

The Board of Lake Township Trustees met in regular session at 4:30 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, President
Jeremy Yoder, Vice President
Steve Miller, Member

Also Present:

Matt Erb

John Arnold called the regular meeting.

24-121 A resolution was made by Steve Miller approving the minutes of the March 11, 2024, Regular meeting as submitted (tabled at the March 25, 2024 meeting). Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	abstain
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-122 A resolution was made by Steve Miller approving the minutes of the March 25, 2024, regular meeting as submitted. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	abstain
Steve Miller	yes

24-123 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing payment and processing of payroll for April 12, 2024. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-124 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving the Financial (Fund/Appropriation/Revenue Status and Cash Summary by Fund) Reports as April 9, 2024 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

24-125 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing all EXPENDITURES as of April 9, 2024 in the amount of \$1,219,741.76 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

- The Board noted this included approximately \$900,000 in payment to the fire departments.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Stark Soil & Water Conservation – district update / restructuring office staffing
2. Brent Hopkins – yard waste access for non-residents
3. Stark County Transportation Improvement District – cancellation of 04.09.2024 meeting
4. Stark County Township Association – SCTA Membership Dues information
5. Stark County Regional Planning Commission – April 9th meeting notice and packet; RPC Newsletter
6. Stark County Health Department – reminder of District Advisory Council survey
7. Ohio Department of Administrative Services – weekly report of new contracts and amendments for State Cooperative Purchasing Program
8. Andrew O’Neal – concerns about ice cream trucks
9. Stark Economic Development Board – weekly legislative news
10. Dan Speece – inquiry about yard waste being open
11. Stark County Engineer’s Office – 2024 Speed Zone Study information/form
12. Stark County Metropolitan Sewer District – information about manhole adjusting rings on township road resurfacing projects
13. Rusty Richards/Rivertree Lake – inquiry about use of park for men’s group workout
14. CUE Council of Governments – reminder that salt allocations are due no later than May 1, 2024 for the 2024-2025 Salt Contract
15. Stark County Prosecutor’s Office – notice of upcoming 2024 annual town hall meetings

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department

- None

Road Department

- None

Zoning Department

- None

Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office

- None

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

24-126 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the township to participate in the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program, sponsored through the Ohio Township Association and to renew services with Sedgwick to act as our Third-Party Administrator. The Board further authorizes payment of the \$3,095.00 Sedgwick Administrative Fee and for the President of the Board to execute the following necessary documents to complete the enrollment:

- Employer Statement for Group Retrospective Rating Program (BWC Form U-153)
- Exhibit "A" (Invoice) accepting terms and conditions of Service Agreement

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-127 Trustee Yoder motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Township has received a distribution of monies (the "ARPA Funds") from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ARPA" or the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, Congress passed the Act effective March 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Section 603 created the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund which, among other things, appropriated money to cities, nonentitlement units of local government, and counties to mitigate the fiscal effects stemming from the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease (Covid-19); and

WHEREAS, Department of Treasury Final Rule, published on January 6, 2022, and effective April 1, 2022, provides in part that:

Treasury presumes that up to \$10 million in revenue has been lost due to the public health emergency and recipients are permitted to use that amount (not to exceed the award amount) to fund “government services.” [The “standard allowance”].

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has identified a project which, in the judgment of the Board, qualifies as a permitted use of the ARPA Funds, in direct support of governmental services, which consists of the following:

- Authorizing final payment to MEB Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$81,357.23 which is \$1,532.23 above the contract amount of \$159,650.00 authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 23-369. The overage is due to unforeseen repairs needed during the roof replacement project at the Lake Township Administrative Offices, 12360 Market Avenue N, Hartville.

(the “Project”).

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board that:

1. The Township elected to use the standard allowance by way of Resolution No. 22-138 and its presumption of revenue loss due to the public health emergency and to use the amount authorized herein to fund government services.

2. The “Project” is hereby authorized and shall be paid for from the ARPA Funds in an amount not to exceed an additional: \$1,532.23 above original contract amount accepted/authorized under Resolution No. 23-369.

