

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SANDUSKY TOWNSHIP  
SANDUSKY COUNTY, OHIO**

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING of April 18, 2023

The Trustees of Sandusky Township met in regular session at Sandusky Township Hall at 6:00 p.m., with the following members present:

Mr. Paul Lotycz

Mr. Mike Willis

Mr. Gilbert Overmyer

Fiscal Officer was not present.

Mr. Mike Willis made motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Gilbert Overmyer seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - yes, Mr. Willis – yes, Mr. Lotycz - yes.

Mr. Gilbert Overmyer made motion to accept and pay the bills. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer – yes, Mr. Willis – yes, Mr. Lotycz - yes.

Ms. Zienta reported the following Revenue and Expenditures:

	4-5-2023 through 4-18-2023	Year to Date
Revenue	43,743.57	500,750.12
Expenditures	24,817.37	303,871.28

Ms. Alexis Schneider Brickner attended meeting.

Mr. Kyle Amor attended meeting.

Mr. Garrett Schneider attended meeting to thank Trustees for approving the fire truck. They are working on some minor things and change orders. He will keep the Board informed throughout the process.

Mr. Garrett has a problem with his neighbor's fence. Every time there is wind, a piece blows off and comes in to his yard. He talked to the owner two weeks and was told it would be repaired and nothing has happened.

Mr. Lotycz stated when the property was split, he was on the Zoning Board of Appeals. He thinks one condition of the split was to put up and maintain a fence. Mr. Lotycz advised Mr. Schneider to get in touch with Zoning Inspector Brian Woods.

Mr. Jim Barney introduced Ms. Gabriela Toscano to the Board. She has begun working for the law firm and will be able to help the township.

Mr. Brent Saionz provided the following report:

- Will begin roadside mowing soon.
- Rolled the cemetery and park.
- Four Mile Cemetery has a lot of ground moles
- Started clearing the brush at the cemetery.

- Attended the chemical class and passed.

Trustees received a complaint from Mr. Ryan Slane, 1913 Riverbend Parkway. He is unhappy with how his yard was left after the pipe project last year. Mr. Chad Bender raked up a bunch of leaves and put grass seed down. Mr. Slane's father-in-law stated they will keep it watered.

The Sandusky County Engineer is having a Safety Training Day on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Overmyer asked if Mr. Saionz has signed up for the training. He has not but will do so soon.

Mr. Dean Schneider provided the following report:

- Unit #8 repair came in under estimate.
- Spoke with GCM today and they will begin the annual DOT inspection and regular maintenance on the vehicles.
- The new pickup will go to Foster's for repairs following the crash it was involved in.
- Fire Truck Unit #4 was involved in an accident at a fire scene. The truck was backed up into a sheriff's cruiser. The insurance company stated the township is not liable for the repairs to the cruiser because of immunity.
- The Fire Department members are discussing fund raising ideas for the new truck.
- The Fire Department will have their annual chicken barbecue on May 7, 2023.
- When the new truck is received, the department will need a spot for the turn-out gear, since the truck that will be replaced was storing them. A gear rack will need to be purchased.
- Garrett Schneider turned in two checks he did not cash in time a wants them replaced.

Mr. Mike Willis discussed long term versus short term. Short term rentals are 30 days and under. Long term rentals are beyond the 30 days. Mr. Willis informed Mr. O'Farrell of this.

Mr. Willis did not see anything from OTARMA that the Kubota mowers were removed from inventory and the new mowers were put on.

Mr. Willis stated that it has come to his attention there was an anonymous tip to the State Board of Elections that he was not living in his house during his November 2021, re-election. He talked with Sandusky County Board of Elections Director Lisa Hartley and told her he did sell the house but not until ~~7-1-2022~~. *1-11-2022 mew*

In the sale agreement, he could stay there as long as he needed to while he was looking. Since he was unable to find anything suitable, he has decided to go another path.

Mr. Mike Willis announced his resignation as of May 31, 2023.

Mr. Paul Lotycz provided an estimate for plastic picnic tables from GDM and provided it to Mr. Overmyer. Estimate for 16 tables is \$21,903.20.

Trustees are working on the farm ground leases with Mr. Michael and Mr. Wagner. Some additions and corrections need to be made.

Mr. Paul Lotycz made motion to accept both leases. Mr. Gilbert Overmyer seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer – yes, Mr. Willis – yes, Mr. Lotycz – yes.

Mr. Lotycz stated Ballville Township has put something out to their residents on electric aggregation and wonders if the township should do something also.

Mr. Overmyer stated the traffic study performed by the county engineer came back. It was done over two days and a total of 144 cars crossed the tracks. It was noted that on both days North Street was closed for repairs and it drove everyone to cross these tracks. This was explained to the Attorney for Norfolk and Southern. They will wait for the township to have another traffic study after the construction on North Street is complete.

Mr. Overmyer talked with Attorney Sarah Nation last fall about clean-up at 678 Summit Street. She stated last year the property was being sold and the new owners would be responsible. Mr. Overmyer drove by over the weekend and nothing has happened. He has call in to Attorney Nation.

Ms. Cyndi Zienta submitted application to the State of Ohio for license plates on the Bobcat. They will be mailed directly from the State.

Ms. Zienta provided new Certificate of Automobile Liability Coverage to be placed in all the vehicles.

Ms. Zienta informed the Board she has submitted the necessary reports to ARP. The report was due by 4-30-2023.

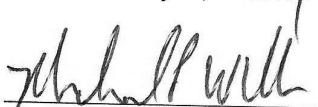
Trustees received a legal opinion from the Sandusky County Prosecutor regarding the appointment of a Deputy Fiscal Officer. The Board reviewed opinion.


Mr. Mike Willis made motion to rescind previous motion to hire Ms. Schneider Brickner as Deputy Fiscal Officer effective immediately. Mr. Gilbert Overmyer seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer – yes, Mr. Willis – yes, Mr. Lotycz – yes.

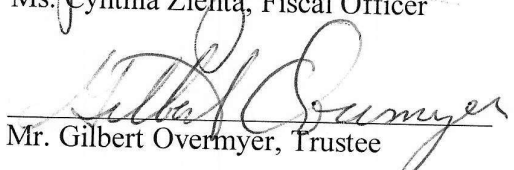
Mr. Mike Willis made motion to hire Ms. Alexis Schneider Brickner as Deputy Fiscal Officer effective 5-1-2023. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer – yes, Mr. Willis – yes, Mr. Lotycz – yes.

At 7:07 p.m. with there being no further Business to come before the Board of Trustees, Mr. Willis made motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Lotycz.

  
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Mr. Paul Lotycz, Trustee

  
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Mr. Mike Willis, Chairman

  
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Ms. Cynthia Zienta, Fiscal Officer

  
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Mr. Gilbert Overmyer, Trustee