

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 the public and streamed live via Facebook with the following members present:

John Arnold, Vice President  
Jeremy Yoder, Member

Also Present:

Matt Erb	Derek Shaffer
Sam Miller	Jeremy Guenther
Len Finfelli	

John Arnold called the regular meeting to order.

23-204 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving the minutes of the June 26, 2023 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-205 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing payment and processing of payroll for July 21, 2023. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-206 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving Financial (Fund/Appropriation/ Revenue Status and Cash Summary by Fund) Reports as July 10, 2023 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

23-207 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing all EXPENDITURES as of July 10, 2023 in the amount of \$1,109,318.17, 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 included approximately \$1,000,000 in distributions to the fire departments.

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Pat Dewalt – concerns/complaint about fireworks
  2. Morgan F. – concerns/complaint about fireworks and how to prohibit; does a petition need to be started
  3. Roger Webb – questions about electric aggregation program
  4. Carol Schott – questions about owning chickens in the township
  5. Stark County Engineer’s Office – notice of Mt. Pleasant Street in Jackson/Lake Township remaining closed east of intersection of Pittsburg Avenue
  6. Shea Flaherty – interested in painting a mural on concrete wall across from 12871 Cleveland Avenue, Uniontown
  7. Stark County Regional Planning Commission – RPC Newsletter; maintenance bond release request for Windgate North Allotment; July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting packet; *Notice of Subdivision Review*
  8. Chevrolet – recall for certain 2017 Traverse models
  9. Stark County Health Department – information about their *Overdose Fatality Review Team*
  10. Ohio Department of Job and Family Services – notice to file *2023 Quarter 2 Ohio Unemployment Compensation Quarterly Tax Return*
  11. Ohio Department of Administrative Services – weekly report of contracts and amendments for Cooperative Purchasing Program
  12. Christopher McGilton – questions about township regulations that address parking on streets
  13. Ohio Environmental Protection Agency – Statewide Air Quality Advisory / update
  14. Ohio Department of Transportation – FY 2023 INFRA/Mega/Rural (Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant) information
  15. Stark Economic Development Board, Inc. – weekly legislative update news
  16. National Opioid Settlements – project allocation amounts
- In reference to the correspondence regarding fireworks Trustee Arnold stated that it would be nice if the people who are participating in setting off fireworks would clean up after themselves. The township had to send a street sweeper out to clean up debris. Trustee Yoder would like residents to adhere to the time and days allowed by the state. The Board will discuss further when all three trustees are present.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Police Department**

- None.

**Road Department**

- None

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**Zoning Department**

- None

**Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office**

- The Board congratulated Chief Shaffer and the Uniontown Fire Department on their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Chief Shaffer addressed the board regarding some of the ways they are celebrating the event. They will be having an Open House for alumni as well as the public in October.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

23-208 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to execute the following:

- D-23-14: Dominion Energy, Apache St. (5' x 5' test hole / exploratory)

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-209 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board to execute a renewal of the *Independent Contractor Agreement* with Michael Wells dba Wells Quality Excavating for services performed at the Township cemeteries. The Board approves the following changes in the renewal agreement:

- Increase of \$0.05/sq. in. for foundations

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-210 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board to execute the following cemetery deeds:

- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 3, Lot 54, Grave 4
- Uniontown Greenlawn Cemetery – Section P, Lot 49, Graves 2 & 3

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

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23-211 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing LaVonne Hays to attend the July 27, 2023, Stark County Schools Council of Governments “Benefit Conference”. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold      yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

23-212 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of Lake Township Trustees, having been informed in writing that Canada Thistle is growing on the lands in charge of Linda Tippel in this township, described as follows: Parcel 2200691 Map Routing # 22 007NW 12-0600 (3574 Pine St. NW, Uniontown OH 44685)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said Linda Tippel whose address is 11375 Cleveland Ave. NW, Uniontown OH 44685 be notified by serving on him/her/they by certified mail with return receipt requested, a written copy of this resolution that said noxious weeds are growing on such lands and that they must be cut or destroyed within five (5) days after the service of such notice or show this Board cause why there is not need for doing so under Section 5579.05 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold      yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

23-213 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of Lake Township Trustees, having been informed in writing that Canada Thistle is growing on the lands in charge of Michael Martini in this township, described as follows: Parcel 2201627 Map Routing # 22 004SE 04-0500 (1090 Peony St NW, Hartville OH 44632)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said Michael Martini whose address is 1090 Peony St NW, Hartville OH 44632 be notified by serving on him/her/they by certified mail with return receipt requested, a written copy of this resolution that said noxious weeds are growing on such lands and that they must be cut or destroyed within five (5) days after the service of such notice or show this Board cause why there is not need for doing so under Section 5579.05 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold      yes  
Jeremy Yoder     yes

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23-214 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it appearing to the Board of Lake Township Trustees that the notice heretofore provided for by Resolution No. 23-198 (Parcel #2200819, V/L Broad Vista St. NW, Uniontown OH 44685) adopted June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023, has been duly served by certified mail or by publication once in the a newspaper of general circulation in Stark County, Ohio, upon the person therein named, and that he has failed to cut or destroy the noxious weeds or show this Board cause why there is no need for doing so as required under Section 5579.05 of the Ohio Revised Code, by July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Nichols Landscaping whose address is P.O. Box 745, Hartville OH 44632 be employed by Lake Township Trustees for an amount not to exceed \$350.00 for labor, material and equipment, to cut or destroy said noxious weeds, and that a written report be made by this Board to the auditor of Stark County of the cost of the labor, material and equipment and a proper description of the premises, as provided in Section 5579.06, 5579.07 and other provisions of the Revised Code of Ohio. The payment of said labor, material and equipment shall, upon approval of this Board, be paid out of the township general funds.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

### **MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS**

- Trustee Yoder met with representatives from Lake YMCA, Lake Schools and Forever Lawn regarding development of a park in Lake Township. He will provide renderings to the other trustees, and they will discuss at a future meeting.

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

23-215 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

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**PUBLIC SPEAKS**

*Judge Curt Werren, Canton Municipal Court:* Judge Werren introduced himself to the Board. The Canton Municipal Court is the court that serves Lake Township.

*Len Finelli, 2289 Donner St, N Canton:* Mr. Finelli addressed the Board regarding fireworks in Lake Township. He asked why Lake Township does not restrict fireworks. The Board stated that they follow the state guidelines. The township does not have township wide police which would make it difficult to enforce stricter guidelines. They will talk about it again when all the trustees are present.

*Dick Beck, 13697 Nutmeg Cir, Mogadore:* Mr. Beck thanked the Uniontown Fire Department for their service. He said there is great community spirit. Trustee Arnold stated he is proud of the three departments, Uniontown, Greentown and Hartville, that serve Lake Township.

- 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)

23-216 A resolution was made by John Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 5:29 p.m.  
Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

-absent-

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Matt Erb, Fiscal Officer

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Steve Miller, President

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John Arnold, Vice President

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Jeremy Yoder, Member

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