

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE
SHARON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
HELD AT THE SHARON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
SEPTEMBER 24, 2019**

Meeting opened by Chairman Mr. Joe Canestraro at 7:00 PM. Trustees present were Mr. Canestraro, Mrs. Miller and Mr. Guccion, Fiscal Officer, Christine Lawson and Administrative Assistant, Mark Jackson. Guests present: Annie Finnerty, Jim Sherman, Latricia Gerhart, Mike Stanec, Scott Kriska, Ray Lurtz, Beth Kilchenman, Neil Jones, Evan O'Malley, Ken Schiele, James and Mary Simonelli.

Brian Guccion introduced Tracy Easterday as one of the new deputies from the Medina County Sheriff's Department that has been hired by the Township and recognized him for saving the life of a resident last month with an AED.

Christine Lawson requested a Then and Now Purchase Order for the repair of two of the road department trucks from ESS. Two invoices totaled for \$5,743.35. The repairs occurred and were invoiced between meetings. The repairs were to the 2001 GMC and the 2011 Ford F250.

Mrs. Miller made a motion to pass a resolution to approve a Then and Now Purchase Order for \$5,743.35 to ESS Solutions.

Mr. Canestraro seconded the motion.

Roll Call was taken

Mr. Canestraro – Yes; Mrs. Miller – Yes; Mr. Guccion - Yes

Christine asked the trustees about the invoice for Melway Paving and if she should forward payment. Mr. Turek stated that all the work had been completed and the burning was finished. Mr. Guccion asked Mr. Turek to get the warranty agreement in writing before we released the check. Discussion continued on a paving issue in the Marigold parking lot. Bob Turek said the original quote was \$17,000 but the bill had been reduced and was \$10,000 for the Marigold lot.

Christine Lawson stated that she was instructed to issue a check to Paul Parker for the entire amount of \$400.00 for his variance application. The trustees had originally approved to refund Mr. Parker minus and costs the township had in preparing the application for the BZA meeting. Now since we are refunding the entire amount, Christine needs that on the record.

Mr. Guccion made a motion to refund the \$400 zoning application fee for Paul Parker due to him withdrawing the application a day prior to the BZA hearing.

Joe Canestraro seconded the motion.

All trustees voted yes.

Mr. Canestraro introduced Annie Finnerty of the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities. Ms. Finnerty provided info on the 1.12 mill renewal levy for the MCBDD that will be on the ballot on November 5, 2019. She stressed that this is a renewal levy and not a new tax. It will continue to cost a homeowner about \$2.71/month on a \$100,000 home.

Kim Miller updated the public that she has been in contact with Julie at ODOT and was sent copies of the crash reports regarding the intersections of Fidler Road and Route 94 and State Road and Route 162. The numbers do not appear to be current and correct. Mr. Canestraro said that the reporting has a

lag or delay from the State Highway Patrol to ODOT before the data is included in their reports. Our fire department has more accurate data for the crashes at those intersections. Discussion continued. Mrs. Miller asked Mr. Stantec to get data from their reports for those intersections. Mr. Guccion said ODOT is willing to give us signage for those intersections if we will install them.

ROADS DEPARTMENT

Bob Turek stated we had already covered his items.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Assistant Chief Mike Stanec was present for the fire department and requested the purchase of five of the demo pagers that had been discussed several months ago. The department has not decided if they want to outfit the entire department with this type of unit. We can purchase five of the demo pagers at a cost of \$599 each. Programming will be done by the Fire Department. The Trustees asked if we should have an insurance rider for the pagers as they are larger than our other style, the clip is different, they stick off the uniform more and may be more apt to fall off their uniform. Christine Lawson will check with our insurance carrier.

Mr. Canestraro made a motion purchase five pagers at a cost of \$599.00 each at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00 from Cleveland Communications, Inc.

Mr. Guccion seconded the motion.

All Trustees voted yes.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

Neil Jones reported that they issued six more permits since we last met.

Zoning application were received for: one single-family home, one deck, one accessory building, two home additions, a variance request for two lots that have sub-standard frontage.

The Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) meets tomorrow night and has three hearings on the docket. Cleveland Clinic Pediatric Therapy, a women's clothing boutique and a variance request for a carriage house in front of the rear building plane of the house.

Neil Jones asked if he is able to sell the calendars for the Heritage Society fund raiser in the office as he does each year. The trustees agreed.

Mr. Jones announced that nominations for the Annual Community Service Award are now being accepted and will be accepted until November 6, 2019. Applications are available in the zoning office and can be turned in to Neil Jones or mailed to PO Box 7, Sharon Center, Ohio 44274.

COMMUNITY

Beth Kilchenman of the Medina County Auditor's office reported that the last informal re-appraisal hearing is this Thursday, September 26th from 8 AM to 8 PM. You can call the office at 330-725-9754, go online or stop by the office. The last day to file an appeal is Tuesday, October 1, 2019. Neil Jones asked if all the re-appraisal cards have been sent out and Beth said they had. If someone has not received their card, they should call the office asking for the real estate department.

Beth also announced her retirement and stated her last day would be Thursday. The Trustees have very much appreciated her reports and the public applauded her work with the Township.

James Simonelli made very kind and positive statements towards the Trustees and their work for the Township. He said they are fiscally responsible and judiciously use township resources. He believes the trustees are cautious with their choices and actions that they take. In addition, we are a community and noted that we do not have a security officer in attendance and we are safe with each other.

Evan O'Malley said he has been recruited to speak for Jane Back and Access the Arts. They are asking for the electric service to be upgraded for the audio system for the Sharon Showcase to 400 amps from 200 amps. Jane Back is also trying to schedule more dates for the concerts in the circle and changing the showcase to a one-day event. Mr. Guccion stated that the township spent approximately \$20,000 a few years ago to upgrade the existing service to the current 200 amps and will not be doing another upgrade. Access the Arts has asked for \$4,000 to fund their 2020 events. The Trustees have previously asked for an accounting from Access the Arts, including an income statement, but have yet to receive one. Mr. O'Malley will report back to Jane Back

Joe Canestraro reminded the public that the annual free Pancake Breakfast at the Fire Station will be on October 20, 2019 from 9 AM to 1 PM.

Christine Lawson asked to set a date for the budget meeting, December 29, 2019 or during the week. Discussion continued and the date will be set later.

Mr. Canestraro made a motion to approve the Trustee Meeting Minutes from September 10, 2019 and fund status report of the Township.

Mr. Guccion seconded the motion.

All Trustees voted yes.

Bills were presented for payment. Mrs. Miller made a motion that the bills presented be approved as the lawful obligation of Sharon Township and the Fiscal Officer be instructed to issue warrants of the Township in payment as same.

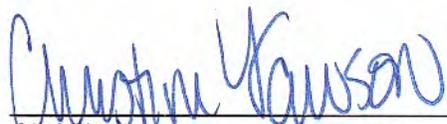
Mr. Canestraro seconded the motion.

All Trustees voted yes.

Mr. Canestraro made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM

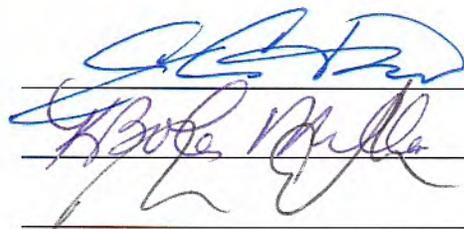
Mr. Guccion seconded the motion.

All trustees voted yes.



Christine Lawson

Mark Jackson



Trustees