

## **Union Township Board of Trustees Meeting – June 3, 2019**

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Union Township Trustees for June 3, 2019 called to order at 6:00pm by Trustee Koch, President of the Board. The Fiscal Officer, Lauren Koch, called the roll with the following members present:

Fred Vonderhaar – here, Tony Ledford – here, Chris Koch – here.

Trustee Ledford led the group in prayer. Trustee Koch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Koch asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board, Art stated that the property owned by Shawhan Association Limited located at 1402 Arapaho Drive is not cutting the lot. The appearance is unpleasant, and it needs taken care of. The board has agreed to send a letter by certified and regular mail to Shawhan Association Limited and Mr. Beck at 2490 Manistique Lake Drive as well, as Trustee Koch received a complaint against an un-mowed lot there.

Police – nothing to report.

Chief Napier – Has two more addresses on Turtlecreek Road that needs mowed, he has the property information on both of those houses. He will get the information and a letter sent out before the Township takes action. The letter will give them ten days to respond.

There was a good turn out on the Memorial Day parade, and Mr. Burk did a great job. There was a heavy damage crash on Mason-Morrow Road on Friday night. It was a four person crash. He does not have any updates on the individuals yet. There was a fire alarm on Trovillo Road at the same time.

Congressman Chabot will be here on the 6<sup>th</sup>, everything is ready for that town hall meeting. They will be honoring Howard Halcomb for his 100 Birthday and service at Normandy.

Josh Sandlin – He had a woman claim that she had a friend purchased 12 graves, and gave six away to the friend. She buried her son there, and the other graves were remaining. She tried purchasing the other 6 from her friend, but they said no. Josh does not have definitive paperwork yet or proof as to who own the lots. However, there is a footer on one of the graves that might need moved due to the lot ownership. He never received the demo mower from John Deere. Lastly, he had someone complain on Memorial Day that someone stole the flowers from their grave, Josh assured them that it wasn't moved or touched by anyone from the Township.

Chief Napier – It was very nice that Josh had the tent raised up at the cemetery this year.

Trustee Koch – Wanted to take a moment to say thank you to Josh and Chief Napier for their hard work, and the wonderful job they did putting together the Memorial Day service. The cemetery looked incredible, and Chief did a super job putting the event together.

Fiscal Officer – Received a tax bill from the IRS, for the 2018 June's tax period. It was underpaid by \$14,117.11 and because of that we have been assessed fees, which bring the total owed \$20,325.63. Received the letter prior to the meeting, so she hasn't had time to look into it prior to the meeting. Will have an answer for the Board by next meeting in regards to the status of the bill.

Trustee Vonderhaar – Would like to mention that one of the tents at the cemetery needs replaced, Union Township should be printed on all four sides of the tent, not just two. Josh will have a price for a new one by the next meeting. The bushes at the cemetery should be removed, they are too big for the space even when trimmed back. Checked in on Cincinnati Waterworks for Cox Smith Road, there's still no waterline, they have applied for an EPA Permit, but he's going to keep working on it. At the end of the Memorial Day parade, the benediction by Jason Faulkner, concerned him that the right people weren't noted for what occurred. For the record, Union Township and the Board of Trustees are the one who authorize the parade, and with the help of Chief Napier, put the event on.

He also spoke to a Mrs. Dransman at Manistique Lake who complained about a ditch that needed cleaned up, he isn't sure if there's a right of way, but she requested for it to be mowed. Will do further research to see who is responsible for it.

Trustee Koch – Requested that Josh reach out to Acomb Nursey off Stubbs Mill Road to get someone out to quote replacing the bushes at the cemetery with something else that would be more suitable for the space.

The minutes of the last meeting were given to the Trustees before the meeting. Trustee Vonderhaar made a motion to approve the minutes as written, minus the lines that he wants changed “Poff’s treated the cemetery twice last week.” Wants it to read that Poff’s treated both cemeteries last week. Additionally, “Turtlecreek/wood road.” Change to just Wood Road so it’s not confusing. Trustee Koch said the minutes should be re-written and brought up for approval at the next meeting.

Trustee Vonderhaar – Barbs daughter was in the Ohio Farmer magazine, it did not mention Union Township but congratulations to Barb and her family for their success with developing Aberlin Springs in the Township. Nothing further to report.

Trustee Ledford – 1370 Arapaho Drive, the second lot someone asked about having that ditch cleaned up, if Josh could go out and take a look at it. 3629 Dry Run, there’s a tree hanging on top of a power line, if we could get someone out to get that taken care of.

Trustee Ledford made a motion to pay the bills with Trustee Vonderhaar seconding the motion. A roll call resulted in all “Yeas.”

Trustee Koch – There’s a hearing tomorrow night on Greg Hannah who has applied for a variance with the Board of Zoning Appeals to put in a lot for his son. They’re making progress on the 600 block of Shawhan cleaning that up. Nothing further to report.

Trustee Ledford – will be going to Dayton and Beavercreek tomorrow to help assist with the tornado relief. He thinks it will be nice to take a spare guy and truck up to help aid, if Josh has someone he could help spare.

Josh Sandlin – He could spare Aaron and a truck.

There being no further topics to discuss, Trustee Koch made a motion to adjourn at 7:05pm with Trustee Vonderhaar seconding the motion. A roll call resulted in all “Yeas.” The next meeting will be on June 17, 2019.

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Fiscal Officer

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Chairman of the Board