

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

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING of November 2, 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. Paul Lotycz

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 - yes.

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 - yes.

Ms. Zienta reported the following Revenue and Expenditures:

	10-20-2021 through 11-2-2021	Year to Date
Revenue	83,508.18	1,332,157.55
Expenditures	41,344.52	1,025,490.88

Trustees reviewed Management Reports.

The Credit Card Account Transaction Detail was reviewed.

Mr. Gary Morykwas, 567 Crestwood Avenue, attended meeting. Mr. Morykwas lives at the corner of Crestwood and Ravine. Vehicles cut into his yard when turning the corner. When the ground is wet, this ruts up his yard. He just recently fixed four-inch ruts from a truck driving in his yard. There is a catch basin at the corner. Years ago, he placed stakes to deter drivers and the township removed them. He mentioned one neighbor put a pallet wall around his mailbox and mentioned he could put rocks around the property like his neighbor has done. Trustees stated rocks cannot be placed in the right-of-way.

Trustees, Road Superintendent Brent Saionz and Mr. Morykwas discussed several things that could be done to help correct this problem. Trustees will look at it for a possible solution.

Mr. Chris Meadows and Mr. Mike Mitten, 1500 Laurel Street, attended meeting to discuss the issues of them encroaching on township property and the alley.

Mr. Overmyer informed Mr. Mitten the lean-to on the south side of the property needs to be removed because it is located on the right-of-way. A building on the west side is located in the alley and needs to be moved as there is a 10 ft. easement.

Mr. Mitten has taken care of the property for over 30 years. Took down a tree located in the right-of-way. When he bought the property, outhouses were located in the backyards. Three years ago, they requested a storm water problem in the area be fixed and that has never happened.

Mr. Overmyer did state one neighbor has a fence in the alley that needs to be moved.

Mr. Overmyer also stated the township has obtained an easement from the Fairgrounds to install storm water tile in that area. As soon as Mr. Mitten removes the structures, the township will install the drainage.

Mr. Mitten and Mr. Meadows will remove the structures and they will not take care of the right-of-way and alley property anymore.

Mr. Overmyer noted there is a camper with no license plate parked on township property that needs to be moved.

Jon and Natalie Horn, 3251 Port Clinton Road, attended meeting to discuss the fence installed on his business property located on Port Clinton Road. Mr. Horn had always intended to install a fence on the property and believed it was included in the plans approved by the State of Ohio. Upon looking at the permit, the fence was not installed.

Zoning Inspector Brian Woods recommends Mr. Horn apply for a permit without penalties. Mr. Horn apologized for the oversight and will complete the zoning application with Mr. Woods tomorrow.

Mr. Brian Woods sent a violation letter to the owners of the Christy Road property regarding the fence they installed in the front yard. He has not heard from them yet.

Mr. Woods has issued a permit to Mr. Ed Artz on St. Rt 19. Mr. Artz applied for three buildings. Mr. Woods made it clear to Mr. Artz that if he was not using the buildings for agricultural use only, he would have to apply for commercial permits. Mr. Artz signed the permit and stated it was agricultural purposes only.

Mr. Mike Willis contacted Emergency Management Agency Director Lisa Kuehling on the status of the clean-up. She is done with her part and turned it over to the EPA. Ms. Kuehling recommended he contact the Health Department. Mr. Willis talked with County Sanitarian Martha Bowen and she is making a visit to the property this week.

Mr. Dean Schneider provided the following report:

- October 2021 emergency calls - 11
- Unit 2 pumper passed pump testing but they did find a leak
- Unit 8 failed pump testing
- Parts to repair both pumpers will be approximately \$3,300. This does not include labor costs.
- Equipment used at the Artz property fire has been cleaned
- BioCare will be doing fire fighter physicals on December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Joint training with Ballville, Lindsey and City of Fremont fire departments has been scheduled
- Met with IOS Representative Christian Ball for the IOS review. Final report has not been received.
- The Spaghetti Dinner held on October 24<sup>th</sup> was a success. A total of 291 dinners were sold.

