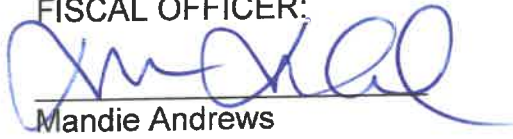


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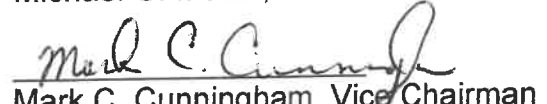


Mandie Andrews


APPROVED:



Michael G. Musto, Chairman



Mark C. Cunningham, Vice Chairman



Dick Heidecker, Trustee

Chairman Mike Musto called the regular meeting on August 16, 2021 to order at 7:00 p.m.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Fiscal Officer Mandie Andrews took roll call attendance and Trustees Mike Musto and Mark Cunningham were present. Dick Heidecker was absent.

Fiscal Officer Mandie Andrews sent all meeting reports to the Trustees electronically.

Minutes from the regular meeting on August 2, 2021 were presented for approval.

Motion Cunningham to approve the minutes as written. Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous.

Fiscal Officer Mandie Andrews presented bills and payroll totaling \$151,293.45.

Motion Cunningham to pay the bills and payroll as listed. Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence.

SHERIFF'S REPORT:

There was no one present from the Sheriff's Department.

ZONING INSPECTOR:

Permits – For August 2-13, 2021, Zoning Inspector Bob Eichenberg reported issuing 19 permits for one deck, two pools, one barn, six commercial storage buildings and 9 single-family homes. Year-to-date, he has issued 74 permits for new single-family homes.

Violations – Eichenberg requested a resolution for 9955 Bryant Avenue to remove high vegetation and debris.

Motion Cunningham to remove high vegetation and debris from 9955 Bryant Avenue. Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous. 8-16-2021-83

Board of Zoning Appeals – Since no one applied for their August meeting, the BZA's next regularly scheduled meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on September 27, 2021.

Zoning Commission – Due to the Labor Day holiday, the Zoning Commission will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 9, 2021.

Subdivision Status – Eichenberg had nothing new to report.

MS4'S – No inquires or complaints reported.

ROAD DEPARTMENT:

Equipment – Service Director Bob Rundle reported all service and fire department equipment up and running.

Issue I – Rundle had a meeting today with Lorain County Engineer Peter Zwick and he agreed with the using the culvert replacement on Redfern Road by the Estates of Columbia Ridge Subdivision as a 2022 Issue I project.

Motion Cunningham to use the 2022 Issue I application for a culvert replacement on Redfern Road by the Estates of Columbia Ridge Subdivision and authorize Bob Rundle to submit the application and Chairman Musto to enter into any agreements necessary for the funding.

Chairman Musto asked Rundle if the Township is borrowing money. Rundle said they are asking us to do so. Musto said we have had two projects that failed. Rundle said they didn't fail they just did not get funded.

Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous.

8-16-2021-84

Rundle would also like to resubmit the South Boone Road Resurfacing Project for a 2022 Issue I project. This time he would like to request a 16 percent loan. Zwick told him with the loan the project would score enough points to be approved and funded.

**Motion Cunningham to authorize Bob Rundle to resubmit the South Boone Road Resurfacing Project as a 2022 Issue I Project with a 16 percent loan and authorize Chairman Musto to enter into any agreements necessary for the funding.
Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous.**

8-16-2021-85

Rundle and Zwick discussed the drainage problem at Root and Station Roads. He is looking at going a little farther to Plum Creek.

Rundle is looking into the price of a camera to use in tiles in order to see what is actually wrong with them. He said a camera would help us to see where the problem is.

Subdivision Status – Rundle had nothing new to report.

MS4'S – No inquires or complaints reported.

Department Input – The road crew is currently mowing roadsides. Soon they will be starting concrete road repairs in the Redfern Farms Subdivision.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Personnel – Chief Anthony reported 38 members on file and 36 members on call.

Calls – To date, there have been 152 fire calls and 452 EMS calls.

Transport Billing – July receipts totaled \$10,012.87. Year-to-date receipts total \$80,851.85.

Equipment – Anthony reported all equipment up and running.

Mutual Aid – Mutual aid has been given 40 times and requested 30 times.

Department Input – The department will assist at the Lorain County Fair on Friday, August 27th from 5:00 p.m. until closing.

Department Input – Chief Anthony removed Chris Schackelton and Joy Wagner from the roster. Schackelton has been on the department for 10 years and Wagner for a couple of years. Their busy schedules prevent them from working for the department.

CEMETERY:

Rita Plata reported the receipt of \$500 for two burials, \$425 from the sale of one grave, and \$300 for one footer fee.

OLD BUSINESS:

American Rescue Plan – Mandie Andrews was finally able to get the documents to upload with help from the State. Since the documents were submitted and she received confirmation that were received, she now is waiting for notification of approval.