3. The Project described herein serves the objectives of the Act by providing services traditionally provided by a government, namely:

✓ **General government administration, staff, and administrative facilities**

4. Accordingly, the Project is in the best interests of the Township and is deemed a priority for the community.

5. No obligations paid under the authority of this Resolution were incurred prior to March 3, 2021.

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-128 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Township has received a distribution of monies (the “ARPA Funds”) from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA” or the “Act”); and

WHEREAS, Congress passed the Act effective March 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Section 603 created the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund which, among other things, appropriated money to cities, nonentitlement units of local government, and counties to mitigate the fiscal effects stemming from the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease (Covid-19); and

WHEREAS, Department of Treasury Final Rule, published at 31 CFR Part 35, provides enumerated eligible uses to assist in responding to and mitigating the adverse economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, which include providing rapid rehousing assistance, including capital expenditures on transitional shelters for individuals experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Love Our Community (“LOC”) is a 501(c) nonprofit which provides a variety of services to populations experiencing homelessness, including rapid rehousing and transitional housing; and

WHEREAS, LOC as demonstrated an increased need for transitional housing assistance due to a rapid increase in individuals experiencing homeless in Stark County, including Lake Township, following the onset of the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, due to the increased need, LOC has demonstrated it is necessary for it to construct new cabins in order to accommodate the rising need for transitional housing; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined that LOC’s request for funding to increase its available transitional housing to Lake Township residents who experience homelessness is an eligible expenditure and necessary to respond to the adverse economic impact created by the COVID-19 pandemic and therefore will agree to:

A one-time grant to LOC in the amount of \$75,000 to be used toward the construction of new units for provision of transitional housing.

This Project will be categorized as Expenditure Category EC 2.16 – Long-term Housing Security: Services for Unhoused Persons.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners that:

1. The Project is hereby authorized and shall be paid for from the ARPA Funds.
2. The Project described herein serves the objectives of the Act by providing necessary transitional housing by way of a nonprofit to qualifying residents.
3. Accordingly, the Project is in the best interests of the Township and is deemed a priority for the community.
4. The Project, a one-time grant to LOC, is hereby authorized and shall be paid for from the ARPA Funds in the amount of \$75,000.
5. The Township may execute the grant agreement with LOC, attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein.
6. No obligations paid under the authority of this Resolution were incurred prior to March 3, 2021.

Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

- 24-129 A resolution was made by John Arnold based on information, in part, provided by the Road Superintendent, the Board has determined that Lake Township has an adequate road salt supply and will submit a salt allocation of zero (0) tons to the CUE Council of Governments (CUE/COG) for the 2024-2025 Snow/Ice Season. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

- 24-130 A resolution was made by John authorizing the Board to execute the following Cemetery Deeds:

- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 3, Lot 46, Grave 3
- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 3, Lot 67, Graves 3 & 4

Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-131 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to execute the following:

- O-24-04: Robert Rinehart – 13492 Mogadore Ave. (culvert/ditch)
- O-24-05: Joseph Jeffries Co.-- Pleasantwood Ave. (sanitary hookup)

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
 Jeremy Yoder yes
 Steve Miller yes

24-132 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting the March 28, 2024, Quote No. 005157 from 415 Group and authorizing an expenditure, for the Road Department, in the amount of \$7,257.00 for the purchase and setup of the following:

- Dell Latitude Rugged Laptop computers (x3) with Intel Core i5 Processor, Windows 11 Pro Operating System and as further detailed in said quote.

Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
 Jeremy Yoder yes
 Steve Miller yes

24-133 A resolution was made by John Arnold determining that the Township is in possession of the following computer equipment that is obsolete and is unfit for the use for which it was acquired and is no longer needed by the Township. Further determining that this property has no value; therefore, the following items will be destroyed and/or disposed of in accordance with Section 505.10 (A)(7) of the Ohio Revised Code:

Qty.	Item Description	Inventory No.	Year Purchased /Received	Proposed Method of Disposition
Road Department				
3	Panasonic Toughbook CF 54 15-5300U 2.3G (Superintendent, Assistant Supt. & Mechanic)	RB 96	2016	Destroy/Dispose

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
 Jeremy Yoder yes
 Steve Miller yes

24-134 Trustee Miller motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Township has received a distribution of monies (the “ARPA Funds”) from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA” or the “Act”); and

WHEREAS, Congress passed the Act effective March 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Section 603 created the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund which, among other things, appropriated money to cities, nonentitlement units of local government, and counties to mitigate the fiscal effects stemming from the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease (Covid-19); and

WHEREAS, Department of Treasury Final Rule, published on January 6, 2022, and effective April 1, 2022, provides in part that:

Treasury presumes that up to \$10 million in revenue has been lost due to the public health emergency and recipients are permitted to use that amount (not to exceed the award amount) to fund “government services.” [The “standard allowance”].

