

UNION TOWNSHIP – WARREN COUNTY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES – Regular Meeting – September 8, 2020

CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Union Township Board of Trustees was called to order by President, Fred Vonderhaar on Tuesday, 9/8/20 at 6:00 p.m. at the Union Township Municipal Building. The meeting was opened with the Fiscal Officer, Shelley Lamb, taking roll call of the trustees: Fred Vonderhaar, Tony Ledford, and Jamie Allen. Prayer was led by Mr. Ledford. Mr. Vonderhaar led everyone in The Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS IN ATTENDANCE (IF KNOWN): No citizens were in attendance

POLICE SUMMARY: Sergeant Boylan and Deputy Pangallo had nothing to report other than they were called to help out of the Township area by the Cincinnati Police on SR 123 concerning a possible stabbing. The suspects were arrested but no stabbing had occurred.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Napier stated the new fire engine was close to being complete, but if needed now it could be used. Chief Napier brought back up the idea of Franklin Township acquiring Union Township's old engine. Chief Napier stated Franklin Township has a small budget and cannot afford to purchase a brand new fire engine. He also reminded everyone that Union Township has been in that situation in the past concerning equipment and was helped out by other area departments. Chief Napier would like to offer the old fire engine (1995 International) at a price of \$500 to Franklin Township. Mr. Vonderhaar made a motion to approve this \$500 offer for Franklin Township to purchase this engine, seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all "yeas". Chief Napier presented 2 bids to re-do the Union Township Municipal Building & Fire Department parking lot. These two bids were very close in price, but he is still waiting on a third bid to possibly finalize the needed parking lot repairs at a future meeting. Chief Napier stated he was contacted about a punch list item concerning street signs needing replaced at Highlands at Heritage Hill subdivision. He was going to look into this further, as no one had information about this item needing attention. Chief Napier did bring up the need for "No Parking" signs on the hydrant sides of the street in the Riverwalk Subdivision, as well as in Highlands at Heritage Hill.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Josh Sandlin stated he was contacted by Mrs. Barker who was inquiring about trading 2 of her cemetery lots for 2 different available lots. This has been done in the past and was approved by all Trustees, but she must pay the administrative fee of \$35 for the new deed. Josh then stated the road work has gotten started on Wood Road and the road striping was beginning on Shawhan Road.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT: The Fiscal Officer presented the bills to pay, fund status, cemetery deeds, etc. thru September 8, 2020. All were signed and approved by the Board of Trustees.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Allen asked about the Jeff Chasteen residence at 3567 Trovillo Road and if the yard had been mowed. Mr. Vonderhaar stated it had not and a letter needed to be sent. Chief Napier said he would go by the house first to make contact with the homeowner concerning getting it mowed. Mr. Ledford then stated there were some complaints about a few yards in the Highland Park area. There was also a couch put out on a curb that needed to be removed. Chief Napier said there should be some phone calls made to the property owners about these issues. Mr. Allen made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all "yeas".

Mr. Ledford made a motion to accept the minutes from the regular meeting held on 8/17/20, seconded by Mr. Vonderhaar. The motion was carried by all "yeas". Mr. Ledford made a motion to accept the minutes from the special meeting held on 8/31/20, seconded by Mr. Allen. The motion was carried by all "yeas".

Mr. Vonderhaar made a motion to accept the email recommendation from Attorney Bruce McGary concerning reducing the yearly lighting tax assessment at Shawhan Trails to \$1.00 per lot, seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all "yeas". This is good for one year (the 2020 tax year) and could be changed in the future. Mr. Vonderhaar will get in contact with Mr. McGary about sending the lot owners a letter in reference to this reduction. Mr. Vonderhaar made a motion to adopt the Resolution Accepting the Amounts & Rates, seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all "yeas". See attached resolution.

