

**SWANCREEK TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL AND
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING
Monday October 16, 2023**

Chairman Wilson called the Special to order at 6:01 p.m.
Board of Trustees present: - Gene Wilson-Chairman, Brian Meyer-Vice Chairman, Rick Kazmierczak-Trustee
Fiscal Officer: Jo Stultz
Maintenance Crew Chief: James Ehram
Office Manager- Dawn Wheatley
Special Guests: Delta Community Fire Chief Jeremy Gillen
Village of Swanton Fire Chief Cuyler Kepling

Special was for residents to present questions about the upcoming Fire Levy.

Both Fire Chiefs gave an overview of each of their departments. Discussion was had about EMS runs vs fire runs (80/20 respectively) staffing, mutual aid, equipment and cost.

Chairman Wilson recessed the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

Chairman Wilson called the meeting back into order at 7:00 p.m.

Guests: See sign in sheet

Zoning Inspector: Lisa Wylie

150-23 Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to accept the Regular Board of Trustee meeting minutes from 10-2-23, and the Board of Trustee Working Meeting from 10-12-23, 2nd by Trustee Meyer.
Roll Call: Trustee Meyer-Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea, Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea

151-23 Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to approve expenditures in the amount of \$94,116.70, 2nd by Trustee Meyer.
Roll Call: Trustee Meyer -Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea, Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea

Special Guests: Fulton County Prosecutor Luke Jones and Jeff Crisenbery from Fulton County Health Department

The Board, residents in the audience, and Special Guests had a lengthy discussion on the abandoned property at 5618 US20A. Prosecutor Jones informed the Board of what they can do legally with the property. Mr. Crisenbery had gone by the property in question on the way to the meeting but was going to go back out the following day to see if there was a fuel tank on the property and inspect it for possible leakage. Prosecutor Jones also told the Board that they had the power, after following the steps he had presented, to clean up the property so that it would not be a hazard to the community, at the Township's expense. The amount spent could then be put on the real estate taxes and be collected from the owner, or in case of foreclosure, be collected at the time the property was sold.

Zoning Inspector Wylie had questions regarding zoning for both Prosecutor Jones and Health Department Representative Crisenbery.

The Board also asked both Special Guests questions about Zoning, as well as Renee Walker from the audience.

Zoning: Was discussed during the conversation with Mr. Jones and Mr. Crisenbery.

Public Forum: None

Fiscal Officer:

152-23 Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to void warrant #36725- returned in the mail, 2nd by Trustee Meyer.
Roll Call: Trustee Meyer -Yea, Trustee Wilson-Yea, Trustee Kazmierczak-Yea

New Business: None

None

Fire/Rescue:

Chairman Wilson reported on the Fire Levy Special held prior to the Regular Board of Trustee meeting.

Trustee Kazmierczak informed the Board that Providence Township charged the Township In error for a Mutual Aid run on Co. Rd. C in the amount of \$1680.00.

153-23 Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to have Providence Township provide Swancreek Township on their 3rd quarter billing 2023 provide a credit in the amount of \$1680.00, 2nd by Trustee Wilson.

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

Office Manager Wheatley is to create a letter to Providence requesting this.

Cemetery: None

Unfinished Business:

Land Use Plan- Trustee Kazmierczak states that Jacob Barnes could create a hybrid Land Use Plan for the Township for about \$15,000.00. The Board will talk about this at the 11/20 Board of Trustee Meeting.

Video Recording of Meetings: Discussion was held about this. Former Prosecutor recommended against it. Trustee Kazmierczak will contact Fulton County Prosecutor Jones for his opinion on this.

Vac Truck- Trustee Meyer presented the Board copies of an email sent from Best Equipment Company representative Mike Nielsen with two options on resolving the problem with the Vac Truck.

1. Best Equipment will pay all repair bills and get the truck fully functional.
2. Best Equipment will purchase back the Vac Truck for the amount of \$172,676 and Swancreek could keep the Envirosight camera system.

154-23 Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to allow Trustee Meyer to negotiate for more buy back money, but has the authority to accept \$172,676.00 if this number is Best Equipment Company's final offer, 2nd by Trustee Wilson.

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

Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to adjourn at 8:29 p.m., 2nd by Trustee Wilson


Swancreek Township Board of Trustees


Attest: Jo Stultz, Fiscal Officer
Swancreek Township
November 20, 2023

Trustee Gene Wilson, Chairman



Trustee- Brian Meyer, Vice Chairman



Trustee Rick Kazmierczak