ties, windows, tools, etc., constitutes a nuisance.

#### **NOW THEREFORE**, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Trustees that:

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87, notice shall be provided by U.S. certified mail, return receipt requested, to the owner(s) of the land identified above and to any holders of liens of record upon the land stating that: You, as the owner of the land located at 3750 Carl St. NW, Uniontown OH 44685, are hereby ordered to abate, control or remove the vegetation, garbage, refuse or other debris, specifically, the condition of junk/trash/debris/materials, the maintenance of which has been determined by the board of trustees to be a nuisance. If such vegetation, garbage, refuse or other debris is not abated, controlled or removed, or if provision for its abatement, control or removal is not made within seven (7) days, the board will provide for the abatement, control or removal, and any expenses incurred by the board in performing that task will be entered upon the tax duplicate and will be a lien upon the lands from the date of entry.@

If certified mail service is not perfected, notice is authorized by any means provided for in R.C. '505.87, including posting and/or publication.

Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

- Trustee Miller noted he had visited this property and is the worst that he has seen in Lake Township. He has instructed the Zoning Administrator to be aggressive with what we clean up. Trustees Arnold and Yoder agreed.
- 22-396 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder extending a one-time exception to the UWUA Collective Bargaining Agreement <u>Article XIII -- VACATION LEAVE</u> and the Lake Township Employee Handbook <u>ARTICLE V LEAVE/Vacation</u> for year-end vacation conversion requests that were received and inadvertently processed for Chris McInally and Rob Rothermel. Moving forward the policies will be enforced as written in each collective bargaining agreement and employee handbook. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

• The Board noted that safeguards have been put in place, so it does not happen again.

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22-397 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder accepting the December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Work Order No. 5112374 from Ziegler Tire and authorizing an expenditure, for the Road Department, in the amount of \$3,895.00 for the purchase and installation of replacement tires for the 521 Case Loader. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

# MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS

- Trustee Yoder spoke with Chip Weisel, from the Lake Chamber of Commerce, regarding signage around the round-abouts.
- Trustee Arnold attended an Opioid Settlement Board meeting regarding the millions of dollars in a class action settlement which several states, including Ohio, are participating. There has been a lawsuit filed that is tying up the distribution of the money. One of the issues an attorney brought forward is he didn't think elected officials should be on these county boards to determine the distribution of the money. This could tie it up for a couple of years before any of this money that is supposed to do good can get to the people who need the help. It is going to be unlikely that any of that money is distributed in 2023.
- Trustee Arnold also noted the greenhouse property on Mogadore where old fuel tanks were found is getting closer to being completed. Akron Canton Waste Oil has pumped the liquids and the tanks will be removed.

## **FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

22-398 A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to sign all Purchase Orders, Vouchers, and Reconciliations Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold yes

22-399 A resolution was made by Jeremy accepting the 2023 Temporary Appropriations in the amount of \$12,557,762.19 and hereby acknowledging that a copy of which will be attached to and made a part of these minutes. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Jeremy Yoder yes Steve Miller yes John Arnold 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 <a href="mailto:info@laketwpstarkco.com">info@laketwpstarkco.com</a>

22-400	A resolution was made by Jeremy Yoder to adjourn the meeting at 5:1 Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:			
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		Steve Miller	yes	
		John Arnold	yes	
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