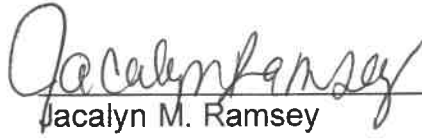



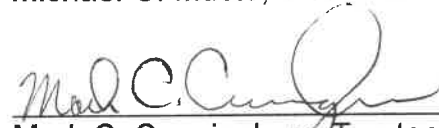
FISCAL OFFICER:

  
Jacalyn M. Ramsey

APPROVED:

  
Dick Heidecker, Chairman

  
Michael G. Musto, Vice Chairman

  
Mark C. Cunningham, Trustee

Chairman Dick Heidecker called the regular meeting on January 21, 2020 to order. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Fiscal Officer Jackie Ramsey took roll call attendance and Trustees Heidecker, Musto and Cunningham were present.

The Trustees were presented with copies of the minutes from the 2020 organizational meeting and the previous regular meeting, both held on January 6, 2020. They were also presented with the current meeting warrants and year-to-date fund, revenue and appropriation status reports.

Fiscal Officer Jackie Ramsey presented the minutes from the organizational meeting on January 6, 2020 for approval.

**Motion Cunningham to approve the minutes from the organizational meeting on January 6, 2020. Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous.**

Fiscal Officer Ramsey presented the minutes from the regular meeting on January 6, 2020 for approval.

**Motion Musto to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on January 6, 2020 as written. Seconded Cunningham. Vote unanimous.**

Fiscal Officer Ramsey presented bills and payroll totaling \$62,825.76 for payment.

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

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

Thank you note from the Wilson Family to the Trustees, Chief Anthony and the community for all that was done to help them during and after the funeral for their son, Columbia Fireman Brett Wilson.

Letter from NOPEC to Trustee Musto notifying him that Columbia Township is receiving a NOPEC Energized Community grant in the amount of \$22,878.00 for 2020.

Copy of a letter sent from Bob Rundle to Peter Zwick about submitting a flooding issue on Hawke Road as possible SWAC project.

Inspection report from Lorain County Public Health for the Columbia Branch Library's Commercial Sewage Treatment System. The system was determined to be in satisfactory condition.

Letter from the U.S. Census Bureau explaining the Initial Boundary Validation Program being done in conjunction with the 2020 Boundary and Annexation Survey. Maps were attached and Zoning Inspector Bob Eichenberg listed as the contact for this information.

Letter from the Lorain County Engineer regarding the current funding status of the South Boone Road resurfacing project.

Letter from NOPEC regarding the designees of Mike Musto as primary and Robert Rundle as secondary representatives on the Watershed Advisory Committee.

**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:**

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

**ZONING INSPECTOR:**

Zoning Inspector Bob Eichenberg was absent.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT:**

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

**Issue I** – Rundle had nothing new to report. The letter from the Lorain County Engineer regarding the 2020 South Boone Road Resurfacing Project was read in correspondence.

**Subdivision Status** – Nothing new reported.

**Department Input** – The road crew is doing a lot of ditching and berm repair.

Rundle applied for the engineering for a SWAC grant for Hawke Road at the railroad tracks where we are experiencing severe flooding.

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

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

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

**Calls** – To date, there have been 11 fire calls and 33 EMS calls.

**Transport Billing** – December 2019 ambulance billing receipts totaled \$13,563.41. The total collected in 2019 was \$154,080.79.

**Station Coverage** – Department members are still covering all hours offered.

**Mutual Aid** – Mutual aid has not been requested in 2020. Mutual aid was given once.

**Department Input –**

Chief Anthony requested the Trustees approval to send Jason Edmondson, Mike Arena and Jerry Peters to the Northern Ohio Arson Seminar in Ashland. The cost to attend the seminar is \$115 each.

**Motion Cunningham to send Jason Edmondson, Mike Arena and Jerry Peters to the Northern Ohio Arson Seminar in Ashland at the cost of \$115.00 each. Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous. 1-21-2020-22**

Chief Anthony requested approval to spend \$15,000 for five sets of new turn out gear. Each set includes a helmet, pants, jacket and boots.

