# SWANCREEK TOWNSHIP SPECIAL AND

# REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING

Monday October 7, 2024

Chairman Meyer called the Special to order at 6:06 p.m.

Board of Trustees present: - Brian Meyer-Chairman, Rick Kazmierczak-Vice Chairman, Marvin

Green-Trustee

Fiscal Officer: Jo Stultz

Office Manager- Dawn Wheatley Crew Chief- James Ehrsam

The budget for 2025 was discussed and worked on.

Chairman Meyer recessed the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Chairman Meyer called the meeting back into order at 7:12 p.m.

Guests: See sign in sheet

Zoning Inspector: Lisa Wylie

Special Guest: Jacob Barnes

105-24 Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to accept the Special and Regular Board of Trustee meeting minutes from 9-9-24, and the Special Board of Trustee Meeting from 9-18-24, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Green.

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

**106-24** Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to approve expenditures in the amount of \$345,238.05, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Green.

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

#### Zoning:

Zoning Inspector Wylie informed the Board that a Public Hearing has been set with the BZA for the Airport Highway Overlay District.

Zoning Inspector Wylie will inform the Zoning Commission and BZA that the Township will pay for one member from each to go to OTA. She will let Fiscal Officer Stultz know by October 28<sup>th</sup> if anyone from either Board is interested in going.

## Public Forum:

None

# Fiscal Officer:

107-24 Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to approve voiding warrants #37119 (lost in the mail) and #37129 (paid twice) 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Meyer.

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

108-24 Trustee Meyer motioned to accept Cemetery Grant money in the amount of \$2500.00 from Ohio Department of Commerce and raise the Cemetery Fund Revenue and Appropriations accordingly, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Green.

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

109-24 Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to allocate funds received from Swancreek Water District into the General Fund per the recommendation of Cindy McCafferty of Local Government, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Meyer.

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

Fiscal Officer (continued)

110-24 Trustee Meyer motioned per the recommendation of Cindy McCafferty of Local Government to appropriated monies in the General Fund to pay for expenses incurred from Swancreek Water District, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Green.

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

### Maintenance Report:

Crew Chief Ehrsam updated the Board on all the projects that Maintenance has been involved in since the last Board of Trustee meeting.

Fall Township Clean Up Days will be next week. Lammon Brothers were the cheapest and will be providing the roll offs for the event.

Liberty Center School students will be painting the snow plows for the Township.

Easement Log has been completed. Discussion was had about getting them all recorded with Fulton County.

Maintenance employee Tiffany Ford is working on a grant for a bike trail on County Road 1.

111-24 Trustee Kazmierczak motioned to send to the Fulton County Engineer the approval of reclamation of Co. Rd. 2 from County Road D to County Road E. The remainder of County Road E to the bridge deck will be normal surface milling, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Green.

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

#### Cemetery:

1 deed signed

Crew Chief Ehrsam presented an easement log to Chairman Meyer resolving the Chamberlain property discussion from the BOT 9-9-24 meeting.

The Township received a legal opinion on selling plaques to raise money for cemetery upkeep. Per Prosecutor Jones, the Township cannot spend money to make money.

#### **New Business:**

112-24 Trustee Green motioned to accept Option 1 as stated for 2025 Board of Trustee meetings, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Meyer.

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

County Road 1 Bike Trial- discussed in Maintenance

Homewood Park- Discussion was had about the future of it. No decisions were made.

#### Fire/Rescue:

Meeting with the Township's involved with Delta Community Fire to discuss the proposed 2025 Fire contract will be October 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

## **Unfinished Business:**

Road 2 OPWC Project- No Update

Issue 2- No Update

Blight Issues- Justin Watson from the Zoning Commission strongly recommends that the Board do something about the properties that have been blight issues in the zoned area of Swancreek Township for years. He questioned why the Township has Zoning if the Board wasn't going to enforce it. Fiscal Officer Stultz will reach out to Fulton County Prosecutor to see if Zoning

Inspector Wylie can take the property owners in question to court, get a judgement against them, and have the Board of Trustees do the same. Mr. Watson wants to see the Township to clean up these properties, and assess taxes to send a message that Swancreek Township is serious about zoning.

(Unfinished Business- blight- continued)

The Board decided that no action would be taken on 2097 Co. Rd. 6 as it is in an un-zoned area. Office Manager Wheatley will let the complainant know.

113-24 Trustee Green motioned to move Form Fire used for insurance quotes back to Kim Bradford and Associates, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Kazmierczak.

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

#### **Elected Officials:**

Public Records Training- No Update

Committee Meetings- No Updates

Trustee Kazmierczak informed the Board that he and Swancreek Water Board President Shawn Albert will be meeting with a representative from Marcy Kapter's office to discuss a bulk water station and the bike trail discussed above.

Trustee Meyer motioned to adjourn at 8:10 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee green

Trustee Brian Chairman

**Swancreek Township Board of Trustees** 

Trustee- Rick Kazmierczak, Vice Chairman

Swancreek Township

Attest: Jo Stultz, Fiscal Officer

November 18, 2024