

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Minutemen OhioComp – Workers Compensation managed care organization, Open Enrollment.
 2. Stark County Schools Council of Governments - Health Insurance Rate Increase
 3. Stark County Township Association – Member dues, membership form, meeting notice for May 18, 2023; information regarding Overdose Awareness Day
 4. Eric – inquiry regarding abandoned house at 303 W. Maple St.
 5. Ohio Department of Administrative Services – weekly report of contracts and amendments
 6. Verisk – building code effectiveness grading schedule program
 7. Stark County Health Department – Overdose Awareness Day
 8. Stark County Regional Planning – 2023 meeting schedule and May 9th meeting packet
 9. Ohio State Personnel Board of Review – 2023 Virtual Civil Service Commission Seminar
 10. Stark County Engineer – Road closure notice Smith Kramer St. 1500’ east of St Rt 43 May 3, 2023 through May 10 , 2023
 11. Companion Life – Voluntary Short Term Disability renewal
 12. Nancy Dollard – concerns regarding outdoor lighting at Wendy’s
 13. Bonnie Ellis – questions about vehicles in greenspace at Shepherd’s Gate Allotment.
 14. Ohio Bureau of Workers’ Compensation – change in estimated annual premium, Open Enrollment
 15. Stark Economic Development Board – Weekly Legislative news
 16. John Griffith – question regarding fire extinguishers, smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.
 17. Aultman Health Foundation – Aultman Health Center opening at 855 W Maple St.
 18. First Energy Corporation – Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Education Webinar
 19. Ford Motor Company – recall notices for 2016 Police Interceptor UTL vehicles
 20. General Motors – recall notice for 2022 Chevrolet Silverado
 21. Stark County Transportation Improvement District – reminder of May 9th meeting
 22. Sandy Smith – condolences for passing of Galen Stoll
- In reference to correspondence no 13 – The Zoning administrator is looking into it, trailers are allowed on residential lots, but she is looking to see that the registrations are up to date.
 - Trustee Arnold spoke about last week’s loss of Ellis Erb and Galen Stoll who served as Trustees for Lake Township for many years. The Board observed a moment of silence.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department

- None

Road Department

- None

Zoning Department

- None

Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office

- None

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

23-151 A resolution was made by Steve Miller authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to execute the following:

- D-23-06: Dominion Energy, Apache Street (replace 2” mainline with 4”)
- D-23-07: Dominion Energy 10311 Hunting Hills (new short service line)

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

- The Board noted that they have received many calls regarding the electric aggregate program.

23-152 Trustee Miller moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on or about February 8, 2010, the Township entered into an Agreement for Energy Consulting Services with Independent Energy Consultants, Inc., (“Agreement”) for purposes of obtaining consulting, brokerage, and aggregation

services to assist the Township in reducing the amount and/or cost of energy per unit;
and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Agreement, after the initial three-year term, the Agreement renewed for subsequent one-year terms; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 6.2 of the Agreement, either party may request to terminate the Agreement so long as notice is given six-months in advance of the termination; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined it is in the best interest of the Township to pursue a contract with a separate energy consulting agency, Scioto Energy, and therefore wishes to terminate the Agreement by way of the termination provision set forth in Section 6.2 to be effective as soon as practicable.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that:

1. The Board has determined it is in the best interest of the Township to terminate the Agreement in place with Independent Energy Consultants, Inc.
2. The Board therefore grants authority to Township Counsel to issue a Notice of Termination to Independent Energy Consultants, Inc., and to try to negotiate an earlier termination date.
3. The Board has determined it is the best interest of the Township to retain energy consulting and brokerage services from Scioto Energy.
4. The Township Fiscal Officer is therefore directed to complete and sign the Aggregator Registration Application with Scioto Energy to begin the process of retaining Scioto Energy as the energy consulting firm upon the termination of the Agreement with Independent Energy Consultants.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-153 Trustee Yoder moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Anthony Nichols worked for the Lake Township Road Department as an auxiliary road department employee from December 2010 to March 2015 and as a full-time road department employee from March 2015 to April 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Township accepted the resignation of Anthony Nichols on April 10, 2023, with his last of work being April 14, 2023 and Mr. Nichols thereafter became employed by the Village of Hartville; and

WHEREAS, the Village has made inquiries as to the amount of accumulated and unused sick leave that Mr. Nichols had earned at the time of his resignation; and

WHEREAS, as the time of his resignation, Mr. Nichols had 520.85 hours of accumulated, unused sick leave; and

WHEREAS, the Township has discretion to allow employees to transfer accumulated, unused sick leave to other government employers.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that:

1. The Board has determined it is in the best interest of the Township allow employees to transfer their accumulated, unused leave to other government employers in the event that the other employer will recognize the accumulated leave.