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has identified a project which, in the judgment of the Board, qualifies as a permitted use of the ARPA Funds, in direct support of governmental services, which consists of the following:

- **Accepting the April 4, 2024, Proposal No. 9460 from Homestead Contracting, Inc. and authorizing an expenditure, for the Lake Township Administrative Offices, in the amount of \$13,100.00 for the purchase, delivery and installation of a new township meeting room table/desk at 12360 Market Avenue, as detailed in said Proposal.**
(the “Project”).

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board that:

1. The Township elected to use the standard allowance by way of Resolution No. 22-138 and its presumption of revenue loss due to the public health emergency and to use the amount authorized herein to fund government services.

2. The “Project” is hereby authorized and shall be paid for from the ARPA Funds in an amount not to exceed: **\$13,100.00**.

3. The Project described herein serves the objectives of the Act by providing services traditionally provided by a government, namely:

✓ **General government administration, staff, and administrative facilities**

4. Accordingly, the Project is in the best interests of the Township and is deemed a priority for the community.

5. No obligations paid under the authority of this Resolution were incurred prior to March 3, 2021

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-135 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Lake Township Board of Trustees is a taxing authority empowered to submit a tax levy on its behalf, and for Lake Township Emergency Medical Services within the Lake Township Fire District, within the meaning of Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(I) authorizes the board of trustees of any township, to request that the question of a tax levy be submitted by the taxing authority to the electors of the Lake Township Fire District, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined the necessity for a renewal tax levy to sustain the operations of Township Emergency Medical Services within the Lake Township Fire District, pursuant to the authority of R.C. 5705.19(I); and

WHEREAS, this Board intends to place the question of a one and one-quarter (1.25) mill renewal levy on the November 5, 2024, General Election ballot, for operating expenses of Township Emergency Medical Services within the Lake Township Fire District, as provided for in R.C. 5705.19(I), for a period of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03, requires this Board to request certification of the total current tax valuation of the Lake Township Fire District and the total amount of revenue that would be generated by the requested levy.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that:

1. The Board intends to initiate proceedings for the submission to the electors of Lake Township (Stark County, Ohio), at the General Election to be held November 5, 2024, the question of a renewal tax levy for operating expenses of the Township Emergency Medical Services within the Lake Township Fire District, within the meaning of R.C. 5705.19(I), for a period of five (5) years.

2. It is necessary to assess a tax, for a period of five (5) years, for operating expenses of the Township Emergency Medical Services within the Lake Township Fire District, namely:

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of the Lake Township Fire District for the purpose of providing for Emergency Medical Services that the county auditor estimates will collect \$[TBD by Auditor] annually, at a rate not exceeding one and one-quarter (1.25) mill for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to \$[TBD by Auditor] for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, for five (5) years, commencing in 2025, first due in calendar year 2026.

3. The Stark County Auditor is hereby requested to certify the current tax valuation of the Lake Township Fire District, the levy's rate, expressed in dollars, rounded to the nearest dollar, for each one hundred thousand dollars of the county auditor's appraised value, the dollar amount of revenue, rounded to the nearest dollar, that would be generated by the specified number of mills for each one dollar of taxable value, and an estimate of the levy's annual collections, rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars, which shall be calculated assuming that the amount of the tax list of the taxing authority remains throughout the life of the levy the same as the amount of the tax list for the current year, and if this is not determined, the estimated amount submitted by the auditor to the county budget commission.

