

**Board of Trustees of Sandusky Township
Sandusky County, Ohio**

Minutes of Regular Meeting of October 1, 2024

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

Gilbert Overmyer, Paul Lotycz, and Kyle Amor

Fiscal officer Alexis Brickner was in attendance.

The minutes from the September 17, 2024 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to accept the minutes with no additions or corrections by Paul. Kyle seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed. The minutes from the Emergency Meeting of September 19, 2024 were reviewed. A motion was made to accept the minutes with no additions or corrections by Paul. Chip seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed. The minutes from the Emergency Meeting of September 23, 2024 were reviewed. A motion was made to accept the minutes with no additions or corrections by Chip. Paul seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

The revenues and expenditures were reported by Alexis as follows:

	September 17 – September 30	YTD
Revenue	\$14, 568.71	\$1,083,419.08
Expenditures	\$20,656.63	\$1,104,918.44

Paul made a motion to accept and pay the bills. Kyle seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

Julie Hasselbach with Sprouse Insurance attended the meeting. Julie presented the health insurance renewal information along with new quotes for alternative plans. Julie explained that the plan we currently have will renew on November 1st and has a premium reduction of 5%. Several comparisons were pulled, however Medical Mutual was the only company who quoted a premium that was lower than what we are paying now. The first quote from Medical Mutual was for 80/20 co-insurance with a \$2000 individual deductible and \$4000 for family. The monthly premium would be \$16,000 but have more out of pocket. The second quote from Medical Mutual is an 80/20 HRA plan. The out of pocket expenses would remain the same as the current plan for employees but the township would fund \$6,650 for individuals and \$13,300 for families. This plan also carries a monthly premium of \$18,428. Chip made a motion to continue with our current health plan with Medical Mutual. Paul seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

Dean Schneider of the fire department attended the meeting and gave the following update:

- 15 runs for the month of September
- Received 18 pairs of boots. Contacted State Fire Marshal's office and explained that the boots were just delivered but a check would be cut on October 1 verifying the proper use of the grant funds. The Marshal's office confirmed that the obligation had been fulfilled upon receipt of the invoice
- Will contact BWC to determine what information is needed to verify proper use of grant funds from them
- National Hose Testing Specialties completed hose testing. All hose passed inspection

- Still awaiting confirmation from MARCS Radio regarding the parts needed to update the radios. Also waiting to hear a response regarding the grant we were awarded to help with the cost of upgrades
- No updates on the new truck but expecting to make a trip to Pennsylvania after the fall to lay out the interior.

Kyle shared the following updates:

- Interviewed 5 people for the Zoning Inspector position over the last week and a half. Discussed each candidate.

Chip made a motion to hire Brandi Baez for the position of Zoning Inspector. Kyle seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

Paul will reach out to Ms. Baez and offer her the position. Alexis will contact the other candidates and let them know the Board's decision.

Paul inquired about the rate of pay for the position. The board discussed the rate, and will offer Ms. Baez \$600/month plus mileage.

Paul shared the following updates:

- Attend the County Budget Commission Committee meeting with Alexis. Explained that the townships are currently getting 0.8% of the Local Government funds that the County receives from the State. The townships in attendance argued that 53% of the population of the county lives within the townships, therefore the townships should receive a larger percentage of those funds. Auditor Miller explained that the disbursement of funds could be adjusted for 2026 but the Commissioners and the largest city would have to agree to make a change to the percentages. The County is currently receiving 50% of the funds and the largest city, Fremont, is currently receiving 20%. We will meet again after the new year to discuss possible changes.
- Key for the community meeting room door has been sticking. May need to replace door handle.

Alexis received a letter for an upcoming grant from the Parks Department. Passed information on to Paul. Chip advised that Sullivan's does have trees available and is willing to meet with the Trustees to look at options. The Trustees will go over and look on Thursday. Paul would like to look into Tree Sponsorships; allowing people to sponsor a tree and a plaque would be placed in front of it. Alexis will work on a sponsorship form.

Brent Saionz of the roads department attended the meeting and gave the following update:

- Spoke with Streakers regarding the new mower. There is an issue with the exhaust and the way the mower is mounted. A bracket is being adjusted and will fix the issue.
- Old mower is on GovDeals. Expires on October 14.
- Old Kubota is cleaned up and waxed for the end of the season

Brent inquired about the building for the cemetery. Chip advised that it is at the Miller lot and will be brought up in the next week or two.


Chip shared the following updates:

- Tickets for the Sandusky County Communities Foundation dinner are available. Chip and his wife will be attending, Dean will attend as well. The grant that was awarded to the Township will be presented that night.
- Received a call from resident who lives in front of Wilhelm Auto Parts. Wilhelm will be expanding their parking lot and are going to require the renters of the house to park out front. Wanted to know what could be done about it. Wilhelm's are the owners of the house, Chip advised that they own both properties and are able to expand their lot as they would like.

Kyle inquired about the status of M&B doing work within the township. Paul advised that M&B contacted him and will begin milling Werth Road first and then will move the Hospitality Court.

Next meeting is October 15th at 6 pm.

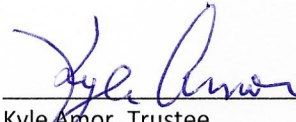
Paul made a motion to adjourn. Kyle seconded the motion. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.



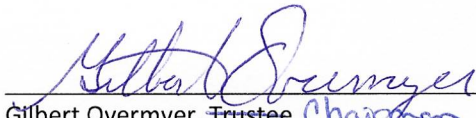
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