

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

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING of December 21, 2021

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

Mr. Mike Willis                      Mr. Gilbert Overmyer

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 - absent.

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

Ms. Zienta reported the following Revenue and Expenditures:

	12-8-2021 through 12-21-2021	Year to Date
Revenue	13,996.13	1,384,396.53
Expenditures	12,921.62	1,116,360.27

Fire Chief Dean Schneider asked Trustees if they received an email from Land Bank Coordinator Brian Woods regarding the new grant program. They will be receiving \$500,000 to tear down vacant and abandoned structures and clean-up properties through the Ohio Department of Development Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Grant program.

The first requirement is every participating township must have a Resolution to allow the Land Bank to act in their place for the demolition/cleanup.

Ms. Cyndi Zienta provided a copy of the email to Trustees.

Mr. Mike Willis will contact Land Bank Coordinator Brian Woods to obtain the Resolution.

Mr. Schneider also reported the following:

- The department is currently performing jaws of life training with Ballville, Clyde and Fremont at Madison Motors.
- He knows Paul Lotycz is getting texts about the used truck and there is a hiccup with the amount being over \$50,000. He recommends to slow down because the new truck they spec'ed out with Baumann's was around \$40,000. The department is getting by with the big truck right now
- Physicals of department members is done.
- The vehicles were inspected last night.
- Things are progressing at the fire department. Looking at creating a committee to replace the equipment van. Cost will be around \$600,000 to \$630,000 and then additional cost install hoses
- Discussed the estimate to purchase a second thermal imaging camera. The first one is older and he is unsure if it can be repaired and/or the cost to repair.
- Still working on having the trucks cleaned after the Artz fire.

Mr. Mike Willis made motion to purchase a thermal imaging camera from First In-Last Out Fire Equipment & Training for \$4,995.00. Mr. Gilbert Overmyer seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - yes, Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - absent.

Mr. Schneider discussed the fire department setting up a 501(C)(3) in order for donors to be able to write-off their donations with Trustees and Attorney Jim Barney.

Mr. Barney explained he can help them create a not for profit corporation- but they would have to see an accountant for the 501(C)(3) designation.

Mr. Schneider explained the department receives donations all the time, in fact they received \$650 last month.

Mr. Willis read the information from Ms. Cyndi Zienta she obtained from the prosecuting attorney on donations.

Mr. Schneider stated the department will hire Mr. Barney to create the corporation for them and then they will go from there. He also noted Lindsey Fire Department has done this same thing.

Road Superintendent Brent Saionz provided the following report:

- Called Universal Farms to obtain a quote to grind the brush pile
- Performed the last leaf pick-up today
- Will finish up road mowing soon.
- The 1990 backhoe is starting to get rough and will need replaced. Have started looking at replacements.
- Installed a catch basin on North River Road

Mr. Gilbert Overmyer asked Mr. Saionz if he could place berm at the corner of St. Rt. 19 and CR 73. Mr. Saionz stated that at this time of year, it will just be pushed away by the snow plow. Mr. Willis suggests placing grindings at that corner.

Mr. Willis talked with County Engineer Carlos Baez about the West Garrison Street drainage problem. Mr. Baez would like to wait until spring and then contact M&B Asphalt to have them look at the area. Mr. Baez is thinking about milling and regrading the area. One potential problem is the nearby house and water running to that property.

Mr. Willis will contact the Adkins to provide an update.

Mr. Willis would like to begin formulating a plan for the property purchased around 4 Mile House Cemetery. He talked with Julie Chudzinski and she provided the following recommendations:

- A crematorium is fairly easy to put up and is cheaper
- An ash spreading area
- Non-vaulted burial area
- Veteran's area (McGormley Cemetery is the only cemetery left that has room for Veteran's)
- Pet cemetery
- Connecting the road down to CR 59

Mr. Willis will contact engineering firms at the beginning of the year to obtain an estimate to engineer the project.

Mr. Overmyer provided an update on 905 Brush Street. The landowner paid Madison Motors the \$4,500 bill for removing the vehicles. He provided all the titles to the vehicles. He did want 4-5 of the vehicles and Madison Motors helped load them on a truck.

Mr. Overmyer drove by the Lopez property on St. Thomas Drive and there is not progress being done. Mr. Overmyer will contact Katherine Lopez.

Mr. Mike Willis made motion to approve a Supplemental Appropriation of \$500.00 to Account Number 1000-110-213-0000 - Medicare. Mr. Gilbert Overmyer seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - yes, Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - absent.

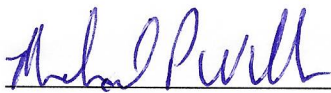
Ms. Zienta has updated the Faithful Performance of Duty coverage with Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA) adding Lotycz and Willis to the coverage.

Ms. Zienta provided Oath of Office forms to Lotycz and Willis. Both will be sworn in and return a copy for filing.

Mr. Jim Darr, OSS Solid Waste District provided information on Holiday Recycling Service and the increase due to Christmas and warm weather.

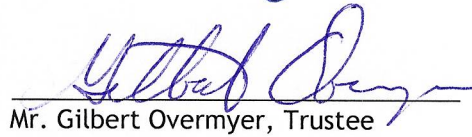
At 6:59 p.m. with there being no further Business to come before the Board of Trustees, Mr. Willis made motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Overmyer.

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Mr. Paul Lotycz, Chairman



Mr. Mike Willis, Trustee

  
Ms. Cynthia Zienta, Fiscal Officer

  
Mr. Gilbert Overmyer, Trustee