

WESTFIELD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING

May 6, 2024

Schmidt called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Attendance: Craig Horner, Michael Schmidt

Others in attendance: Melissa Kurtz, Lee Evans, Julie Carr

Judge Lewis, from Wadsworth Municipal Court, joined the meeting to share the financial reports since they cover the Westfield and surrounding areas. No staff changes, total of 11 employees and no changes were made when the new Judge took the position. Main cases are traffic cases, OVI's, criminal and so on. The trends are going up with cases in 2023. This is also a civil court as well. Types of those are small claims action, civil lawsuits under 15k and evictions. They also perform marriages in the court. The number of civil cases have decreased over time. She shared she would like to come back anytime and to please reach out. She wants the court to be open to those who want to tour.

Schmidt makes a motion to approve the minutes for the public hearing on April 15, 2024 meeting. Horner seconds the motion. **Schmidt- yes, Horner- yes. Motion passed.**

Schmidt makes a motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on April 15, 2024 meeting. Horner seconds the motion. **Schmidt- yes, Horner- yes. Motion passed.**

Mr. Evans updated the bug spray will start next week. The amount of salt that needed moved has been moved. He is applying for a grant, it has not been completed yet, but updated on the status. Melway hasn't contacted him yet, but they are in the area. Greenwich road has work done on the roads. Mowing is happening, goal is to complete by Memorial Weekend.

Zoning Updates- \$167.85 collected for April. May 30th is another working session for the BZA regarding the creation of a new application from they are wanting. Carr reviewed the lot split application in SR zoned area. She asked about a lot on Friendsville Rd, .70 of an acre, that is being inquired on.

Kurtz received an email from the parks department regarding parking lots and creating a parking bureau as allowed in the Ohio revised code. The Trustees have many questions regarding this and would like to send this to the prosecutors for input.

Trustees received an application of employment for the BZA and will discuss this at the next meeting on June 3rd

Hall Rental- M. Kurtz said she would like to use Microsoft Calendar to update on any hall rentals.

For the next rental, Lee will open the hall and Horner will close the hall.

Shred day in the village is not open to the township residents. This is contracted out and paid for by the village.

Funds reports- see Exhibits.

Payment listing \$29,748.23

Schmidt makes a motion to approve the payments of \$29,748.23 . Horner seconds the motion. Schmidt- yes, Horner- yes. Motion passed.

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Schmidt makes a motion to cancel the May 20, 2024 due to Trustees being unable to attend as a result of vacation and medical leave. Horner seconds. Schmidt- yes, Horner- yes. Motion passed. The next meeting will be on June 3, 2024.

Ron Oiler, 6969 Buffham Rd, shared that the traffic coming off 224 is getting worse. The crest on Buffham only gives you a 2 second notice if you are going 40 mph before you hit the crest. He is inquiring about potentially adding blinking lights at this area. Horner will give this information to Lee to inquire about. Kurtz shared that the township could order the blinking solar lights to add to the stop signs on Buffham.

Lifeline screening is available on July 25th at the township hall. This is during the day, the hall will be opened and closed by Lee.


Announcements: Zoning commission 5/15. BZA Meeting 5/30 for a working session. Next meeting is June 3, 2024.

Schmidt makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Horner seconds the motion. Schmidt- yes, Horner- yes. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourns at 8:28 pm

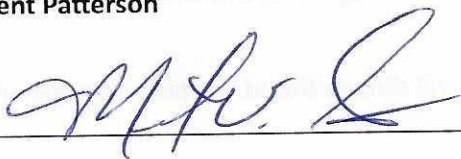
Minutes prepared by: Julie Carr, Township Administrator

Signed,



Craig Horner

Kent Patterson



Michael Schmidt