

UNION TOWNSHIP – WARREN COUNTY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES – Regular Meeting – June 20, 2023

CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Union Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Vice-President of the Board, Tony Ledford on Tuesday 6/20/23 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. Chris Koch was absent. The prayer was led by Mr. Vonderhaar. Mr. Ledford led everyone in The Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS IN ATTENDANCE (IF KNOWN): Jim Bowman, Steve Riley, Julian Lewis, Dale Crutchfield, and Justin Bedocs were in attendance.

Mr. Crutchfield of 2216 Stubbs Mill Road wanted to voice a complaint about his neighbor's property on Stubbs Mill Road due to excessive dog barking. Union Township does not have any noise ordinances in effect and suggested he speak to the Warren County Zoning Office, which Mr. Crutchfield had already done to no avail.

Mr. Bedocs of the Warren County Soil & Water Conservation District stopped by to extend an invitation to the Little Miami River paddle tour and luncheon. This is to promote conservation projects along the river.

Mr. Lewis said the lot in Manistique Lakes that there's always an issue with, had been mowed by the owner recently.

POLICE SUMMARY: Sergeant Adams & Deputy Pangallo had nothing to report, although they did suggest that Mr. Crutchfield, who had already left the meeting at that point, may want to contact the Warren County Dog Warden to see what else can be done to alleviate the barking dog situation.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mr. Sandlin wants to rent some equipment to help with the new section they are working on in Deerfield Cemetery. He is also going to speak to Mark Leader about some road issues in Shawhan Trails.

CHIEF'S REPORT: Chief Napier is working on the short staffing issues within his department. Chief Napier has partnered with some neighborhood kids and the Red Cross for a smoke detector door hanger "blitz". They want to make sure everyone that needs a detector can have access to one.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT: The Fiscal Officer presented the bills to pay, fund status, cemetery deeds, etc. thru June 20, 2023. All were signed and approved by Mr. Vonderhaar & Mr. Ledford. Mrs. Lamb also presented Resolution # 06202023-01, the proposed Union Township Budget for 2024 (see attached). Mr. Vonderhaar moved for adoption of this resolution, seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all "yeas".

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Vonderhaar made a motion to accept the 2024 proposed budget (see attached) from Chief Napier's department, seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all "yeas". Mr. Vonderhaar made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting held on 6/5/23, seconded by Mr. Ledford. The motion was carried by all "yeas". Cost of living adjustments will be examined when all three Union Township Trustees are in attendance. Mr. Vonderhaar had been contacted by Turtlecreek Township Trustee, Jonathan Sams, to see if Union Township was interested in a fire truck "pumper" that they are going to be selling. Chief Napier stated he had no room to store the truck and would let Mr. Sams know.

Mr. Ledford mentioned the mow trim equipment will be available in July. Mr. Ledford made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Mr. Vonderhaar. The motion was carried by all "yeas".

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mr. Ledford made a motion, seconded by Mr. Vonderhaar to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m. The motion was carried by all "yeas". Due to the upcoming holiday & vacation schedules, the next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 5, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.