

A pre-construction meeting for Emerald Woods, Phase 4, which contains 25 lots, is scheduled for May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Cunningham will meet with Lorain County Emergency Management on May 5<sup>th</sup> to discuss the Continuous Operation Plan. They have been working on this plan 1-1/2 to 2 years.

**Heidecker** had nothing new to report concerning NEORSD. The next NOACA meeting is on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Manning** reported he will attend a SWGH meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup>.

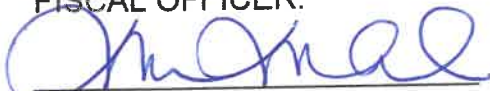
The next regular meeting will be on Monday, May 16, 2022, at 7:30 p.m.

**Motion Heidecker to adjourn the meeting. Seconded Manning. Vote unanimous.**

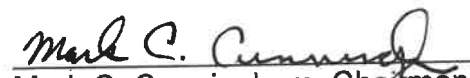
### RECEIPTS

LC AUDITOR (MARCH MVR PERM)	\$ 4,935.12
LC AUDITOR (MARCH MVR)	1,619.50
LC AUDITOR (APRIL GAS TAX)	12,942.86
CREDIT CARD REFUND	31.31
CEMETERY	1,550.00
ZONING INSPECTOR	15,101.00
PARK RECREATION FEE (DREES HOMES)	4,500.00
PARK RECREATION FEE (GARLAND HOMES)	<u>900.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 41,579.99</u>

FISCAL OFFICER:

  
Mandie Andrews

APPROVED:

  
Mark C. Cunningham, Chairman

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Dick Heidecker, Vice Chairman

  
Tony Manning, Trustee

Chairman Mark Cunningham called the regular meeting of the Columbia Township Board of Trustees on May 2, 2022 to order at 7:00 p.m.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Fiscal Officer Mandie Andrews took roll call attendance. Trustees Mark Cunningham and Tony Manning were present. Trustee Dick Heidecker was present virtually by Zoom.

Fiscal Officer Mandie Andrews presented the minutes from the regular meeting on April 18, 2022 for approval.

**Motion Manning to approve the minutes from April 18, 2022 as written. Seconded Heidecker. Vote unanimous.**

Mandie Andrews presented bills and payroll totaling \$82,449.50 for payment.

**Motion Heidecker to pay the bills as listed. Seconded Manning. Vote unanimous.**

#### **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE THE LAST MEETING:**

Lorain County Sheriff's Incident Report for April 2022.

Warning notice from NOPEC because door-to-door energy solicitors are impersonating NOPEC personnel.

#### **SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:**

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

#### **ZONING INSPECTOR:**

**Permits** – For April 18-29, 2022, Zoning Inspector Bob Eichenberg reported issuing 18 permits for one deck, two sheds, one garage, one patio, three pools, one gazebo, one pond, and 8 single family homes. Year-to-date, he has issued 87 permits for new single-family homes.

**Violations** – Eichenberg sent a violation notice for large flag signs to 24497 Sprague Road, the gas station at the corner of West River Road and Sprague Road. The owner did not remove the flags. Instead, he put them towards the back of the property. Eichenberg said it is a problem all over the township.

**Board of Zoning Appeals** – The Board of Zoning Appeals is scheduled to meet on Monday, May 23, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. if they receive an application.

**Zoning Commission** – Representatives from Dakota P. Studios came to the Zoning Commission's April meeting wanting to discuss their project. The Zoning Commission declined to discuss it since the property owner has not applied for rezoning.

The Zoning Commission discussed the situation where someone builds a new home on a property with an existing home. The existing home has to be torn down after the new one is complete. The Zoning Commission is also discussing planting trees in the road right-of-way.

Cunningham asked about the resident on Redfern Road who planted trees in the road right-of-way. Eichenberg said the resident still has not picked up the violation notice.

**Subdivision Status** – Eichenberg had nothing new to report.

**MS4's** – No complaints or problems reported.

#### **ROAD DEPARTMENT:**

**Equipment** – Service Director Bob Rundle reported all equipment up and running.

**Issue I** – The South Boone Road Issue I Project will be awarded later in the meeting.

**Subdivision Status** – There is a preconstruction meeting on Wednesday at 7 a.m. for the next phase of the Emerald Woods Subdivision.

**MS4'S** – No complaints or problems reported. Rundle noted there are a couple of illicit discharges he is going to look at and will have the information on them for the next meeting.

**Department Input** – Plans are to start repairing concrete roads this coming week.

Installation of the new lights in the park is expected to begin Thursday.

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

**Personnel** – Chief Ray Anthony reported 37 members on file and 36 members on call.

**Calls** – Year-to-date, the Fire Department has responded to 247 calls.

**Transport Billing** – March billing receipts totaled \$14,273.49. Year-to-date receipts total \$35,666.76.

**Equipment Status** – The quote from W.W. Williams to repair 212 is approximately \$5,000. The quote includes pump testing, ladder testing, front end repair, and pump packing.