The fire department has the following complaints

- Office window has moisture showing up on the inside of it
- The siding is falling off and is cracked in spots
- The concrete needs fixed.

Mr. Paul Lotycz would like to see an overhang installed, replace the siding and the aprons. He would like to get an architect involved to make sure everyone is on the same page.

Mr. Schneider stated Unit 4 Equipment Van will need replaced. Would like to replace it with a rescue pumper truck the costs approximately \$750,000. He asked Trustees start putting money back for that. Mr. Schneider would also like a pickup truck to use as a first responder vehicle.

The Fire Department has EMS items left and wanted to know if Trustees wanted it placed on govdeals or sell to a local fire department. Trustees directed him to sell the items locally after the Board has determined what the items are worth.

Mr. Brent Saionz provided the following report:

- It has been too wet to mow.
- Working on cleaning the property on CR 128. Cleaning around the building. There is a lot of garbage and debris

- Removed 36 truck tires and 8 car tires to the County Engineer for disposal. Have probably three more loads like that to take there. The County Engineer will accept the tires for three more days.
- Installed a brush cutter on the Bobcat to grind brush
- Will get a dumpster on the CR 128 property for the garbage
- Leaf vacuum is ready to go - will start at the end of this week.

Mr. Gilbert Overmyer asked Mr. Saionz to stake and wrap plastic around the remaining trees at the park.

Mr. Saionz received a complaint from Mr. John Adkins about a pothole in front of the Old Church. He would like it taken care of. Mr. Adkins thinks there is enough fall for the township to go through his property and install a catch basin where the pothole is. After much discussion, Mr. Willis will look at the area and come up with a plan.

Sandusky County Commissioner Scott Miller attended meeting and provided the following update:

- Explained how the 11.2 million in American Recovery Plan funds will be spent throughout the county
- Described how the corner of Rawson and North Street by the Fairgrounds will be upgraded.
- Dark fiber cable will be installed in the buildings
- Better Buildings Project is going well
- Installation of the copper roof on the old jail has been completed
- Residential Inspections - Commissioners have not made any decision and it probably will not come up again in the next year or two.

Mr. Lotycz and Mr. Miller discussed the possible extension of the No Wake Zone in the Wightman's Grove area of the river.

Mr. Mike Willis will not be at the November 16, 2021 meeting.

Mr. Overmyer contacted Madison Motors last week on removing the cars from Brush Street. When he and the owner looked at the property, they found a dumpster in the driveway and some of the brush had been cut away. Mr. Overmyer called the daughter and she stated they are working on getting the cars out and cleaning up the property. Mr. Overmyer gave her Madison Motors phone number. Mr. Overmyer contacted Madison Motors and put a hold on the removal.

Mr. Overmyer received a complaint from Ms. Sarah Auen. A "F" Joe Biden flag is being flown at her neighbor's house and she is offended by it. Mr. Overmyer will tell her this is a civil matter and she can contact an attorney.

The OTA Convention will be January 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> in Columbus, Ohio. All three Trustees plan on attending.

Mr. Lotycz reported Charlie Baxter straightened the headstone at Four Mile House Cemetery for Gloria Baughman.

The City of Fremont would like to meet on November 16, 2021, to discuss the Joint Economic Development District (JEDD) contract. Mr. Lotycz will attend.

Mr. Mike Willis made motion to approve the Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources dated 10-27-2021.

Ms. Cyndi Zienta made the following request to Trustees:

- ❖ To cease using the email address czienta@sanduskytownship.com and remove it from their contact list. This email account was deleted months ago. The email service was unreliable.
- ❖ To remove her personal email address from their contacts list and not use it for any township communication.
- ❖ To use sanduskytownship@gmail.com for all email communications to her. This is the address that she has been using for well over a year.

At 7:40 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

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Ms. Cynthia Zienta, Fiscal Officer

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Mr. Mike Willis, Trustee

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Mr. Gilbert Overmyer, Trustee