

## UNION TOWNSHIP – WARREN COUNTY

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES – Regular Meeting – October 19, 2020

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**CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Union Township Board of Trustees was called to order by President, Fred Vonderhaar on Monday, 10/19/20 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):** Mike Grimmer was in attendance. He was representing the Home Owners' Association from Timberlake Estates. He and Chief Napier discussed the possible installation of a dry hydrant for that subdivision again. Chief Napier said he would continue with further study about this installation. Mr. Grimmer stated there had been some crack sealant done in the subdivision, but they feel there is still need for new paving. Road Superintendent Josh Sandlin said there were a few bad spots that he wanted to repair this week if possible.

Barbara Aberlin was in attendance and mentioned "Phase III" had started and building lots were selling well in the Aberlin Springs Subdivision.

**POLICE SUMMARY:** Sergeant Boylan mentioned there had been an incident on Pike Street in the Village. There is a resident that claims she is a "sovereign citizen" and they had to forcibly arrest her due to some warrants. Sergeant Boylan reported the bridge on Columbia Road is now open after the guardrail was replaced.

**CHIEF'S REPORT:** Chief Napier stated there are 8 cases of COVID-19 out in the Township. The Village of South Lebanon is at 26 cases, 14 are in Union Township; 12 are in Hamilton Township. Chief Napier said the concrete replacement had started at the firehouse, but there was a small area that was forgotten about in the original planning. It would be roughly \$1,500 to replace the pad out by the dumpster. All Trustees were in agreement to pay the additional \$1,500 for this pad. Chief Napier had an adjustment to his budget. The overall budget did not have any major changes, just some part-time/full-time hours were adjusted. He is getting ready to move ahead with the hiring of two full-time employees that was approved at a previous meeting. Chief Napier said he has a meeting with the Village of South Lebanon & Warren County on October 20, 2020 concerning the CDBG Grant that was awarded for the sidewalk construction on Lebanon Road.

**ROAD SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Josh Sandlin stated his department was getting caught up with mowing/etc. and making sure the cemetery duties were covered.

**FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT:** The Fiscal Officer presented the bills to pay, fund status, cemetery deeds, etc. thru October 19, 2020. All were signed and approved by the Board of Trustees.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mr. Allen made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Mr. Vonderhaar. The motion was carried by all "yeas".

Mr. Ledford said he thought it would be a good idea for the Road Department to get new hand tools, as he felt the tools they had currently were in need of replacement. Mr. Ledford said he would look into the possibility of paying for the tools out of the CARES ACT fund that has been obtained by Union Township. Mr. Ledford also mentioned he thought it was a good idea for the Road Department to have a computer or laptop at the cemetery, not just at the Township building, Mr. Sandlin concurred. Mr. Ledford made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting held on 10/5/20, seconded by Mr. Allen. The motion was carried by all "yeas".

Mr. Vonderhaar said the "bigger teepee" was gone from Cox-Smith Road, but he did see a smaller tent and a campfire burning on the property. He thinks the colder weather will put a stop to the tents/etc. Mr. Vonderhaar asked Chief Napier if he had spoken to the homeowner at 3314 Trovillo Road about cleaning up the property. Chief Napier said the homeowner said there was some remodeling taking place at the house, but Chief Napier said there are still items in the yard that need to be removed. If he doesn't get any positive results about removing the items, he will turn this issue over to the Warren County Zoning Department. Mr. Vonderhaar said he had a phone call from a resident on West Turtlecreek-Union Road with questions about putting up a fence and concerns about a box trailer with no wheels that was sitting on the ground. Mr. Vonderhaar referred them to the Warren County Zoning Department, as that is who takes care of zoning issues within Union Township. Mr. Vonderhaar has not received any updates from Jason Fisher concerning the Highlands at Heritage Hill punch list completion. He is

also still waiting to hear from Attorney Bruce McGary concerning the real estate tax letter for the residents at Shawhan Trails Lighting District. Mr. Vonderhaar then made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 101920-01, Warren County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation 5-Year Plan Update, seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all "yeas". Please see attached resolution.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Mr. Vonderhaar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Allen to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m. The motion was carried by all "yeas".

The next meeting will be Monday, November 2, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

**UNION TOWNSHIP - WARREN COUNTY, OH - Resolution No. 101920-01**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE WARREN COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION 5 YEAR PLAN UPDATE**

**WHEREAS**, Warren County has experienced severe damage from several natural hazards on many occasions in the past century, resulting in property loss, loss of life, economic hardship, and threats to public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Emergency Management Agency desires to be compliant with The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 and 44 CFR section 201.6(d)(3). Said act requires that a hazard mitigation planning program criteria be developed in order that the participating Warren County communities and unincorporated areas of Warren County will be eligible for future pre-disaster and post-disaster Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding.

**FURTHER**, the mitigation planning regulation at 44 CFR section 201.6(d)(3) states:

A local jurisdiction must review and revise its hazard mitigation plan to reflect changes in development, progress in local mitigation efforts, and changes in priorities, and resubmit it for approval within five (5) years in order to continue to be eligible for mitigation project grant funding.

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Emergency Management Agency has established the Warren County Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee and they have, through an organized planning process, identified local problems and mitigation activities to help reduce hazards, damages, and loss of life during a natural hazard event; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 5-year plan update recommends many hazard mitigation actions that will protect the people and property affected by the natural hazards that face warren county; and

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Hazard Mitigation Committee held monthly public planning meetings from November 2019 through March 2020 to review and revise the plan as required by law; and will hereby be implemented, monitored, evaluated, and updated annually by the warren county hazard mitigation committee. The Warren County Board of Commissioners will be the public authority to promote and oversee the continued maintenance of this plan.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Trustees of UNION TOWNSHIP, Warren County, Ohio, the majority of all members elected thereto concurring, that:

Section 1: The Warren County Hazard Mitigation 5-Year Plan Update is hereby adopted as the official multi-jurisdictional plan of Warren County, Ohio. By participating in the Warren County plan and county planning process this municipality will be eligible to make applications for hazard mitigation grant program funding

Section 2: The Warren County Emergency Management Agency has entered into an agreement, in the manner provided by law, under the Ohio Revised Code, as amended, and has the power to coordinate and unify the comprehensive emergency management activities of the participants, thereof, including the various municipal corporations and the unincorporated jurisdictions of Warren County, Ohio, and

Section 3: The respective county, city, and village officials identified in the strategy of the 5-year hazard mitigation plan update are hereby requested to participate in addressing the recommended mitigation actions assigned to them. These officials will report annually on their hazard mitigation activities, accomplishments, and progress to the Warren County Hazard Mitigation Committee under the direction of the Warren County Board of Commissioners.

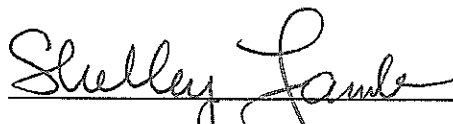
Section 4: This resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Trustee Vonderhaar moved for adoption of Resolution No. 101920-01, seconded by Trustee Ledford. The resolution passed after the following vote:

Trustee Fred Vonderhaar – “yes”    Trustee Tony Ledford – “yes”    Trustee Jamie Allen – “yes”

PASSED DATE: OCTOBER 19, 2020

CERTIFIED BY:

  
SHELLEY LAMB, FISCAL OFFICER