4. The Fiscal Officer is directed to deliver a certified copy of this Resolution to the Stark County Auditor.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-136 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Lake Township Board of Trustees is a taxing authority empowered to submit a tax levy on its behalf, and for Lake Township Emergency Medical Services within the Lake Township Fire District, within the meaning of Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(I) authorizes the board of trustees of any township, to request that the question of a tax levy be submitted by the taxing authority to the electors of the Lake Township Fire District, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined the necessity for a replacement tax levy to sustain the operations of Township Emergency Medical Services within the Lake Township Fire District, pursuant to the authority of R.C. 5705.19(I); and

WHEREAS, this Board intends to place the question of a one and one-quarter (1.25) mill replacement levy on the November 5, 2024, General Election ballot, for operating expenses of Township Emergency Medical Services within the Lake Township Fire District, as provided for in R.C. 5705.19(I), for a period of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03, requires this Board to request certification of the total current tax valuation of the Lake Township Fire District and the total amount of revenue that would be generated by the requested levy.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that:

1. The Board intends to initiate proceedings for the submission to the electors of Lake Township (Stark County, Ohio), at the General Election to be held November 5, 2024, the question of a replacement tax levy for operating expenses of the Township Emergency Medical Services within the Lake Township Fire District, within the meaning of R.C. 5705.19(I), for a period of five (5) years.

2. It is necessary to assess a tax, for a period of five (5) years, for operating expenses of the Township Emergency Medical Services within the Lake Township Fire District, namely:

A replacement of a tax for the benefit of the Lake Township Fire District for the purpose of providing for Emergency Medical Services; that the county auditor estimates will collect \$[TBD by Auditor] annually, at a rate not exceeding one and one-quarter (1.25) mill for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to \$[TBD by Auditor] for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, for five (5) years, commencing in 2025, first due in calendar year 2026.

3. The Stark County Auditor is hereby requested to certify the current tax valuation of the Lake Township Fire District, the levy's rate, expressed in dollars, rounded to the nearest dollar, for each one hundred thousand dollars of the county auditor's appraised value, the dollar amount of revenue, rounded to the nearest dollar, that would be generated by the specified number of mills for each one dollar of taxable value, and an estimate of the levy's annual collections, rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars, which shall be calculated assuming that the amount of the tax list of the taxing authority remains throughout the life of the levy the same as the amount of the tax list for the current year, and if this is not determined, the estimated amount submitted by the auditor to the county budget commission.

4. The Fiscal Officer is directed to deliver a certified copy of this Resolution to the Stark County Auditor.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

- The Board explained that they are requesting certification both as a renewal and a replacement to see how much the levies would bring in. After reviewing the numbers and what the requirements are they will come back with a recommendation. They also noted the current levy expires in about a year and a half, they want to make sure they are ahead of it. The next to resolutions will be for the same thing for the Road Department.

24-137 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Lake Township Board of Trustees is a taxing authority empowered to submit a tax levy on its behalf, and for a Township Road District, within the meaning of Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(G) authorizes the board of trustees of any township, to request that the question of a tax levy be submitted by the taxing authority to the electors of the subdivision, or Road District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined the necessity for a renewal tax levy to sustain the operations of the Road District, pursuant to the authority of R.C. 5705.19(G); and

WHEREAS, this Board intends to place the question of a one and one-half (1.50) mill renewal levy on the November 5, 2024, General Election ballot, for operating expenses of the Road District as provided for in R.C. 5705.19(G), for a period of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03, requires this Board to request certification of the total current tax valuation of the Lake Township Road District and the total amount of revenue that would be generated by the requested levy.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that:

1. The Board intends to initiate proceedings for the submission to the electors of the Lake Township Road District (Stark County, Ohio), at the General Election to be held November 5, 2024, the question of a renewal tax levy for operating expenses of the Road District, within the meaning of R.C. 5705.19(G), for a period of five (5) years.

2. It is necessary to assess a tax, for a period of five (5) years, for operating expenses of the Road District, namely:

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of the Lake Township Road District for the purpose of providing for the general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, and repair of streets, roads and bridges that the county auditor estimates will collect \$[TBD by Auditor] annually, at a rate not exceeding one and one-half (1.5) mill for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to \$[TBD by Auditor] for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, for five (5) years, commencing in 2025, first due in calendar year 2026.

