

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MADISON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES' WORKSHOP

Minutes of

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

December 12, 2023, at 6:30 P.M.

Held _____ 20 _____

Chairman Wayman called the December 12, 2023, Trustees' Workshop Meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. and welcomed everyone to the meeting being held in the Trustees' Meeting Room at the Madison Township Administration Building.

Mr. Wayman called for a roll call: Mr. Anderson, Mr. Gauntner, Mr. Wayman, Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Pasqualone were in attendance.

TRUSTEES:

Mr. Wayman stated he had nothing to bring up at this time and asked if either Mr. Gauntner or Mr. Anderson had anything. They did not have anything at this time. Mr. Wayman stated Mr. Brown had several items on the agenda for tonight's Workshop Meeting.

ADMINISTRATOR:

Administrator, Tim Brown, stated on December 5th he met with a representative from CATTs Construction regarding the Shore Drive Storm Water Project. CATTs Construction is still unhappy about the extra lost time work that they requested payment for. Mr. Brown said he told them the Township was agreeing to one (1) day of lost time work which the representative took back to CATTs Construction who submitted a counter proposal for a second day or they would seek litigation. Mr. Brown said he will meet with Tim Miller, Director of the Lake County Stormwater Department, within the next day or two regarding CATTs counter offer. Mr. Brown said the Township and CATTs Construction are not that far off from resolving this issue, but are still working on this matter.

Mr. Brown asked if anyone had any questions regarding the 2024 Temporary Appropriations Budget which will be presented for approval at the Trustees' Regular Meeting later tonight. Mr. Brown said capital appropriations for 2024 were getting a little tight so the Bathgate Avenue, Campbell Drive, and Meadows Road resurfacing project was removed from the budget. The engineer's estimate for this project totaled three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00). The Township will be resurfacing a small roads project using Ohio Public Works Commission funds received this year. The roads included will be all of Lakeview Avenue, streets between Bathgate Avenue and Stirling Road, north of Maxwell Drive; East Tuttle Park Road, Avalon Avenue, Manatee Avenue, Northway Dr., and North Cumings Blvd. Mr. Brown said about two (2) to two and a half (2-1/2) miles of roads will be resurfaced in 2024. Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek realized the Township would not have enough funds in 2024 to do the three-hundred-thousand-dollar (\$300,000.00) larger resurfacing project. Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek said the Township could do the small roads project and save some funds for the Emerson Road Culvert Replacement Project, as well as some funds for dead tree removals and new street signs.

Mr. Brown stated on December 7th he had an online meeting with U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown's staff and other Lake County Shoreline communities regarding how to approach the erosion issues we are experiencing. Senator Brown's staff did not realize the different types of erosion being experienced along the lake shore. The Township's erosion is mainly caused by a high-pressure water table vs. the erosion caused by Lake Erie wave action. Senator Brown's staff touched on the types of issues everyone is having, lack of funding, and a grant locked up in Congress for funding. The issues were discussed but nothing was resolved, but Senator Brown is involved with the issue.

Mr. Brown said today he attended another Local Government Fund (LGF) Ad-hoc Committee Meeting in Mentor. The LGF Committee was formed for a limited period of time to address a specific need or task. The task is to come up with a new formula for the County Auditor to distribute fairly a share of general revenue tax collections to local Lake County governments. The meeting went okay. Everyone was cordial. The next meeting is in January 2024. Mr. Wayman asked if there was any idea when a new resolution would be presented regarding this issue. Mr. Brown said the committee is hoping to have something by March 2024. The Local Government Fund distribution formula the State uses is about fourteen (14) columns long and is a pretty ugly monster. No one wants to use this distribution formula so everyone is working on coming up with a new formula.

Mr. Brown informed the Board the Lake County Commissioners are supposed to pass a resolution for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) award for the Stanton Park Improvement Trail Project at their December 14th meeting this week. Mr. Brown said he will attend the meeting to thank the Board of County Commissioners for the grant.

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A revised Trustees' Regular Meeting date was discussed for the next meeting in December. The Board decided to hold the meeting on Thursday, December 28, 2023, at 12 noon, instead of December 26, 2023. A motion will be made in the Regular Meeting later tonight to set the revised meeting date and time.

Mr. Brown stated the west side of the Emerson Road culvert is starting to collapse and clog up. The culvert is located in a deep ravine on Emerson Road between Griswold Road and Ross Road. Photos were sent to the Lake County Engineer who does not think it is an emergency at this time. The Township will have to keep an eye on the culvert. The Lake County Engineer is going to come back out and look at the culvert in the next week. The funds for the culvert replacement are included in the 2024 budget. Mr. Brown said when the Township goes to bid out the project, the Board will have to decide if they want to declare it as an emergency or not. For the time being, the culvert replacement would go through a regular bidding process, but if any severe changes occur to its condition, the Township may have to pass an emergency resolution. The estimate for the project is between two hundred thousand to three hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00 to \$300,000.00). The survey work has been done; the township is just waiting for the actual estimate which will be ready in a couple weeks because of the holiday. Mr. Gauntner said the Emerson Road culvert issue is very similar to the Ford Road bridge issue but not quite as bad.

Mr. Brown said he checked with the County Engineer's office today, and there are no dramatic updates for the Ford Road situation. Lake County still plans on beginning construction very early spring, if not late winter.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Hager was not present for the Workshop Meeting.

LEGAL:

Solicitor, Mr. Pasqualone, had nothing to report.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT:

Service Department Supervisor, Mr. Cook, was absent.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Mrs. Gerred-Ditchcreek, Fiscal Officer, stated the 2024 budget was discussed earlier.

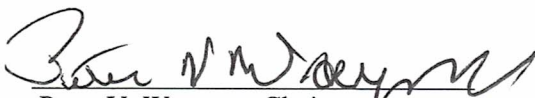
ZONING:

Zoning Inspector, Mr. Bernard, had nothing for the Workshop Meeting.

Mr. Wayman asked if anyone had any further business to discuss at this time, and with no further business to discuss, Mr. Wayman requested a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Anderson presented a motion to adjourn the Meeting, seconded by Mr. Gauntner. Roll Call: Mr. Anderson: Yes Mr. Gauntner: Yes Mr. Wayman: Yes

Chairman Wayman adjourned the Trustees' Workshop Meeting at 6:43 P.M.


Peter V. Wayman, Chairman


Terry Gerred-Ditchcreek, Fiscal Officer