

Spencer Township Trustee Meeting

January 6, 2022

Roll Call

Trustee Steven Kester	present
Trustee Dean Anderson	present
Trustee Michael Hood	present

Trustee Hood called the meeting to order and the meeting was turned over to the Fiscal Officer.

All Board positions were declared vacant.

The Fiscal Officer oversaw the selection of Board positions for 2022.

The Fiscal Officer entertained a motion for the Chair of the Board position.

Trustee Anderson nominated Trustee Hood as Chair of the Board, Trustee Kester seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

The meeting was turned over to Trustee Hood as Chair of the Board.

Trustee Hood made a motion to nominate Trustee Anderson as Vice Chair of the Board, Trustee Kester seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

Trustees Steven Kester and Michael Hood were acknowledged as the newly elected Trustees in the November 2021 election. Trustees Kester and Hood's bonds were signed and recorded with the State of Ohio.

Trustee Kester is now permitted to sign documents on behalf of the Township, this includes bank warrants and contracts.

Township Meeting Schedule

Trustee Hood entertained the motion that all Township meetings will be held on the first Thursday of the month at the Spencer Township Hall at 7:00pm and the third Thursday of the month at the Spencer Township Hall at 7:00pm if necessary. Trustee Kester made the motion, Trustee Anderson seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

Trustee Hood entertained the motion that Zoning Commission meetings would be held the second Thursday of the month at the Spencer Township Hall at 7:00pm if necessary. Trustee Kester made the motion, Trustee Anderson seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

Trustee Hood entertained the motion that the Spencer Township Board of Zoning Appeals would hold meetings on the 4th Thursday of the month at the Spencer Township Hall at 7:00pm if necessary. Trustee Kester made the motion, Trustee Anderson seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

Trustee Hood entertained the motion that the Joint Economic Development Zone Board would hold meetings the 1st Thursday of the month at the Spencer Township Hall at 6:00pm. Trustee Kester made the motion, Trustee Anderson seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

Minutes

Trustee Kester made a motion to accept the minutes from the December meeting, Trustee Anderson seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

Financials

Payments **\$47,060.52**

Receipts **\$22,167.53**

Fund Balances

General Fund	\$2,465,025.69
Motor Vehicle License	\$23,267.46
Gas Tax	\$84,037.90
Road and Bridge	\$38,790.00
Fire	\$23,482.77
Permissive Motor Vehicle	\$64,190.88
American Rescue Plan	\$68,205.72
Misc. Special Revenue	\$8,781.18
Misc. Capital Projects	<u>\$73,263.49</u>
Total Fund Balance	\$2,849,045.09

Trustee Anderson made a motion to accept the financials, Trustee Kester seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

Trustee Hood asked the Fiscal Officer to request that the interest accrued from the \$700,000.00 Port Authority Revolving loan fund be cashed out to the Township instead of reinvested into the Revolving Loan Fund.

Pay the Bills

Trustee Kester made a motion to pay the bills, Trustee Anderson seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

Zoning

Jacob Barnes gave the zoning report.

It was explained that a zoning request was made to change Township owned property 10900 Shaffer Road from M1 to RA. This matter has already been heard by the Spencer Township Zoning Commission and the Lucas County Planning Commission.

A public hearing was scheduled for tonight on this matter.

Trustee Anderson made a motion to open the public hearing, Trustee Kester seconded. Roll call: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

The Board decided to continue the public hearing until next month.

Trustee Anderson made a motion to continue this matter until the February 2022 meeting, Trustee Kester seconded. Roll call: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

There were several anonymous complaints against the operations at Klumm Brothers on Bancroft which has operated in the Township for decades Mr. Barnes explained.

The anonymous complaints were forwarded to the Lucas County Planning Commission and the Federal Environmental Protection Agency.

Mr. Barnes spoke with Mr. Klumm from Klumm Brothers and inspected the Klumm Brothers property. Mr. Klumm was open and up front with Mr. Barnes and he did not observe any zoning violations at this point. He asked the Board if they wanted him to move forward with any violations to let him know.

The anonymous complaint contained an alleged form from the EPA.

There was some discussion on this matter.

Trustee Anderson stated he believes this government document (EPA form) was falsified and he would like this form sent to the Lucas County Prosecutor to look further into this alleged forgery. There was no signature on the EPA form Trustee Anderson stated. There was discussion on the form which was allegedly from the EPA.