**Motion Musto to spend \$15,000 for five sets of turnout gear. Seconded Cunningham. Vote unanimous. 1-21-2020-23**

Anthony explained the department needs to purchase some new training apparatus. These items include new CPR mannequins, both adult and infant sized, as well as shields and a no-shock AED tester. The Fireman's Association has agreed to contribute \$1,500 for this equipment. Anthony asked the Trustees to approve spending \$1,000 toward this purchase.

**Motion Cunningham to spend \$1,000 on training apparatus. Seconded Musto. Vote unanimous. 1-21-2020-24**

**ZONING COMMISSION:**

The Zoning Commission will meet on Thursday, February 6, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. At 6:45 p.m. they will hear the continuation of the Public Hearing for Zoning Amendment 2019-04 for changes to the Zoning Resolution.

**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS:**

The next regularly scheduled Board of Zoning Appeals meeting is on Monday, February 24, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. The BZA did not receive any applications for their January meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Fire & EMS Levy** – This Levy is a Replacement of 1.00 mill with an increase of 0.06 mills and it will be on March 17, 2020 Ballot. The annual cost to homeowners is \$37.10 per \$100,000 of property valuation which is a \$2.10 increase compared to the current levy. (This agenda item is for informational purposes.)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Glenwood Avenue** – Trustee Heidecker explained the Trustees want to abandon Glenwood Avenue.

**Motion Musto to proceed with abandoning Glenwood Avenue. Seconded Cunningham. Vote unanimous. 1-21-2020-25**

Heidecker explained the Trustees will be working with Assistant Prosecutor Jerry Innes on this project. He said it will be a long process.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Cunningham** reported the Lorain County Township Association will meet on February 20, 2020 in Elyria Township. The Rocky River Watershed Council will hold their annual meeting tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. at the South Cuyahoga Sportsmen's Association Chatham Lodge.

The RLCWA Board will meet on February 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Heidecker** reported the SWGH Board will meet on March 5<sup>th</sup>. The next NOACA Board meeting is on March 15. The Northeast Ohio Township Association will meet on May 20<sup>th</sup>. The location for this meeting has not been determined, yet.

The Lorain County Community Alliance will host their Annual Transportation Day on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Musto** reported NEORSD will clean out the Redfern Road ditch at no cost to the Township.

Musto had nothing new to report concerning Storm Water Phase II and MS4's.

A letter was just received from NOPEC about the Township's 2020 Energized Community Grant. This year's grant amount is \$22,878.00.

**FISCAL OFFICER'S FINANCIAL REQUESTS:**

Fiscal Officer Ramsey did not present any financial requests.

**COMMUNITY INPUT:**

The Trustees offered everyone present the opportunity to ask questions and/or offer comments.

The next regular meeting will be on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Rita Plata.

**RECEIPTS**

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|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| LC AUDITOR (2019 SOLID WASTE<br>COMMUNITY INCENTIVE GRANT) | \$ 9,876.35     |
| OHIO BWC 2% REFUND FOR 2020 ESTIMATED<br>PREMIUM           | 231.76          |
| VFIS FUNDS RECEIVED TO TOWNSHIP FOR<br>BRETT WILSON        | 5,000.00        |
| LC AUDITOR (LOCAL GOV)                                     | 7,004.51        |
| LC AUDITOR (HB166 LOCAL GOV)                               | 713.90          |
| FIRE DEPARTMENT RUN REQUEST                                | 10.00           |
| CULVERT PIPES (INSTALLED)                                  | 550.00          |
| HUNTING MEADOWS RECREATION FEE                             | 900.00          |
| ZONING BOOK                                                | 45.00           |
| CEMETERY                                                   | 750.00          |
| ZONING PERMITS                                             | <u>1,995.60</u> |
| TOTAL                                                      | \$27,077.12     |