

The Board of Lake Township Trustees met at 4:45 p.m. at 12360 Market Avenue North, Hartville, Ohio for the purpose of conducting a Public Hearing for Zoning Amendment No. 24-250, with the regular session following. The meeting was open to the public and streamed live via Facebook with the following members present:

John Arnold, President
Jeremy Yoder, Vice President
Steve Miller, Member

Also Present:

Matt Erb	Daniel Kamerer
The Halseys	Sam Kallergis
Jeremy Guenther	Becky Oberg
Will Oberg	

Trustee Arnold called the Public Hearing to order at 4:45 p.m. and stated the purpose of the hearing is for a proposed rezone of two tracts, approximately 0.80 acres located at the west side of Cleveland Avenue, south of State Street in the SE ¼ Section 30 and NE ¼ Section 31, Lake Township, from OR Office Research and C-1 Light Commercial to C-2 General Commercial

PUBLIC SPEAKS

- Dustin Halsey, property owner of proposed rezone, addressed the Board regarding the request. He owns a small roofing company and would like to run his business from that location. The present zoning does not allow this. He stated that he thinks it would work well for his business. It was a grandfathered auto repair shop before being listed for sale. The Board asked him how his business would impact traffic. Mr. Halsey said it would be used mainly as an office and storage. If a customer may stop in once in a great while to make payment or pick up a sample. Most of his equipment is stored at a different location, materials would be stored inside. During the winter it is possible equipment will be stored in the gravel parking lot area or in the building. He intends to add fencing. There would not be semitruck traffic in and out on a regular basis.
- The Board discussed the rezone request. They asked the Zoning Administrator what the surrounding zoning consists of. She responded the property to the west is zoned PRD, the property to the north is zoned OR, but is being used as a nonconforming residence. The Board noted that Regional Planning recommended denial and the Lake Township Zoning Commission recommended approval. Trustee Miller would like to see the property used and is in favor of rezone. Trustee Yoder is also in favor of the rezone.

24-181 A resolution was made by Jermy Yoder approving the zoning change as voted on and approved by the Lake Township Zoning Commission, which approval goes against the recommendation of the Stark County Regional Planning Commission for Zoning Amendment No. 24-250 (Applicants: Dustin & Sarah Halsey. Owner: John D. Foster Trustee). Map change -- proposed rezone of two tracts, approximately 0.80 acres located at the west side of Cleveland Avenue, south of State Street in the SE ¼ Section 30 and NE ¼ Section 31, Lake Township, from OR Office Research and C-1 Light Commercial to C-2 General Commercial. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

Trustee Arnold adjourned the public hearing and called the regular meeting to order at 4:55 p.m.

- Trustee Arnold opened and reviewed the bids received for the 2024 PAVING PROJECT pursuant to Resolution No. 24-151, adopted April 22, 2024. Five bids were received.

1) The Shelly Company		
	Base Bid Roads	\$1,160,737.50
	Total w/5 alternates	\$2,139,926.20
2) Karvo Company		
	Base Bid Roads	\$1,137,000.00
	Total w/5 alternates	\$2,062,764.74
3) Barbicas Construction Company		
	Base Bid Roads	\$1,073,996.25
	Total w/5 alternates	\$1,955,711.15
4) McB Paving		
	Base Bid Roads	\$1,130,952.85
	Total w/5 alternates	\$2,120,560.89
5) Northstar Asphalt		
	Base Bid Roads	\$1,085,675.00
	Total w/5 alternates	\$1,973,414.60

The Board asked the Road Superintendent and Township Administrator to review the bids.

24-182 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving the minutes of the May 13, 2024, regular meeting as submitted. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-183 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing payment and processing of payroll for May 31, 2024. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-184 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing payment and processing of payroll for June 7, 2024. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-185 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving the Financial (Fund/Appropriation/ Revenue Status and Cash Summary by Fund) Reports as May 28, 2024 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-186 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing all EXPENDITURES as of May 28, 2024 in the amount of \$140,907.66 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Sharon Lawrence – regarding new all way stop at Market & Andrews
2. James and Terry Kish - regarding recycling in the area
3. Kevin Pete – regarding children at play signage
4. Derek Galla – regarding weekly trash pickup
5. Brittany Shippet – regarding tall grass at A&T building on Cleveland Ave
6. Jill Kaufman – regarding creating a noise ordinance
7. Ohio Department of Administrative Services – weekly report of contracts and amendments
8. Stark Economic Development Board – weekly legislative news

9. CUE – updated bylaws and salt contract
10. Kathleen Miller – regarding condition of 3903 Cain St.
11. Michael Rost, Allium Data – records request regarding property and casualty insurance
12. Stark County Commissioners – legal notice regarding wind and solar farms
13. Stark County Engineer – Mt. Pleasant/Pittsburg Project update
14. Chris Neidert – regarding tall grass at 11561 Peach Glen
15. Stark County Regional Planning – June 4, 2024 meeting notice
16. William Smith Jr – requesting 1960 road map of Uniontown
17. Joan McKenzie – regarding tall grass on Broad Vista
18. Stark County Township Association – May meeting recap
19. First Energy Corp – names new executives
20. Free Point Energy Solutions – contract expiration notice
21. Karla Beal – tall grass
22. Michael Coury – regarding Uniontown Police jurisdiction

In reference to the following correspondence:

- No. 1 - The Board noted there are no changes in signage planned; UPD has only reported one incident since the stop signs went up.
- No. 6 - Trustee Miller noted there may be a way for the township to address this through an ordinance; Township Legal Counsel is looking into it.
- No. 22 - Trustee Yoder has also received a couple of phone calls regarding this same issue. Trustee Miller would like to see police coverage township wide that it is vital for the township to move forward. This is a contentious issue that has not had enough support township wide to pass when it has been on the ballot.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department

- None

Road Department

- None

Zoning Department

- The Board acknowledged receipt of the February, March and April 2024 Zoning Reports.

Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office

- None

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

24-187 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to execute the following:

- D-24-11: Dominion Energy, Mogadore Ave. (long side service line

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-188 Trustee Arnold moved the following:

WHEREAS, the Board of Lake Township Trustees pursuant to Resolution No. 10-210 established a government aggregation program and adopted a Plan of Operation and Governance for its electric governmental aggregation program, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Lake Township Trustees would like to amend the adopted Plan of Operation and Governance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Lake Township Trustees hereby amend certain sections of the adopted Plan of Operation and Governance that is currently on file with the Ohio Public Utilities Commission as follows:

- Section 1, paragraph 6 to read as follows:

"Due to the complexity of deregulation of the electric utility industry, the Township will enter into a contract with a PUCO certified broker and aggregator of natural gas and electricity. Among other things, the selected certified broker and aggregator will provide professional assistance which includes these consulting services:

- Draft and assist in maintaining this Plan of Operation and Governance;
- Lead the required Public Hearings and attend Trustee meetings;
- Assist the Township in the day-to-day administration of the program

- (problem resolution, press releases, PUCO compliance, supplier liaison, contract review, etc.);
 - Administer the Request for Proposal process, analyze supplier responses and provide recommendations for the supply agreement;
 - Review customer data provided by the utility that would serve as the basis for an Opt-Out Notice; and
 - Write/prepare reports on a quarterly/annual basis to the Township, PUCO, PUCO's Market Monitoring division, and the Ohio Consumers' Counsel.”
- Section 2.1, paragraph 1 to read as follows:

"Through the efforts of its selected consultant, the Township will seek proposals from CRES suppliers. The request for proposals shall require the suppliers to offer a generation charge for firm, full-requirements supply. CRES Providers will bid by Ohio Edison or Ohio Power customer rate classification or customer class. CRES Providers will be encouraged to bid on as many electric accounts as possible, but it is recognized that from a practical standpoint it is not likely that bids will be received for larger commercial and industrial accounts that require interval metering and individual price analysis. Furthermore, a CRES Provider may not be able to beat Ohio Edison's or Ohio Power's tariff rates for all customer classes and/or rate schedules. The prices to be charged to Members in the Program will be set by Township Trustees, or their designee, after negotiations with the selected CRES Supplier. Members will be notified of the rates and terms of the Program through a direct mailing sent to each eligible resident and business within the Township limits. Once offers are found a table similar to the one shown below will be populated to reflect the offer rates.

Ohio Edison Rate Schedule	CRES Supplier Offer
RS - Residential Service	\$0.0495/kWh through September 2022
GS - General Service	\$0.0495/kWh through September 2022
Other	
Ohio Power Rate Schedule	CRES Supplier Offer
RS - Residential Service	\$0.0452/kWh through September 2022
GS - General Service	\$0.0452/kWh through September 2022
Other	

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold yes
 Jeremy Yoder yes
 Steve Miller yes

24-189 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board to execute the following Cemetery Deeds:

- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 2, Lot 115 (Graves 3 & 4); Lot 126 (Grave 2) and Lot 127 (Grave 3)
- Mt. Peace Cemetery – Section 2, Lot 114 (Graves 4 & 5); Lot 115 (Graves 1 & 2)
- Woods Cemetery – Section North, Lot 99, Graves 7 & 8

Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-190 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting the quote and authorizing/acknowledging an expenditure of \$1,405.00, to Dutcher Door, for the Administrative Offices, for the purchase and installation of a replacement garage door opener at 12360 Market Avenue North. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-191 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting the May 15, 2024, Quote No. DH71273, from Fallsway Equipment Company and authorizing an expenditure in the amount of \$8,090.00, for the Road Department, for the purchase and installation of two (2) underbody storage toolboxes and one (1) flatbed body add-on for the township's MACK MD7 trucks as detailed in said quote. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-192 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting the resignation of Andrew Gleespen as an auxiliary officer with the Uniontown Police Department, effective June 9, 2024. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-193 Trustee Yoder moved 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:

- Retaining the services of GBC Design, Inc. as Criteria Architect for the new “Lake Township Road Department Facility” project. The Board accepts the fees of \$21,500.00 for said services as detailed in said proposal. The Board further authorizes legal counsel to prepare any documents that may be necessary to carry out this project in relation to the Criteria Architect Services and for the Board to execute these documents.

(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 the amount of : \$21,500.00.
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 along with road repair, maintenance and other transportation and safety services**

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 Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

- Trustee Miller noted he, the Road Superintendent, the Township Administrator and Township Legal Counsel interviewed 3 architects for a storage building for equipment at the road department. The Architect will help us put together a design and we will bid it out for a general contractor.

MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS

- None

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

24-194 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to sign all Purchase Orders, Vouchers, and Reconciliations. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	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

24-195 A resolution was made by John Arnold accepting the bid of **Barbicas Construction Company, Inc.** at a total cost of **\$ 1,271,589.00** for the “2024 Paving Project”. The Board further resolves that this includes **9.374 miles** of roadway consisting of the “Base Bid Roads” plus Alternate No. **3** . In addition, the Board authorizes legal counsel to prepare a contract for said project and further authorizes the Board to execute said contract. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

- Trustee Arnold noted this is the least amount of roadway we have paved in a longtime. He suggested we look at the ARPA funds so we do not fall behind on paving.

24-196 A resolution was made by John Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 5:29 p.m. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

Matt Erb, Fiscal Officer

John Arnold, President

Jeremy Yoder, Vice President

Steve Miller, Member
