

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

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING of February 1, 2022

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

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

Ms. Zienta reported the following Revenue and Expenditures:

	1-19-2022 through 2-1-2022	Year to Date
Revenue	21,891.68	24,573.98
Expenditures	43,493.10	93,305.91

Trustees reviewed Management Reports.

Mr. and Mrs. John and Jessica Kinkaid, 209 E CR 73 attended meeting. Mr. Kinkaid stated he received a letter and was not sure if he should be at this meeting or the Zoning Board meeting. Mr. Kinkaid would like some clarification. He states this has been going on for a while and Mr. Don Bixler is a neighbor.

Former Zoning Inspector Matt Hoffman told him he was in good shape with his buildings. Mr. Bixler had more issues and the list is has grown.

Mr. Mike Willis explained that Mr. Hoffman and Mr. Bixler are no longer the Zoning Inspector. The new inspector is Mr. Brian Woods. Trustees are trying to keep things on the straight and narrow and want to do things right and hopes he does also.

Mr. Kinkaid asked what would be right. Mr. Willis asked if he had a permit for the chicken coup and the red bard in the back.

Mr. Kincaid stated the barn in the ack does have a permit issued by Mr. Hoffman and the chicken coup does not.

Mr. Hoffman told him Mr. Bixler and Mr. Dan Linder complained to him several times about the chickens and Mr. Hoffman stated he had enough acreage and frontage that he could do whatever he wanted to because he does not live in the subdivision.

It was noted the chicken coup is on wheels and he moves it around so the chickens are always on grass.

Mr. Paul Lotycz stated that Zoning has changed. In the past, buildings up to a 10x10 didn't need a permit but now all buildings need a permit.

Mr. KinKaid explained the chicken are for a 4-H project for his kids. He also stated that in one letter from Mr. Bixler he said it could a \$500 fine for not complying. Mr. Kinkaid read the zoning resolution and it is a \$100 for residential use and \$500 for commercial use.

Mr. Lotycz asked about his acreage because you need 5 to have chickens.

Mr. Kinkaid has read the resolution and read through the minutes and there have been other people in this situation and were allowed to have 4-H chickens and he thinks it would be harsh to make an example out of them.

Mr. Kinkaid explained one parcel is 3 acres and zoned R-1 and the other is 2 acres and zoned S-1. All of the items in question are located on the parcel zoned S-1. His home is located on the R-1 property.

Zoning Inspector Brian Woods stated technically by zoning, you can't have chickens, sheep, goats, llamas, anything like that for any reason unless it is zoned agriculture. You can make a request to the Appeals Board for an exception.

Mrs. Kinkaid noted their one parcel is zoned S-1 which is agriculture.

Mr. Woods stated that if it is agriculture then they can have the chickens. They will still need a permit stating it is agriculture and there will be no permit fee.

The next issue was the shipping container the Kinkaid's have. Mr. Kinkaid said the zoning resolution states "No shipping containers, semi-trailers, temporary or permanent, shall be allowed in any R-1, R-2, R-3 district, or within 400 feet of a residence in District A.

Mr. Woods stated that if it is not on wheels and no one is living in it, it is okay. It is considered a shed.

He will still have to get a permit for it and meet the setbacks. Mr. Woods will look into the resolution to be certain.

Mr. Kinkaid would like to move the container as so as the weather permits.

Mr. Kinkaid will contact Mr. Woods on getting the permits.

Mr. Lotycz would like to get a Resolution on chickens because it is good for kids to have a project and keep them out of trouble.

Mr. Woods discussed the Land Bank and provided the following update:

- The Land Bank is busy with the grant to remove blighted properties
- One house on Port Clinton Road will be done. The Pescador property.
- Another house on Port Clinton Road will probably not be done.
- Working on his neighbor on CR 97. Have called him and do not get a response. Owner lives in Vermillion. The sheriff's department has placed a warning on the door. Chief Dean Schneider recommends getting a good address on the owner from the Auditor's website and sending them a letter first before doing the nuisance.
- Have had 16 people sign for the removal of their structures.
- He has been working on the old Mercury Sign building on Fifth Street. The owner wants it torn down and Mr. Woods received an estimate of \$27,000 to remove it. The owner asked if he could have help removing property inside the building he estimated is worth \$60,000.

Mr. Brent Saionz provided the following report:

- All the vehicles are ready for the upcoming snow.
- Discussed all the repairs done to the equipment that has been done.
- Will put the bucket on the Kubota for Mr. Paul Lotycz to plow snow during the upcoming storm
- Provided an estimate from Charlie's Small Engine for the purchase of three mowers. Mr. Lotycz talked to different vendors regarding mowers at the Township Convention he recently attended.
- Is getting a quote for a camera to be placed at the fuel station

After reviewing estimate from Charlie's Small Engine's, Mr. Mike Willis made motion to purchase the following:

- FR5901872 ISX3300BVE40 72" - \$15,599.00
- FR5901907 IS 600Z w 48" deck - \$6,349.00
- FR5902023 ISX800Z 52" deck - \$8,299.00

For a total amount of \$30,247.00. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - absent, Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - yes.

Trustees received a letter of resignation from Mr. Larry Rathfelder. Due to a change in insurance, he cannot be employed by the township.

Trustees and Mr. Saionz discussed hiring another part time person to plow snow when needed. Mr. Lotycz will help plow snow.

Mr. Saionz received an estimate from Streaker Tractor Sales for the purchase of a new 2022 Alamo cutting head.

After reviewing, Mr. Mike Willis made motion to purchase a New 2022 Alamo 74" Flail Cutting Head for \$13,189.60 from Streaker Tractor Sales. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - absent, Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - yes.