Mr. Vonderhaar mentioned he received an email from Chuck Petty at the Warren County Engineer's Office concerning resident Tom Barker of 1989 Wood Road, who was asking about a culvert tile. Mr. Vonderhaar

explained to him the resident must supply all materials for Mr. Sandlin to do the work and they must also get any required permit from Warren County. Mr. Vonderhaar said he met with Mark Leader about the repairs needed on Glosser-Richardson Rd. This situation was discussed at the special meeting held on August 31, 2020. Mr. Vonderhaar wanted to correct the amount that was stated as charged to Union Township by the contractor, Henry W. Bergman, Inc. The amount was \$6,187.50, not \$7,796 as originally thought. Mr. Leader's verbal estimate for the repairs is \$2,750. The Trustees were in agreement to present this estimate to the Warren County Engineer's Office so they could contact James Bergman of HWB, Inc. to see if they wanted to do the repairs themselves or have Mark Leader take on the project. Henry W. Bergman, Inc. would then be responsible for reimbursing Union Township the \$2,750. Mark Leader (Leader Machinery) recently completed road repairs on Cox-Smith, Riverwalk, & Kings Lane to the Trustees' satisfaction.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mr. Vonderhaar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ledford to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m. The motion was carried by all "yeas".

The next meeting will be Monday, September 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED
BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY
TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR**

***The Governing Board of Union Township Trustees, Warren County, Ohio, met
in regular session on the 8th day of September 2020, at the office of the Board
of Union Township Trustees with the following members present:***

Mr. Fred Vonderhaar, Trustee; Mr. Tony Ledford, Trustee;

Mr. Jamie Allen, Trustee; Mrs. Shelley Lamb, Fiscal Officer

***RESOLVED, by the Governing Board of Union Township, Warren County, Ohio,
in accordance with the provisions of law has adopted a Tax Budget for the
next succeeding fiscal year commencing January 1st, 2021; and***

***WHERE AS, the Budget Commission of Warren County, Ohio, has certified its
action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor
of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part
thereof is without, and what part within, the ten mill limitation; therefore, be it***

***RESOLVED, By the Governing Board of Union Township, Warren County, Ohio,
that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its
certification, be and the same are hereby accepted' and be it further***

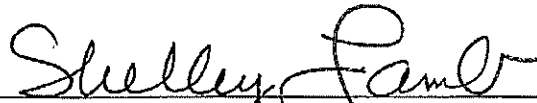
***RESOLVED, That there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said
township the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the
ten mill limitation as follows:***

Mr. Fred Vonderhaar moved for the adoption of the Resolution, seconded by

Mr. Ledford. The resolution was carried by all "yeas".

I, Shelley Lamb, Fiscal Officer of the Board of Township Trustees of Union Township, in said County, and in whose custody, the Files and Records of said Board are required by the laws of the State of Ohio to be kept, do hereby certify that the foregoing is taken and copied from the original Annual Temporary Appropriations now on file with said Board, that the foregoing has been compared by me with said original document, and that the same is a true and correct copy thereof.

Witness my signature this 8th day of September, 2020.



**Fiscal Officer of the Board of Township Trustees of
Union Township – Warren County, OH**

UNION TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY

SCHEDULE B

LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION, EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIES

Fund	Levy Description	Maximum Rate Authorized To Be Levied	County Auditor's Est. of Yield of Levy (carry to Schedule A Column II)
2191-Special Levy - Fire/EMS authorized by voters on 11/05/2002 not to exceed indefinite years		2.000	
2191-Special Levy - Fire/EMS authorized by voters on 11/06/2017 not to exceed 5 years		3.900	
2191-Special Levy - Fire/EMS authorized by voters on 11/08/2011 not to exceed indefinite years		4.900	

Office of the Board of Trustees of Union Township, Warren County, OH
 To the County Auditor:

The Board of Trustees of said Township hereby submits its Annual Budget for the year commencing January 1st, 2021 for consideration of the County Budget Commission pursuant of Section 5705.30 of the Revised Code.

Shelley Lamb
 Township Fiscal Officer

SCHEDULE A
SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY BUDGET COMMISSION
AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES

Fund Description	Levy Description	Amount Approved by Budget Commission	Amount to be Derived from Levies	County Auditor's Estimate of Tax Rate to be Levied	
		Inside 10 Mill Limitation	Outside 10 Mill Limitation	Inside 10 Mill Limit	Outside 10 Mill Limit
		Column I	Column II	Column III	Column IV
1000 - General				1.10	
2031 - Road and Bridge				1.20	
2191 - Special Levy - Fire/EMS					10.80
TOTAL					10.80