

23-328 A resolution was made by Steve Miller authorizing all EXPENDITURES as of November 13, 2023 in the amount of \$180,006.76 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

- Trustee Yoder noted that \$118,368.00 was to Barbicas for paving

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Jeff Finerock – information regarding services offered by River Tree Lake
2. Stark County Regional Planning Commission – November 7th meeting packet and notification
3. Landmark Dividend – interested in cell tower lease
4. Stark County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office – notification of upcoming Crimewatch Meeting at Greentown Fire Department
5. Ohio Bureau of Workers’ Compensation – notice of 2024 Policy Year Renewal and estimated annual premium
6. Ohio Department of Administrative Services – weekly contracts and amendments for ODAS Cooperative Purchasing Program
7. Stark Economic Development Board – weekly legislative news
8. Stark Soil & Water Conservation District – introduction of new drainage specialist
9. Sean Murphy – question about yard waste hours
10. Stark County Township Association – November 16th meeting information; newly elected township officials form
11. Stream & Wetlands Foundation – copy of correspondence regarding Hartville Swamp SWPPP
12. Spectrum Enterprises – transitioning invoicing to new billing system
13. Evan Prentice – question about placement of landscaping in relation to a fire hydrant
14. Stark County Transportation Improvement District – cancellation notice for November 13th SCTID Meeting
15. NEFCO – meeting packet for the November 15th “Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board”
16. CTMS Team – notice of new office location
17. Ford Motor Company – safety recalls for certain 2021 Police Interceptor UTL vehicles
18. Jeanette Koelzer – noise ordinance inquiry

In reference to Correspondence No 18 – Trustee Miller noted that there are no ordinances that we can enforce without being a home rule township. If you do have an issue with noise, you should reach out to your local law enforcement.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department

- None.

Road Department

- None

Zoning Department

- None

Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office

- None

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

23-329 A resolution was made by Steve Miller authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to execute the following Road Open Permit:

- O-23-25: Patrick Long Homes, Balsamwood (tie-in to public water)

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-330 A resolution was made by Steve Miller authorizing the Board to execute the following cemetery deeds:

- Uniontown Greenlawn Cemetery – Section P, Lot 60, Grave 4
- Uniontown Greenlawn Cemetery – Section P, Lot 44, Graves 1 & 2
- Uniontown Greenlawn Cemetery – Section P, Lot 41, Graves 2 & 3
- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 3, Lot 36, Grave 1
- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 3, Lot 18, Grave 1

- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 2, Lot 28, Grave 5
- Woods Cemetery – Section South, Lot 568, Grave 1
- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 2, Lot 40, Grave 5 (deed correction)

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-331 A resolution was made by Steve Miller accepting the November 7th, 2023, Estimate No. 2740 from Marlboro Supply and authorizing an expenditure, for the Road Department, in the amount of \$14,856.00 for the purchase of 2,400 feet of 12” N-12 Perforated pipe as detailed in said Estimate. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-332 A resolution was made by Steve Miller accepting the October 31st, 2023, Estimate No. Q2023-26-03 from Stark Development of Ohio LLC and authorizing an expenditure, for the Police Department, in the amount of \$2,300.00 for the materials and labor needed for additional work necessary to secure the LEADS server in the evidence room at 1635 Edison Street, Uniontown as detailed in said Estimate. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-333 A resolution was made by Steve Miller reappointing Mike Constantine as a member of the Lake Township Board of Zoning Appeals, which appointment shall commence November 13, 2023, and continue for a period of 5 years. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-334 A resolution was made by Steve Miller pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87, and based on, in part, from information and photos provided by the Zoning Administrator, the Board has determined that a nuisance **does** exist at **3000 Raymond Street NW, Uniontown OH 44685**, due to, but not limited to **the owner's (Vincent C. Slomsky, Sr.) maintenance of vegetation, garbage, refuse and other debris.**

Further resolving that the owner of such premises is hereby ORDERED to abate, control and remove the vegetation, garbage, refuse and other debris from said premises within seven (7) days after receipt of certified "Notice to Abate Nuisance".

If such vegetation, garbage, refuse and other debris is not abated, controlled or removed within seven (7) days, this board will provide for such abatement and/or control of vegetation, debris, refuse and garbage. Any expenses so incurred by this Board will be entered upon the tax duplicate and will be a lien upon the land from the date of entry.

The property owner may contact this Board within seven (7) days and enter into an agreement with said Board providing for either party to the agreement to perform the abatement, control or removal. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

- Trustee Yoder noted the nuisance on Carl St. was taken care of by the resident. The Zoning Administrator will continue to monitor to ensure the progress is maintained. Trustee Miller noted that after consulting with legal counsel there is a process in which the township can get an injunction by the courts should properties to return to their previous state after the abatement. He believes this will apply to the Carl St property should it return to it's previous state.