2. The Board therefore directs the Fiscal Officer to issue a report to the Village of Hartville which contains a summary of the accumulated, unused leave that Mr. Nichols accumulated during his employment with the Township.

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-154 Trustee Arnold moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Lake Township Road Superintendent, on behalf of the Lake Township Board of Trustees, obtained a quote from Schoner Chevrolet dated March 1, 2022, for the purchase of a 2022 Chevrolet Silverado MD Work Truck in the amount of \$49,820.84, and

WHEREAS the Lake Township Board of Trustees, on March 14, 2022, pursuant to Resolution No. 22-105, accepted the March 1st quote from Schoner Chevrolet and authorized the purchase of the 2022 Chevrolet Silverado MD Work Truck in the amount of \$49,820.84, and

WHEREAS the Township was notified on April 21, 2023, by Schoner Chevrolet that due to certain circumstances, the truck that was delivered to their dealership to fulfill this purchase was a 2023 Chevrolet Silverado MD Work Truck and

the pricing incentives from General Motors had changed resulting in the final cost of the truck as \$58,896.78.

WHEREAS the Lake Township Board of Trustees cannot purchase the 2023 Chevrolet Silverado MD Work Truck as received and offered by Schoner Chevrolet because it exceeds the \$50,000.00 bidding threshold as set forth in ORC 5549.21 and the bidding process as set forth in ORC 5575.01, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lake Township Board of Trustees is forced to refuse the purchase of the 2023 Chevrolet Silverado MD Work Truck in the amount of \$58,896.78 as received and offered for sale by Schoner Chevrolet. The Board hereby rescinds the purchase of the truck authorized in Resolution 22-105, adopted March 14, 2022, because the final quote/invoice as received April 21, 2023, to fulfill this purchase, is for a 2023 Chevrolet Silverado MD Work Truck in the amount of \$58,896.78 which exceeds the \$50,000.00 bidding threshold as set forth in ORC 5549.21 and the bidding process as set forth in ORC 5575.01.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-155 Trustee Miller moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Lake Township Board of Trustees is a taxing authority empowered to submit a tax levy on its behalf within the meaning of Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01; and

WHEREAS, the Board previously determined it is necessary to assess a tax, for a period of five (5) years, for operating expenses of the Lake Township Road District provided for in 5705.19(G), namely:

For the purpose of providing for the general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads and bridges.

WHEREAS, the Board's determination is consistent with Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(G), which authorizes the Board of Trustees of any township to request the question of a tax levy be submitted by the taxing authority to the electors of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has further determined the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation on the current tax list and duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount necessary for the expenses relating

to the operation of the Township Road District and, thus, it is necessary for a renewal tax levy in excess of that limitation to sustain the operations of the Township Road District, pursuant to R.C. 5705.191 and the authority of R.C. 5705.19(G); and

WHEREAS, the Board previously adopted a Resolution pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit "A," declaring it necessary to pursue such renewal tax levy and requesting that the Stark County, Ohio Auditor certify to the taxing authority the total current tax valuation of Lake Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the renewal tax; and

WHEREAS, the Stark County Auditor has certified that such levy will generate an estimated \$792,120 during the first year of collection, based upon the current assessed valuation of the territory of the subdivision of Lake Township Road District. A copy of the certification from the Stark County Auditor is attached hereto, marked as Exhibit "B," and fully incorporated herein.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that:

