

SWANCREEK TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING
Monday, September 14, 2020

Chairman Kazmierczak called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call - Board of Trustees present: Rick Kazmierczak-Chairman, Travis Weigel- Vice

Chairman, Gene Wilson-Trustee

Fiscal Officer: Jo Stultz

Zoning Inspector- Natalie Pallitta

GUESTS: See Sign In Sheet

153-20 Trustee Weigel motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular and Special Board of Trustee meeting from 8/17/20, the Special Board of Trustee Meeting from 8/19/20 and the Special Board of Trustee Meeting from 8/25/20 2nd by Trustee Wilson.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

154-20 Trustee Weigel motioned to approve expenditures in the amount of \$57,893.55, 2nd by Trustee Wilson.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

Chairman Updates:

Tree Trimming- Bids received- Brands was the lowest. They will work one day a week until they are caught up.

Columbarium- Maintenance will be cleaning up the weeds this week. Aaron Faehnle from Maumee Valley Memorials was in the audience and said it would take 12-14 weeks for an ordered columbarium to come in. Trustee Weigel asked him if his products were domestic. Mr. Faehnle said he could get domestic but overseas would be cheaper. When questioned about quality, Mr. Faehnle did say domestic was better.

6735 Co. Rd. 2- Carmean Property/grass seeding- Trustee Kazmierczak met with H&H who did the original seeding. He gave the Township an estimate of \$2185.00 to reseed the area with the understanding that the Township would provide the topsoil. Discussion was had about watering the seed. Trustee Kazmierczak was confident that if needed the Township would be able to water it.

155-20 Trustee Weigel motioned to hire H&H to reseed 6735 Co. Rd. 2 for the contracted price of \$2185.00, 2nd by Trustee Kazmierczak.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

6936 Co Rd.2/ Landscaping progress- No update- Trustee Kazmierczak will have Maintenance get the topsoil for that job the same time as they get the topsoil for 6735 Co. Rd. 2 and drop it off. Trustee Kazmierczak will contact Walborns and let them know.

Drainage projects- No Updates. Rod Creager from Fulton County Engineers Office is working on elevations for County Road 2 and County Road F.

Haul Routes for Get-R-Dug and Easement for Windstream- Trustees signed the Engineers request for approval

Township Clean Up Day- Trustee Kazmierczak states all employees are working. Maintenance will pick up requested senior citizens items on September 24th and 25th. Trustee Kazmierczak told the Board the estimated cost provided by Select Sanitation and recommended their company for use on Township clean Up Day.

Chairman's Updates (continued)

Update of County Road 2 south of County Road D- Trustee Kazmierczak would like to hire a private engineer to get an estimate on what would need to be done. The Township would have to pay for this service and it would still have to go before the Fulton County Commissioners for approval. Trustee Kazmierczak will contact DGL for an estimate on price.

Potential Cleaning of roadside ditch Road E between County Road 1-2 and County Road 2- Trustee Kazmierczak would like the ditch dipped.

Zoning:

156-20 Trustee Weigel motioned to reappoint Justin Watson to Swancreek Township's Zoning Commission, 2nd by Trustee Kazmierczak.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

157-20 Trustee Weigel motioned to reappoint Bob Beckwith to Swancreek's Board of Zoning Appeals, 2nd by Trustee Kazmierczak.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

158-20 Trustee Weigel motioned to approve language change for Board of Zoning Appeals application from Variance Request to Condition Use Request, 2nd by Trustee Kazmierczak.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

159-20 Trustee Weigel motioned to approve deletion of "proof of application" on Swancreek Township's Zoning Certificate Application, 2nd by Trustee Kazmierczak.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

Zoning Inspector Pallitta reported to the Board zoning activities since the last Board of Trustee meeting. She has 50 permits to date which is what the total was for 2019.

Trustee Kazmierczak asked Trustee Wilson what his perspective of the meeting with Jacob Barnes and the Zoning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals. Zoning Inspector Pallitta, as well as Board of Zoning Appeals member Renee Walker and Zoning Commission member Justin Watson also gave their perspectives of the meeting.

Public Forum:

Leu Ann Shelton from the audience asked the Board if they would take out a cottonwood tree located on her property. Trustee Kazmierczak told her that the township could clean the roots out that were in the Township's right of way but that the Township would not be able to remove the tree. She questioned the trees removed by the Township on the Farnsworth property. Trustee Kazmierczak informed her this agreement has been in place for quite a while and the work was needed to help with a Township project.

Fiscal Officer:

160-20 Trustee Weigel motioned to approve voided warrant # 35364 in the amount of \$304.34 to Toledo Edison- check damaged in the mail, 2nd by Trustee Wilson.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

161-20 Trustee Weigel motioned to accept and appropriate CARES Act monies in the amount of \$39,062.70 to be spent under the guidelines provided in the Act, 2nd by Trustee Kazmierczak.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

Fiscal Officer Stultz reminded the Board of the annual budget meeting with the Fulton County Auditor Sept 22nd at 11:30 a.m.

New Business:

Newsletter Update- was mailed September 11th

Pest/Rodent Control- The Administration building is having some issues. Administrative Assistant Ford will get estimates on extermination costs done quarterly.

Unfinished Business:

162-20 Trustee Weigel motioned for Swancreek Township's Facebook page be "content only", 2nd by Trustee Wilson.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

COVID19- Cares Act Funding- The Board decided to discuss possible purchases at the October 5th Board of Trustee meeting.

OPWC County Road C update- No update

Recycle Center- Public Hearing October 5th at 6:00 p.m.

Fire/Rescue:

Discussion was had about the double taxation that the Village of Swanton residents have for Fire. The Village will abandon their levy if Swancreek and Fulton Township agree to pay the lost revenue generated by that levy.

163-20 Trustee Wilson motioned to use monies in the Fire Fund to absorb the Village of Swanton resident's second tax levy portion for one year, 2nd by Trustee Kazmierczak.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

The Board will discuss in depth how the Township will proceed after the first year how they would like to fund this expense in the future and a contract that reflects the agreement between all three entities.

Cemetery: 1 deed signed

164-20 Trustee Wilson motioned to go into Executive Session at to discuss possible employment per O.R.C. 121.22 (G) (1) at 8:31 p.m., 2nd by Trustee Kazmierczak.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea
Meeting adjourned

165-20 Trustee Weigel motioned to call the meeting back into order at 9:20 p.m., 2nd by Trustee Kazmierczak.

Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea

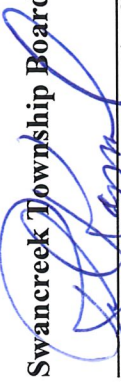
166-20 Trustee Wilson motioned to obtain a legal opinion on Trustee Kazmierczak being appointed to Swancreek Township's Administrator position per O.R.C. 505.031 (B), 2nd by Trustee Kazmierczak.

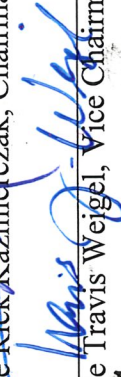
Roll Call: Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea, Trustee Weigel-Nay, Trustee Wilson-Yea

Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to adjourn at 9:21 p.m., 2nd by Trustee Weigel


Attest: Jo Stultz, Fiscal Officer
Swancreek Township
October 5, 2020

Swancreek Township Board of Trustees


Trustee Rick Kazmierczak, Chairman


Trustee Travis Weigel, Vice Chairman


Trustee Gene Wilson