

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING  
HELD Thursday, June 6, 2024 at 7:30 pm

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Jack Butler. All members were present. Also present were Fiscal Officer, Annette Depue, Road Superintendent, Andy Romoser, Interim Zoning Inspector John Hurlow, & Zoning Inspector Douglas Whatman. Mr. Dave Yoder made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes and to pay the bills, approve Purchase Orders, & approve reallocations as presented. Mr. Steve Swank seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all ayes.

Residents Richard & Amy Richwine of 1896 Braden Lane attended due to the continuous problems with the adjacent neighbor's violation of having chickens. It has been a problem since December of 2023. Zoning did send a letter, however, the Resolution addressed several other issues and not the chickens, therefore another letter will be sent. There are several infractions at the property. Resident Joseph Curry of 312 E. Hanley Road attended to speak on the possibility of changing the zoning law so that residents on less than 2 acres can have chickens. Mr. Hurlow explained the necessary steps to begin the process. Mr. George Rusiska of 1837 Barberry Drive attended to ask several questions in regards to his and neighboring properties. He is concerned about a catch basin on Straub Rd. Mr. Romoser explained why the issue occurs and that the township is willing to dig a ditch, but if he would prefer a tile be added that it would be the responsibility of the homeowner. He also pointed out that the catch basin at the neighbors looks as though its disintegrating & Mr. Romoser said the township would repair if necessary. There is also an issue with debris from neighboring properties that covers the catch basin. Mr. Rusiska also asked if he could remove his sidewalk that is in disrepair and the trustees approved. He also had concern for speed problems & truck traffic on Straub Road and the trustees referred him to the State Highway Patrol.

Interim Zoning Inspector, Mr. John Hurlow reported that Mr. Alexander variance was approved by the ZBA. Mr. Whatman presented Resolution 14-24 finding that Joseph C Reindl's property at 2195 Cloverdale constitutes a nuisance. Mr. Swank moved to adopt, Mr. Jack Butler seconded and there was a roll call vote of all ayes. Mr. Whatman presented Resolution 15-24 finding that Ryan Cullen's property at 2274 Breezeway constitutes a nuisance. Mr. Swank moved to adopt, Mr. Jack Butler seconded and there was a roll call vote of all ayes. Mr. Whatman presented Resolution 16-24 finding that Jerod & Melinda Butler's property at 465 E. Hanley Rd. constitutes a nuisance. Mr. Swank moved to adopt, Mr. Jack Butler seconded and there was a roll call vote of all ayes. Mr. Whatman presented Resolution 17-24 finding that Kris Reindl's property at 2105 Cloverdale constitutes a nuisance. Mr. Swank moved to adopt, Mr. Jack Butler seconded and there was a roll call vote of all ayes. Mr. Whatman presented Resolution 18-24 finding that Jason Ink's property at 1171 E. Hanley Rd. constitutes a nuisance. Mr. Swank moved to adopt, Mr. Jack Butler seconded and there was a roll call vote of all ayes. Mr. Whatman also updated trustees on complaints at 1955 Lexington and that he has also consulted with Attorney Burton in regards to 2999 Touby Road.

Mr. Romoser reported that he got 2 quotes for the repairs needed at 645 Cliffside and they will be replacing 60' of 24" tile. Mr. Butler moved hire American Dirt, Mr. Swank seconded, and the motion passed with all ayes. Mr. Romoser granted a permit to Spectrum to run cable up the north side of Straub Rd. from Lexington Avenue to 245 W. Straub. Mr. Yoder & Mr. Romoser visited resident Judy Yomen and gave her more information. Mr. Romoser is working on getting an estimate to a paving issue at the end of Lisa Hoffman's drive at 1139 Belmar. He also presented a new quote from KOSI for the internet at the new building due to previous inaccurate specifications. The quote increased by \$748.48. Mr. Butler moved to approve, Mr. Swank seconded, and the motion passed with all ayes.

Fiscal Officer, Annette Depue updated that Deb Mounts will be having another hearing with Industrial Commission, she also announced that the 2025 Budget hearing for the public will be at 7:15 pm on June 20<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Depue presented Resolution 19-24, Declaring the Necessity to Levy a Tax in Excess of the Ten-Mill Limitation. Mr. Yoder moved to adopt the Resolution, Mr. Swank seconded, and it was approved with a roll call vote of all ayes. Mrs. Depue distributed the Cash Summary by Fund Report.

Mr. Yoder shared the thank you note from the Tim Boggs family. He received a call from Fran Vanholle at 2206 Hayward regarding water. Mr. Yoder discussed with Mr. Romoser about previous work and to see if there is something we can do. He said he would check it with dye.

Mr. Butler reported that he received a call about a resident speeding on King Rd. Mr. Butler called Shirley Taylor at 3677 Mid-Bellville Road to let her know she needs to replace a culvert because it is affecting the road. Mr. Butler also proposed using stone for landscaping around the new building. Mr. Swank moved that #4's be used, Mr. Butler seconded and the motion was carried with a roll call vote of all ayes. Mr. Butler also presented the bid for the new fuel tanks for \$49,565.00 from Musick's Service Station. Mr. Butler moved to accept the quote, Mr. Yoder seconded, and the motion was passed with a roll call vote of all ayes.

After no further business, Mr. Yoder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Butler seconded the motion and the motion carried with the meeting ending at 9:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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ANNETTE DEPUE, FISCAL OFFICER

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JACK BUTLER, CHAIR

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DAVE YODER, V-CHAIR

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STEVE SWANK, TRUSTEE