

UNION TOWNSHIP – WARREN COUNTY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES – Regular Meeting – March 15, 2021

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, 3/15/21 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 Chief Napier. Mr. Vonderhaar led everyone in The Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS IN ATTENDANCE (IF KNOWN): None were in attendance.

POLICE SUMMARY: No officers were in attendance.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Napier said the Ford Medic was in for repairs, but should be back in the next few days. He then stated he was going to start looking for a new truck, as his was now seven years old and has been having a few issues. He will start looking and have more information on a new vehicle at a future meeting. Chief Napier stated he now can have back ground checks done at the Warren County Sheriff's Office where they will bill the Township for them, so no more reimbursements to employees will need to be done. Chief Napier said there would be an Easter Egg Hunt held on 3/27/21. Chief Napier also said he would like to see the Memorial Day Parade & Service held in the Township this year. He would look into any COVID protocol issues concerning this event and will get back with the Trustees with the information at the next meeting. Chief Napier commented on a run his department made earlier in the week. He mentioned the gentleman seemed to be on "bath salts" which he hasn't seen in a while and is hoping they are not making a comeback. Chief Napier mentioned there has been no new Police Sergeant assigned to the Township yet, since Sergeant Boylan's retirement earlier this month.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Josh Sandlin stated he had a resident complain that people were cutting the corner on Apache Run & Arapaho Drive and driving into their yard. Mr. Sandlin was going to try a few things to see if any would help with this situation. Mr. Sandlin said he received a call from Betty Todd on Riley Street in Highland Park about flooding issues. This water is coming from a catch basin in the Lowe's parking lot. Mr. Sandlin cleaned this basin out last year after the same complaints. He thinks the catch basin is clogged up again, so he will clean it out and monitor the situation.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT: The Fiscal Officer presented the bills to pay, fund status, cemetery deeds, etc. thru March 15, 2021. All were signed and approved by the Board of Trustees.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Ledford stated he received a complaint about the curve on Dry Run at Aberlin Farm. There was berm and gravel put in this area last year, but they eventually disappear due to all the vehicles on this road. Mr. Sandlin normally has to berm it every year and he may try some new things to see if it makes a difference. Mr. Ledford mentioned the Village of South Lebanon Clean-Up Day is on April 10, 2021.

Mr. Ledford made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting held on 3/1/21, seconded by Mr. Vonderhaar. The motion was carried by all "yeas".

Mr. Ledford said Chris Koch agreed to continue as the Warren County Regional Planning Commission Representative for Union Township.

Mr. Allen made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all "yeas".

Mr. Vonderhaar stated there will be a tire collection at the Turtlecreek Township & Fire Department Building on St. Rt. 123 in Lebanon on April 10, 2021.

Mr. Vonderhaar said he was notified by the Warren County Engineer's Office that the driveway tile at the Yantos property on Glosser-Richardson Road has been installed.

Mr. Vonderhaar stated the trailers/posts/etc. on Glosser-Richardson Road that were addressed to the appropriate homeowner have been moved back or removed completely. He would like Mr. Ledford, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Sandlin to check this road also, to make sure they think the changes are to the Township's satisfaction.

Mr. Vonderhaar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Allen, to raise the pay of Township employee, Cory Smith, by \$1.00/hour. The motion was carried by all "yeas". This increase, which was requested by Mr. Sandlin at a previous meeting, will begin with the next pay period.

Mr. Vonderhaar said he received the new health insurance plan for the Township. Open enrollment is set to begin on 5/1/21. He will discuss the new plan at a later meeting to be certain all information has been received.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mr. Vonderhaar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ledford to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m. The motion was carried by all "yeas".

The next meeting will be Monday, April 5, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.