**Motion Cunningham to spend up to \$5,500 for repairs to 212. Seconded Manning.**  
**Vote unanimous. 5-4-2022-48**

**Mutual Aid** – Mutual aid has been given 22 times and requested 14 times.

**Station Coverage** – All hours offered are being covered.

**Department Input** – The fundraiser for the Brett Wilson Scholarship went very well. The department's goal was to raise \$12,500. While Anthony did not have the exact total, he reported they exceeded their goal.

#### **CEMETERY:**

Rita Plata reported the receipt of \$200 for one burial, \$1,300 for footer fees and \$50 from the sale of one vase. The Trustees will meet at 10 a.m. on May 12<sup>th</sup> at the Town Hall to discuss updating the cemetery fee schedule.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Fire Levy** – Fiscal Officer Mandie Andrews read the following information on the amount of revenue the proposed fire levies would generate:

1. Renewal of 1.5 mills – \$ 367,268
2. Renewal of 1.5 mills with an increase of 1.00 mills – \$ 679,024
3. Renewal of 1.5 mills with an increase of 1.50 mills – \$ 834,902
4. Renewal of 1.5 mills with an increase of 2.00 mills – \$ 990,780
5. Renewal of 1.5 mills with an increase of 3.00 mills – \$1,302,535

Fiscal Officer Andrews explained the purpose of going with the renewal is that the State picks up 15 percent of the money so that the residents only pay 85 percent. After the Trustees decide on the levy, Andrews will request the paperwork to file with the Board of Elections. She would like to have the levy to the Board of Elections by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Chairman Cunningham commented the Trustees need a chance to look at the levies. The Board will set up a workshop meeting with Chief Anthony to discuss the levy.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Approve Bid for Issue I South Boone Road Resurfacing Project** – Bob Rundle asked the Trustees to approve the bid from Crossroads Asphalt Recycling, Inc. in the amount of \$179,978.50. The Lorain County Engineer reviewed the bid and recommended approval. The Lorain County Prosecutor also reviewed the bid.

**Motion Heidecker to approve the bid from Crossroads Asphalt Recycling, Inc. in the amount of \$179,978.50 for the Issue I South Boone Road Resurfacing Project. Seconded Manning. Vote unanimous. 5-2-2022-49**

Following approval, the Trustees signed the bid book.

**Approve Bids for 2022 Road Materials and Equipment Rental and General Paving Services** – Bob Rundle explained Crossroads Asphalt Recycling, Inc. was the only bidder for 2022 road materials and equipment rental and general paving services.

**Motion Cunningham to approve the bid from Crossroads Asphalt Recycling, Inc. for 2022 road materials. Seconded Manning. Vote unanimous. 5-2-2022-50**

**Motion Cunningham to approve Crossroads Asphalt Recycling, Inc. bid for 2022 equipment rental and general paving services. Seconded Manning. Vote unanimous. 5-2-2022-51**

**SWGH Renewal Levy** – Fiscal Officer Mandie Andrews received the paperwork from the Southwest General Health Center for renewal of their levy.

**Motion Cunningham to approve the SWGH levy and put it on the ballot. Seconded Heidecker. Vote unanimous. 5-2-2022-52**

**Approve 2022 NOPEC Resolution and Grant Agreement for \$16,480 Energized Community Grant –**

Bob Rundle noted that this grant can be used for energy-saving projects.

**Motion Heidecker to approve the 2022 NOPEC resolution and grant agreement. Seconded Manning. Vote unanimous. 5-22-2022-53**

**Discuss FPA Change of Area from Lorain County to NEORSD** – Chairman Cunningham explained sewers will be installed from North Boone Road west to the Strongsville line and east to the river. Once the sewer is installed, the properties will become part of NEORSD'S Facility Planning Area. The area of the map that was provided is highlighted to indicate those properties that will eventually go into NEORSD'S Facility Planning Area (FPA).

Cunningham noted that residents in the NEORSD FPA pay a higher storm water fee than those in Lorain County's FPA. Any Facility Planning Area change has to go through NOACA. Cunningham met with the Lorain County Engineer last week to review the map to see what properties will be affected. When the map was prepared, they included the minimum amount of properties so as to lessen the number of residents who will have to pay a higher stormwater fee. Cunningham wants to talk to Lorain County Engineer Bob Klaiber about the map again. Cunningham said the changes do not have to be done right now.

**Hot Stove Concession Stand** – Chairman Cunningham reported on Hot Stove's renovations to the interior of the Concession Stand. Columbia Township is putting in new HVAC equipment. Cunningham reported those doing the remodeling are doing an excellent job. Since the Township has money from the new construction, it was proposed that the Township pay for the materials and Hot Stove pay for the labor. The cost of the materials is \$8,969.16.

**Motion Heidecker to pay up to \$9,000 for materials for the remodeling of the Concession Stand in the park. Seconded Manning. Vote unanimous.**  
5-2-2022-54

#### **FISCAL OFFICER'S FINANCIAL REQUESTS:**

Mandie Andrews did not have any financial requests.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Cunningham** reported the Lorain County Township Association will meet on May 19<sup>th</sup> in Huntington Township.

Cunningham will attend the Ohio Rural Water Association's Annual Conference in Dublin, Ohio May 9<sup>th</sup> through May 11<sup>th</sup>.

RLCWA'S regular monthly meeting is on May 18<sup>th</sup>.