3. The Stark County Auditor is hereby requested to certify the current tax valuation of the Lake Township Road District, the levy's rate, expressed in dollars, rounded to the nearest dollar, for each one hundred thousand dollars of the county auditor's appraised value, the dollar amount of revenue, rounded to the nearest dollar, that would be generated by the specified number of mills for each one dollar of taxable value, and an estimate of the levy's annual collections, rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars, which shall be calculated assuming that the amount of the tax list of the taxing authority remains throughout the life of the levy the same as the amount of the tax list for the current year, and if this is not determined, the estimated amount submitted by the auditor to the county budget commission.

4. The Fiscal Officer is directed to deliver a certified copy of this Resolution to the Stark County Auditor.

Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-138 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Lake Township Board of Trustees is a taxing authority empowered to submit a tax levy on its behalf, and for a Township Road District, within the meaning of Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(G) authorizes the board of trustees of any township, to request that the question of a tax levy be submitted by the taxing authority to the electors of the subdivision, or Road District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined the necessity for a replacement tax levy to sustain the operations of the Road District, pursuant to the authority of R.C. 5705.19(G); and

WHEREAS, this Board intends to place the question of a one and one-half (1.50) mill replacement levy on the November 5, 2024, General Election ballot, for operating expenses of the Road District as provided for in R.C. 5705.19(G), for a period of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03, requires this Board to request certification of the total current tax valuation of the Lake Township Road District and the total amount of revenue that would be generated by the requested levy.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that:

1. The Board intends to initiate proceedings for the submission to the electors of the Lake Township Road District (Stark County, Ohio), at the General Election to be held November 5, 2024, the question of a replacement tax levy for operating expenses of the Road District, within the meaning of R.C. 5705.19(G), for a period of five (5) years.

2. It is necessary to assess a tax, for a period of five (5) years, for operating expenses of the Road District, namely:

A replacement of a tax for the benefit of the Lake Township Road District for the purpose of providing for the general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, and repair of streets, roads and bridges that the county auditor estimates will collect \$[TBD by Auditor] annually, at a rate not exceeding one and one-half (1.5) mill for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to \$[TBD by Auditor] for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, for five (5) years, commencing in 2025, first due in calendar year 2026.

3. The Stark County Auditor is hereby requested to certify the current tax valuation of the Lake Township Road District, the levy's rate, expressed in dollars, rounded to the nearest dollar, for each one hundred thousand dollars of the county auditor's appraised value, the dollar amount of revenue, rounded to the nearest dollar, that would be generated by the specified number of mills for each one dollar of taxable value, and an estimate of the levy's annual collections, rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars, which shall be calculated assuming that the amount of the tax list of the taxing authority remains throughout the life of the levy the same as the amount of the tax list for the current year, and if this is not determined, the estimated amount submitted by the auditor to the county budget commission.

4. The Fiscal Officer is directed to deliver a certified copy of this Resolution to the Stark County Auditor.

Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-139 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Lake Township Board of Trustees, requested a Speed Zone Study for Geib Avenue, pursuant to Resolution No. 23-183, and

WHEREAS, the Stark County Engineer's Office has completed the Speed Zone Study, through MasterMind, LLC. and the calculated results of the study produced a higher proposed speed limit than the existing 35 mph, and

WHEREAS, the Stark County Engineer's Office recommends keeping the existing posted speed limit of 35 mph.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Lake Township Trustees does agree and will follow the recommendation of the Stark County Engineer's Office and keep the existing 35 mph speed limit for Geib Avenue.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

- The Board noted the speed study was a result of residents requesting the speed limit be lower, but the study came back that it could actually be higher. They are just going to keep it where it is at for a happy medium.
- The Board discussed renewable energy as related to SB 52. They would like to respect current property owners right to enjoy their property. They have asked the Township Administrator to get more clarity on whether they can be for it, oppose it or be neutral. Their understanding is that remaining neutral allows them to evaluate on a case-by-case basis, but they want to be sure their understanding is correct.

MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS

- Trustee Miller met with a resident regarding a possible easement in our right-of-way to tap into sewer. Further research is needed to see if this is possible. We should have more information at the next meeting.

FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT

24-140 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

- None
- 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

24-141 A resolution was made by John Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 4:52 p.m. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

Matt Erb, Fiscal Officer

John Arnold, President

Jeremy Yoder, Vice President

Steve Miller, Member