1. It is hereby necessary to levy a renewal tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the operation of the Township Road District.
2. The question of such renewal tax levy shall be submitted to the electors of Lake Township at the election to be held on November 7, 2023.
3. Such tax levy shall be at a rate not exceeding one and one-quarter (1.25) mills for each one dollar (\$1) of valuation, which amounts to \$26 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, for a period of five (5) years being tax years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027 and 2028.
4. Such tax levy shall be placed on the tax list and duplicate for the tax year commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025, if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof.
5. Accordingly, the question of the renewal tax for the benefit of the operating expenses of the Township Road District at a rate not exceeding one and one-quarter (1.25) mills, for period of five (5) years, beginning with the 2024 tax list and duplicate, shall be submitted under R.C. Section 5705.19(G) and pursuant to R.C. 5705.191, to the electors of Lake Township at the General Election to be held therein on November 7, 2023.
6. The form of the ballot to be cast at the election on the question of this tax levy shall be substantially as follows:

LAKE TOWNSHIP
PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL)
A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.

A renewal tax for the benefit of Lake Township Road District for the purpose of providing for the general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads and bridges, that the county auditor estimates will collect \$792,120 annually, at a rate not exceeding one and one-quarter (1.25) mills for \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$26 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s appraised value, for a period of five (5) years, commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025.

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

7. The submission of said proposal, the notice of election, the form of ballot, the certification of the levy as voted outside the ten-mill limitation, and the levying of such renewal millage shall be in accordance with the provisions of Sections 5705.19, 5705.191, 5705.192 and 5705.25 and other related sections of the Revised Code.

8. The Fiscal Officer is hereby directed to forthwith certify a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Elections, Stark County, Ohio, and file such copy, with Exhibits, with said Board of Elections

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

- The Board noted that this is not a new tax, there will not be increase in taxes.

23-156 Trustee Yoder moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Vince Criswell has been employed/working for Lake Township Road Dept. on an part-time/auxiliary basis since December of 2009, and

WHEREAS, the Lake Township Board of Trustees desire to change his employment status with the township from part-time/auxiliary road department employee to full-time road department labor/operator,

NOW, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Lake Township, Stark County, Ohio, as of May 15, 2023 Vince Criswell’s employment status will

change from part-time/auxiliary road employee to full-time road department labor/operator with an hourly rate change to \$ 26.54 per hour to be held at this rate for one (1) year and revisited upon successful completion of Mr. Criswell's probationary period.

FURTHERMORE, Mr. Criswell's medical insurance will begin on June 1, 2023. All other provisions of the Lake Township Employee Handbook and/or the Utility Workers Union of America AFL-CIO Local #578 Contract other than the new hourly rate, shall apply to Mr. Criswell as though he were a newly hired fulltime road department employee. This shall include a one (1) year probation period beginning May 15, 2023.

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-157 A resolution was made by Steve Miller accepting the May 5, 2023, Proposal No. 338065 from Patterson Pope and authorizing an expenditure, for the Police Department, in the amount of \$33,282.00, pursuant to Ohio DAS State Bid purchase (STS Contract #8000508/4122 pricing schedule) for evidence room storage lockers and shelving units as detailed in said proposal. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

- Trustee Miller noted that they are redoing the outdated evidence room at the police department. They are making it bigger and more secure.

23-158 A resolution was made by Steve accepting the May 4, 2023, Quote No. 7065F6LT69 from Valley Ford Truck Centers and authorizing an expenditure, for the Road Department, in the amount of \$72,560.00 for the Ohio DAS State Bid purchase (Item 43AT/Contract No. RS1010870) of a 2023 Ford F-600 Cab & Chassis as detailed in said quote. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-159 A resolution was made by Steve Miller accepting the May 8, 2023, Estimate No. 2459 from Marlboro Supply and authorizing an expenditure, for the Road Department, in the amount of \$15,072.00 for the purchase of 2,400' of 12" perforated pipe as detailed in said Estimate. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS

- None

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

23-160 A resolution was made by Steve Miller authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to sign all Purchase Orders, Vouchers, and Reconciliations Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

PUBLIC SPEAKS

- None
- There will be no public speaks through the Facebook Live streaming; however, the Trustees still welcome your "public speaks" comments to be emailed to info@laketwpstarkco.com

23-161 A resolution was made by John Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 5:21 p.m.
Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

Matt Erb, Fiscal Officer

Steve Miller, President

John Arnold, Vice President

Jeremy Yoder, Member
