

UNION TOWNSHIP – WARREN COUNTY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES – Regular Meeting – August 16, 2021

CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Union Township Board of Trustees was called to order by President of the Board, Fred Vonderhaar on Monday, 8/16/21 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 and Tony Ledford. Jamie Allen was absent. Prayer was led by Mr. Ledford. Mr. Vonderhaar led everyone in The Pledge of Allegiance.

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

POLICE SUMMARY: Deputy Troy Black had nothing to report.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT: Josh Sandlin was not in attendance.

CHIEF’S REPORT: Chief Napier stated he would like to use the rest of the Cares Act Covid Fund (\$19,095.28) for a new furnace/air filtration system for the firehouse. He will be getting a quote soon. Chief Napier is still waiting on the Prosecutor’s Office review of the lease agreement to purchase the new heart monitors. The concrete pour at the firehouse should be completed later this week, except for a small area where Duke needs to move one of their poles. Chief Napier reported the dry hydrant at Aberlin Springs was operational when they checked it on 8/13/21.

FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT: The Fiscal Officer presented the bills to pay, fund status, cemetery deeds, etc. thru August 16, 2021. All were signed and approved by the Board of Trustees.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Ledford made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Mr. Vonderhaar. The motion was carried by all “yeas”.

Mr. Vonderhaar made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting held on 8/2/21, seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all “yeas”.

Mr. Vonderhaar reported there was an email received from a resident concerning an area between Cox-Smith Road & I-71. This person felt it was an unsafe area for motorists. Mr. Vonderhaar stated this road is not in Union Township and is in the City of Lebanon.

Mr. Vonderhaar said there was a report of an overflowing garbage can left out on Trovillo Road that never gets picked up or emptied by any refuse company. Chief Napier said he would go out and see if he could contact the resident at the property to get this garbage removed.

Mr. Vonderhaar stated he and Mr. Sandlin went out to Aberlin Springs last week for the subdivision walk through and after the minor punch list is completed, Union Township will take over the road maintenance.

Mr. Vonderhaar moved for adoption of Resolution # 08162021-01 (The National Opioid Settlement Agreement - see attached), seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all “yeas”.

Mr. Vonderhaar mentioned there is a new funding opportunity from ODOT, the Township Stimulus Program. Applications can be submitted for roadway repairs, sidewalks, guardrails, culverts, etc. The application also must be supported by the Warren County Engineer. Mr. Vonderhaar said he will contact the Warren County Engineer’s Office for their input on possible project locations in Union Township.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mr. Vonderhaar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ledford to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m. The motion was carried by all “yeas”. The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 7, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

**UNION TOWNSHIP
WARREN COUNTY, OHIO
Resolution # 08162021-01**

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE MATERIAL TERMS OF THE ONE OHIO SUBDIVISION SETTLEMENT PURSUANT TO THE ONE OHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF THE JULY 21, 2021 NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING the Union Township Board of Trustees to execute the Participation Agreement for the OneOhio Subdivision Settlement with McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc, and AmerisourceBergen Corporation (“Settling Distributors”) pursuant to the OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding regarding the pursuit and use of potential opioid litigation settlement funds and consistent with the material terms of the July 21, 2021 proposed National Opioid Distributor Settlement Agreement available at <https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/>.

WHEREAS, Union Township, Warren County, Ohio (herein “Municipality”) is a Township formed and organized pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Ohio and its communities have been harmed by misfeasance, nonfeasance and malfeasance committed by certain entities within the Opioid Pharmaceutical Supply Chain; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through its Attorney General, and certain Local Governments, through their elected representative and counsel, are separately engaged in litigation seeking to hold Opioid Pharmaceutical Supply Chain Participants accountable for the damage caused by their misfeasance, nonfeasance and malfeasance; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through its Governor and Attorney General, and its Local Governments share a common desire to abate and alleviate the impacts of that misfeasance, nonfeasance and malfeasance throughout the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the State and its Local Governments, subject to completing formal documents effectuating the Parties Agreements, have drafted and the Union Township Board of Trustees has adopted, and hereby reaffirms its adoption of, a OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) relating to the allocation and the use of the proceeds of any potential settlements described; and

WHEREAS, the MOU has been collaboratively drafted to maintain all individual claims while allowing the State and Local Governments to cooperate in exploring all possible means of resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Union Township Board of Trustees understands that an additional purpose of the MOU is to create an effective means of distributing any potential settlement funds

obtained under the MOU between the State of Ohio and Local Governments in a manner and means that would promote an effective and meaningful use of the funds in abating the opioid epidemic throughout Ohio, as well as to permit collaboration and explore potentially effectuation earlier resolution of the Opioid Litigation against Opioid Pharmaceutical Supply Chain Participants; and

WHEREAS, nothing in the MOU binds any party to a specific outcome, but rather, any resolution under the MOU requires acceptance by the State of Ohio and the Local Governments; and

WHEREAS, a settlement proposal is being presented to the State of Ohio and Local Governments by distributors AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal, and McKesson (collectively the "Settling Distributors") to resolve governmental entity claims in the State of Ohio using the structure of the OneOhio MOU and consistent with the material terms of the July 21, 2021 proposed National Opioid Distributor Settlement Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Union Township Board of Trustees wishes to agree to the material terms of the proposed National Opioid Distributor Settlement Agreement with the Settling Distributors (the "Proposed Settlement"):

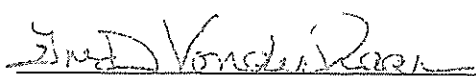
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE UNION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES, WARREN COUNTY, OHIO.

Section 1. That the Union Township Board of Trustees hereby accepts or is authorized to accept the Proposed Settlement on behalf of Union Township, Warren County, Ohio, pursuant to the terms of the OneOhio MOU.

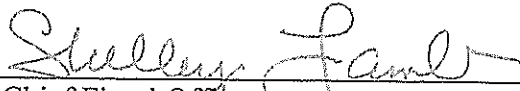
Section 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Union Township Board of Trustees relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 3. This Resolution (#08162021-01) is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, welfare, and safety of Union Township, Warren County, Ohio. The reason for the emergency is to ensure prompt pursuit of funds to assist in abating the opioid epidemic throughout Ohio.

Mr. Vonderhaar moved for adoption of the foregoing resolution, being seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all "yeas" and the resolution passed. Adopted this 16th day of August 2021.



President of the Board



Chief Fiscal Officer