

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

Minutes of Regular Meeting of July 2, 2024

The Trustees of Sandusky Township met in regular session at Sandusky Township Hall at 6:04 p.m., with the following members present:

Paul Lotycz, Gilbert Overmyer and Kyle Amor

Fiscal officer Alexis Brickner was present.

The minutes from the June 18, 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 revenues and expenditures were reported by Alexis as follows:

	June 18- July 1	YTD
Revenue	\$31,686.83	\$652,472.20
Expenditures	\$50,366.75	\$798,433.19

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

Jeanne Lajti attended the meeting to observe.

Barbara Bristley attended the meeting. Ms. Bristley stated that she heard in a recording from a previous Trustee Meeting, that the Commissioners attended the quarterly Township Association meeting and a comment was made at a different meeting, that in the State of Ohio, Townships were simply just a placeholder until they were absorbed by another municipality. Ms. Bristley inquired about the Trustees thoughts on these comments. Chip commented that he can see that happening with the Townships and the City of Fremont. The City keeps chipping away at Townships and has been unwilling to work with the Township on projects in the future. Paul commented that he could see it happening in the future but doesn't think it will happen soon. He commented that there is no way to stop the city from annexing a property but we are working on projects to try and protect the Townships as much as possible. Paul has presented his position on these issues to Representative Click and spent time in Columbus trying to prevent further encroachment on the Township.

Brad Bristley attended the meeting to observe.

Kay Saionz attended the meeting to observe.

Matt Sowers attended the meeting. Matt advised the board that he began building his home a few years ago and wanted to split the property that he was building on. He previously worked with Zoning Inspector, Don Bixler and the zoning board to ensure he had all the necessary steps completed to split the property. He just recently met with Mike Szabo of Regional Planning and he denied the split because there is not enough frontage on the property. Matt advised the board that everyone was aware this would be a problem because the property is "pie" shaped. Matt would like to know what he does now since the Zoning Inspector, the Zoning Board, the Health

Department, and the surveyor had all agreed to him splitting the property but Mike Szabo is telling him he cannot? The board asked Mr. Sowers to forward all the documents he has to Chip. Chip is going to forward the information to Attorney Barney and find out what his options are and what the board can possibly do. Matt will attend the next meeting and speak with Attorney Barney.

Brian Woods, Zoning Inspector, attended the meeting and gave the following update:

- Several complaints regarding chickens on Port Clinton Road. The chickens are in the neighbors yards and are digging up their flowers. The neighbors have spoken with the owner, Brian has stopped at the residence 4 times and called her 2 times but she will not answer or return the calls. Brian is sending her a Notice of Violation via Certified Mail. If she does not accept the letter, Brian will forward on to Mr. Barney
- Received a complaint regarding the vacation rental on Stewart Drive. The security lights on the house were shining into Mrs. Pence's home. Brian and Chip went to the property. The lights were moved by the property manager and should no longer be causing an issue.
- Spoke with property owners along the river regarding the floodplain. He recommended they get surveys of their property and find out the height of the floodplain and if an exception can be made.
- Met with Mrs. Jones who owns a lot on Dickinson and wants to build. Mrs. Jones spoke with the health department about putting a septic system in. The health department advised that the lot wasn't big enough. She spoke with the city to connect to their sewer and they advised it was too far away. Brian will not issue her a permit with the Health Department denying her.

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

- East side is mowed. Working on the west side but both tractors went down this afternoon. A hydraulic hose blew on one and it was replaced and is back working again. The other tractor's swing link on the 3 point hitch was torn. Parts are ordered to fix it but they won't be in until next week.
- Tree in front of the Fire Station was removed.
- Cemeteries are sprayed for weeds.
- New sprayer tank has a pin hole. Tank is being replaced by the manufacturer and just arrived at TSC.
- Lime Street repaving was completed.
- Patched sidewalks around building
- Discussed options for new loader

Kyle shared the following updates:

- Received a call from Steve and Cassi Stotz on E County Road 73 regarding the smell of the sewer pump near their house on the hot days. Kyle advised them to contact the Sewer Board.

Paul shared the following updates:

- Attended Township conference in Columbus to hear updates

Chip shared the following updates:

- Discussed the sale of property to Ag Credit. The Board decided they are not interested in selling at this time.
- Discussed the purchase of the Haynes property North of the building. Chip advised that Mr. Haynes would be interested in selling the property for \$210k. The Board still feels this price is too high and are not interested at this point.
- Spoke with Jeff McCormack at McCormack painting. Their quote is still good, they are able to come out in the next two weeks to power wash, prime and paint the undersides of the shelter houses. The board would like to review other options for the shelter houses before making a decision.
- Brittany LeJune has sent emails regarding the intersection of St. Thomas and St. Peters. The County is completing a traffic study via the city. Once the results are available, a decision will be made.
- Presented Resolution stating that fireworks are banned if anyone receives any calls.

Alexis shared the following updates:

- Presented a Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax and Levies and Certifying them to the County Auditor.

Paul made a motion to adopt the Resolution. Chip seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and a roll call vote was taken:

Kyle Amor: Yes

Paul Lotycz: Yes

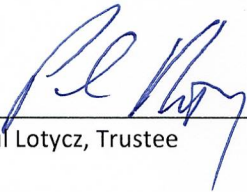
Gilbert Overmyer: Yes

The motion passed.

- Advised that The City of Fremont has paid their first half of taxes for the annexed properties. Alexis will obtain a breakdown of the properties they paid on.

The next meeting will be July 16, 2024 at 6 pm.

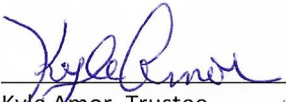
With no further business before the board, Paul made a motion to adjourn. Kyle seconded the motion. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.




Paul Lotycz, Trustee



Alexis Brickner, Fiscal Officer



Kyle Amor, Trustee



Gilbert Overmyer, Chairman