Mr. Dean Schneider provided the following update:

- January 2022 Fire Calls - 9
- Provided information on the Mutual Aid call from Fremont Fire at 1600 Pontiac Avenue (Celek Warehouses)
- Declared the property at 1530 North Street so the Sandusky County Land Bank can move forward with cleaning up the property.
- Atlantic Emergency Solutions Unit 2 & 8

Mr. Schneider informed the Board he is having issues with Sandusky County Dispatch that he will have to address.

- Not on good terms with the Sandusky County Sheriff right now
- Sandusky County Fire Departments are not on good terms with the Sandusky County Sheriff right now
- The Sheriff is in charge of dispatching and he wants to take over 911 and all the 911 funds
- The Sheriff does not want 911 under Emergency Management Agency (EMA)
- Commissioner Russ Zimmerman was at the County Wide meeting Wednesday night and was asked his stance on it and it is very clear that no one wants the Sheriff to take over 911.
- A comment was made that if dispatch is fixed then they may consider it.
- Approximately 6-7 years ago they were going to put in a new 911 system. They have spent 1.6 million with Central Square and have gotten nowhere. The County Prosecutor is trying to get some of the money returned. They have to start the process over.
- At the 911 meeting, the Sheriff was asked what he would do with the money if he takes over 911 - would all the money go to 911. The Sheriff told them that some of the money will be used as what he deems needed for communications.
- Yesterday, dispatch called Sandusky Township out to Casa Fiesta in Ballville Township. Mr. Schneider called dispatch and told them it is Ballville and asked if they needed something. After some silence, she apologized for the mistake and then put out a disregard page. Ballville was never called. EMS First Responders were on standby
- Charlie (Baxter) is on TAC (Tactical Advisory Committee) and if Mr. Schneider has an issue with dispatch, he is to tell Charlie and he takes it to the meeting. Mr. Schneider is not waiting on that. He has called Chief Jackson and will call Ballville Chief Bob Lagrou. Tomorrow, he is going to obtain the call details.

Mr. Mike Willis received a message regarding the Rail Road intersection on Sand Road and needs to follow up on that. Mr. Schneider is not in favor of abandoning it.

Sandusky County Commissioner Scott Miller called Mr. Willis and informed him that he could not make the meeting tonight. Mr. Miller asked that Mr. Willis convey that the Sandusky County Commissioners are in no way, shape or form considering Residential Codes.

Mr. Lotycz attended a class at the Ohio Township Association Convention on JEDD's (Joint Economic Development Districts). Currently, Attorney Albers is redoing the proposal to the City of Fremont with changing the split to 60/40. Mr. Lotycz has not been contacted by the City of Fremont yet.

Mr. Lotycz also learned that if the township does a Resolution for the Park, the ARP money can be spent on whatever they want for the park.

Mr. Saionz reported they found 4 breakers in the shop that were arcing inside the box. Mr. Saionz called Burkett Electric and they replaced all the breakers and checked all the lights around the buildings.

Mr. Lotycz provided receipts from the convention:

- Convention registration - \$100
- Parking - \$15
- Mileage - 210 miles

Mr. Lotycz also provided his Oath of Office.

Ms. Cyndi Zienta reports that out of the 14 missing Zoning Board meeting minutes, she has only received 1.

Mr. Lotycz asked Mr. Saionz if his wife is the Secretary of the Zoning Board and he said she is. Trustees asked if he could have her get the minutes turned in. The Zoning Board is a public meeting and the minutes have to be done.

Mr. Saionz turned in a copy of his cell phone bill for reimbursement. Ms. Zienta had some questions on the bill.

Mr. Saionz has been receiving \$22.50/month which reflects half of the cost of \$45/month for number 419-607-0003.

Mr. Saionz turned in his new plan charges. On December 19, 2021, he changed the plan on 419-680-8072 from a single unlimited talk text for \$30/month to a Business Unlimited for \$65/month.

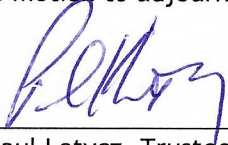
This is not the cell phone that Trustees agreed to cover the costs on 7-20-2021.

(Please see minutes from 7-20-2021 and 8-17-2021).

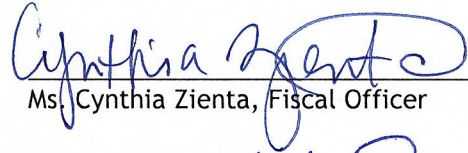
Mr. Saionz explained that in the past he took the sim card out of his old phone and put in the new phone. He was not getting unlimited minutes anymore so he changed the sim card back and switched back to his old number. He still carries both phones.

Mr. Mike Willis made motion to pay 50% of Mr. Saionz plan which will be \$32.50. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded motion. Vote as follows; Mr. Overmyer - absent, Mr. Lotycz - yes, Mr. Willis - yes.

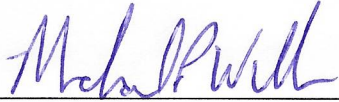
At 7:27 p.m. with there being no further Business to come before the Board of Trustees, Mr. Lotycz made motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Willis.



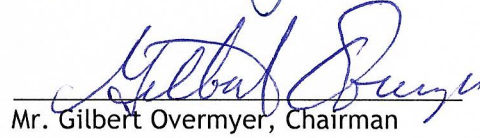
Mr. Paul Lotycz, Trustee



Ms. Cynthia Zienta, Fiscal Officer



Mr. Mike Willis, Trustee



Mr. Gilbert Overmyer, Chairman