Mr. Barnes will get a copy of the form (EPA) and submit it to the Lucas County Prosecutor on behalf of Spencer Township.

There were a couple zoning violations issued in December.

900 N. Schwamberger Road, the Township is continuing communications with the Lucas County Prosecutor and the Building Department.

Trustee Anderson asked about the 5 blighted areas in the Township that were discussed about 3 or 4 years ago. He would like those properties identified because there is a grant available to aide with such issues. Mr. Barnes will follow up.

Anderson made a motion to add Trustees Kester and Hood to the Township health insurance, Trustee Kester seconded. Roll call: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

Zoning Chair, Mr. Jack Gulvas was wished a Happy 93rd birthday! The Board sang Happy Birthday to Mr. Gulvas!

Road

Dean Croskey gave the road report.

The road report will be attached to the official minutes.

Leaves were picked up in Oak Grove Estates and some in West Winds. The Road department will continue to utilize Thursdays when possible and weather permitting as brush and trash clean up on Township roadsides and right of ways.

Trustee chairs on the dais were replaced. The old chairs need to be decommissioned. They will decommission at a later day when there are more items to decommission. There was discussion on offering items on Gov Deals as a "group".

There was a request to purchase a Case Backhoe/Loader. Mr. Croskey explained the backhoe will pay for itself over time with dollars from grants that are available. The quote received was \$122,458. Mr. Croskey mentioned the Company is backordered at least 6 months. There was discussion on the matter.

Trustee Hood made the motion to purchase the backhoe, Trustee Kester seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

Trustee Hood entertained the idea of leaf collection in West Winds. Trustee Anderson stated the Township did some leaf pickup this year in West Winds. Trustee Anderson said this will help with sewer blockage in the Industrial Park. The Board discussed this and decided that next year the Board will provide leaf collection in the Industrial Park.

There were complaints about no salting on Irwin Road and other major roads in the Township. Trustee Anderson mentioned there was talk that only intersections and roundabouts will be salted by the County in the future. All questions are to be forwarded to the Lucas County Engineers' Office. In the meantime, the Township will monitor it storm by storm. There was discussion that runoff is one of the possible reasons for lack of salting.

JEDZ

Trustee Hood entertained a motion to nominate LaTonya Boyd and Mr. Louis Morgan to the JEDZ Board. Trustee Kester made the motion, Trustee Anderson seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Kester: yes, Trustee Anderson: yes, Trustee Hood: yes.

Correspondence

A letter from the Lucas County Sheriff was read regarding the Lucas County Sheriff's Office discontinuing patrol service ending January 1, 2023. They will charge the Township \$208,650 to continue 24/7 365 service. A payment of \$104,325 will provide 12 hours a day 7 days per week.

Trustee Anderson would like to have another meeting with the Sheriff.

The Township received a \$5000 check from The Nature Conservancy. They realize they do not pay property taxes and the Township needs help with expenses for road, fire and ems.

The 2021 Bridge Inspections were read.

Raab Road over Frankfort Ditch	Excellent
Meilke Road over Drennen Ditch	Satisfactory
Schwamberger over Drennen Ditch	Fair
Degenfelder over Drennen Ditch	Satisfactory
Eber Road over Drennen Ditch	Very Good

There was a quote from Fast Signs for a sign entering Spencer Township. The cost was \$13,030.

There was discussion on the matter as a roundabout may be installed where the proposed sign position would be posted. The matter will be discussed at a later time.

Old Business

No old business

New Business

Trustee Anderson stated the parks are removing all driveways they do not use in the Township. He stated this will help with dumping and flow of water in the Township.

Trustee Kester stated he ran on the platform of getting internet wider spread throughout the Township. He already met with Buckeye and has a meeting set up with ATT. After discussion the Board agreed to move further with Buckeye.

Open to the Public

Jack Gulvas stated a zoning alternate is still needed on the Zoning Board. Trustee Anderson stated it is advertised on the website.

Mr. Gulvas also mentioned neighbors on Shaffer Road are very happy that 10900 was recommended to be rezoned to RA.

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Dawn E. McDonoald
Fiscal Officer

X

Michael B. Hood
Chair of the Board of Trustees

X

Dean Anderson
Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees

X

Steven A. Kester
Trustee