Indigent Burial – Andrews reported that she mailed payment for the cremation of the indigent resident to the funeral home. The State did receive her request for reimbursement.

Repainting Handicapped Line and Emblem on Library's Parking Lot – Rundle spoke to the gentleman from the library and the Library System is going to pay for it.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve Additional Expenditure of \$6,693 for Double Chip Sealing Park Parking Lots – Rundle explained an additional layer of chip sealing was applied to the park's parking lots.

Motion Cunningham to approve the additional expenditure of \$6,693 for the additional layer of chip sealing applied to the park's parking lots. Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous.
8-16-2021-86

Approve Additional Expenditure of \$10,399.49 for a John Deere 60G Mini-Excavator – Rundle explained that the Township got a SWAC grant for the excavator. The original specifications were for a one size smaller one, but that excavator was not available. Because the cost of this excavator is \$10,399.49 more than the smaller one, the Township agreed to pay this difference. Rundle said the list price is \$102,000 for this machine, but the State bid price is \$73,603.37. The SWAC grant is for 31,601.94.

Motion Cunningham to approve the additional expenditure of \$10,399.49 for a John Deere 60G mini-excavator. Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous.
8-16-2021-87

Approve MOU for Drug Settlement – Fiscal Officer Mandie Andrews explained that attorneys for the State of Ohio filed a class action lawsuit against the drug companies for opioids that were distributed in Ohio. They are asking townships, villages and cities if they want to be a part of this class action lawsuit and receive a portion of the settlement to help fight the opioid epidemic.

Motion Cunningham to fill out the paperwork for the opioid settlement. Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous.
8-16-2021-88

Discuss Offer from American Tower – Mandie Andrews was contacted by American Tower regarding the current lease for the cell tower in the park. She read the letter received from them.

Cunningham noted every five years the lease comes up for renewal. He said right now we are getting \$1,745 per month. Cunningham said in the original lease, there are 8 5-year terms and that puts us out to 2040. This lease has been in effect since 2000. He said they are offering 7 additional five (5) year renewals and that would put us out to 2075. Cunningham said they are also offering us a one-time payment of \$447,000. Four years ago, they offered a one-time payment of \$220,000. He said you can see how much it has gone up. We are supposed to be receiving 10 percent of any rent from any additional renter on the tower.

Cunningham said he is not prepared to make a decision tonight and would continue it. American Tower says our current term expires in 2025. Musto agreed to pass on it and will contact them.

Discuss Emerald Woods Subdivision – Musto reminded everyone that he believes “buyer beware”. He reported they still do not have a working sewer. Supposedly, he said, they are going to be done by September 9th. They have to get all of the equipment in there. Musto said they are starting Phase II and can’t get the pipe for it. He said there will be no occupancy until the sewers are done.

Cunningham said this week the pump and pump station are going to be delivered. Cunningham said they are waiting for a backup generator to arrive on September 9th. They can do all of the testing. He said the pump station was supposed to be done by June 30th.

Musto said there are model homes and they are having the septic pumped.

Cunningham said they plugged the sewer connection and they come every week to pump it out. Nothing is flowing through the sewers.

Musto said that is for their models. There has been no acceptance of the sewers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Cunningham reported the Lorain County Township Association will not meet in August because they have a booth at the Lorain County Fair. They will meet on September 16th at Lorain County Community College. There is nothing going on with the Rocky River Watershed Council. The RLCWA Board will meet on September 8th.

There is a NOACA meeting concerning the 208’s in the county. The meeting is this Thursday, August 19th, at 10:00 a.m. in the Lorain County Administration Building. Elected officials on the NOACA board will attend.

Musto had nothing new to report concerning NEORSD. He noted an offer was received from NOPEC that was unacceptable.

Cunningham reported NOPEC is starting a new program for communities that want to purchase green energy. The entire community must participate. He said it would cost more because it increases the cost of the electricity. Cunningham offered to bring the information to the next meeting. Musto said he is absolutely not interested.

Mandie Andrews received a complaint from a resident about the opt-out letter. She said the letter said if you don't respond, you are in the program. This resident always opts out.

Blanche Nemeth wondered if the NOPEC green energy program couldn't be put up for the people to vote on it.

Cunningham will bring the information to the next meeting. He said there is no rush since they are not rolling the program out for a couple of years.

The next regular meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 7, 2021.

Motion Cunningham to adjourn the meeting. Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Rita Plata.

RECEIPTS

LC AUDITOR (AUGUST 2021 REAL ESTATE (SETTLEMENT)	\$ 825,611.84
PARK RECREATION FEE (PULTE HOMES)	6,300.00
PARK RECREATION FEE (GARLAND HOMES)	900.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT FEE FOR RUN REPORT CEMETERY	25.00 925.00
ZONING INSPECTOR	<u>47,482.70</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 881,244.54</u>