23-335 A resolution was made by Steve Miller amending Resolution No. 23-319, adopted October 23, 2023, to change the resignation date of Officer Cody Dumont to two-weeks from October 23rd, making his last date of employment November 6th, 2023. Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-336 Trustee Miller moved the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, Cody Dumont worked for the Uniontown Police Department as a reserve officer from May 2022 to August 22, 2022 and as a full-time officer from August 23, 2022 to November 6, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Township has accepted the resignation of Cody Dumont, with his last day of work being November 6, 2023, and Mr. Dumont has accepted employment with Brimfield Township Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Cody Dumont has made inquiries as to the amount of accumulated and unused sick leave available to him at the time of his resignation and has advised that the Brimfield Township Police Department is willing to accept transfer of this sick leave to Brimfield Township; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his resignation, Mr. Dumont does have accumulated, unused sick leave remaining and the final amount will be determined after the pay period, which includes November 6th, 2023, is processed; 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 sick 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 Mr. Dumont and the Brimfield Township Police Department as well as the Brimfield Township Fiscal Department which contains a summary of the accumulated, unused sick leave that Mr. Dumont accumulated during his employment with Lake Township.
3. The Board further directs the Fiscal Officer to pay out, to Mr. Dumont, the final balance of his accumulated/unused comp-time and vacation time remaining as of his resignation date from Lake Township.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-337 Trustee Yoder moved the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, the Township has received a distribution of monies (the “ARPA Funds”) from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA” or the “Act”); and

WHEREAS, Congress passed the Act effective March 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Section 603 created the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund which, among other things, appropriated money to cities, nonentitlement units of local government, and counties to mitigate the fiscal effects stemming from the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease (Covid-19); and

WHEREAS, Department of Treasury Final Rule, published on January 6, 2022, and effective April 1, 2022, provides in part that:

Treasury presumes that up to \$10 million in revenue has been lost due to the public health emergency and recipients are permitted to use that amount (not to exceed the award amount) to fund “government services.” [The “standard allowance”].

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has identified a project which, in the judgment of the Board, qualifies as a permitted use of the ARPA Funds, in direct support of governmental services, which consists of the following:

- Accepting the November 8, 2023, Quote from Dutcher Door, Inc. and authorizing an expenditure for the Administrative Offices, in the amount of \$1,400.00 for the purchase and installation of a LiftMaster T5011 commercial door opener with 4 remotes. The Board further resolves that said quote states that the price does not include low voltage wiring and hereby authorizes an additional expenditure if low voltage wiring is needed to complete the work; and
- Accepting the November 9, 2023, Quote from Dutcher Door, Inc. and authorizing an expenditure for the Administrative Offices, in the amount of \$2,927.00 for the purchase and installation of a replacement overhead Haas Garage Door. The Board further resolves that said quote states that the price does not include low voltage wiring and hereby authorizes an additional expenditure if low voltage wiring is needed to complete the work.

(the “Project”).

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

1. The Township elected to use the standard allowance by way of Resolution No. 22-138 and its presumption of revenue loss due to the public health emergency and to use the amount authorized herein to fund government services.
2. The “Project” is hereby authorized and shall be paid for from the ARPA Funds in an amount not to exceed: \$4,327.00.
3. The Project described herein serves the objectives of the Act by providing services traditionally provided by a government, namely:

✓ **General government administration, staff, and administrative facilities**

4. Accordingly, the Project is in the best interests of the Township and is deemed a priority for the community.

5. No obligations paid under the authority of this Resolution were incurred prior to March 3, 2021.

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-338 A resolution was made by Steve Miller hiring Luke Rockich as an auxiliary Road Department employee at an hourly rate of \$14.00 per hour and pursuant to the provisions contained in Resolution No. 23-037, adopted January 3, 2023 and subject to all provisions of the Lake Township Trustees and the Lake Township Employee handbook. Employment is contingent upon completion of a successful drug test.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

23-339 A resolution was made by Steve Miller to open the Yard Waste Facility to cardholders, for disposal of live Christmas trees only, with regular hours, from Sunday, December 31, 2023, through Monday, January 8, 2024. The site will reopen for the 2024 season on Monday, April 1, 2024, and will continue for the 2024 Season each day as follows:

- Friday's 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.
- Saturday's and Sunday's 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Monday's 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Christmas trees must have all decorations, including tinsel, removed prior to disposal.

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

- The board noted that the yard waste site closes for the season on Monday November 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

23-340 A resolution was made by Steve Miller accepting the November 10, 2023 Quote from Ziegler Tire and authorizing an expenditure, for the Road Department, in the amount of \$2,569.50 for the purchase and installation of tires for Unit 210 (2010 Western Star Class A Dump Truck) as detailed in said quote. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS

- Trustee Yoder noted that the land on Mogadore Ave is up for auction on November 24, 2023. The proceeds will go to help pay the expenses incurred, the remainder will be split with the land bank.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

23-341 A resolution was made by Steve Miller authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to sign all Purchase Orders, Vouchers, and Reconciliations Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller	yes
John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes

PUBLIC SPEAKS

Richard Beck, 13697 Nutmeg Cir, Uniontown: Mr. Beck congratulated Trustee Arnold and Fiscal Officer Matt Erb on their re-election. He thanked the Board for their efficiency running their meetings. He asked the Board about correspondence no. 11 from the Stream and Wetlands Foundation. The Board responded that it was an update regarding some property on Swamp. He asked about installing an EVA charging station somewhere in the township. They said they would look into it.

23-342 A resolution was made by Steve Miller to adjourn the meeting at 5:27 p.m.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

Steve Miller yes

Jeremy Yoder yes

Matt Erb, Fiscal Officer

Steve Miller, President

John Arnold, Vice President

Jeremy Yoder, Member

