

The Board of Lake Township Trustees met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. at 12360 Market Avenue North, Hartville, Ohio. 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
Andrew Cooper

Sam Miller

John Arnold called the regular meeting.

- Trustee Arnold opened and reviewed the bid received for the Hooklift Hoist/Snow and Ice Package pursuant to Resolution No. 24-248, adopted July 22, 2024. One bid was received

 - 1) Fallsway Equipment Company \$193,525.00

24-275 A resolution was made by John Arnold tabling the award of the **Hooklift Hoist/Snow and Ice Package** until the September 9, 2024, meeting, so that the Road Superintendent can review the bid(s) received. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-276 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving the minutes of the August 12, 2024, Regular meeting with the correction to Resolution No. 24-264, to reflect the correct address of 12284 San Marino as reflected on the agenda. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-277 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing payment and processing of payroll for August 30, 2024. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-278 A resolution was made by John Arnold approving the Financial (Fund/Appropriation/ Revenue Status and Cash Summary by Fund) Reports as August 26, 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

24-279 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing all EXPENDITURES as of August 26, 2024 in the amount of \$124,573.61 reports will be attached to the minutes and made a part thereof. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Stark County Regional Planning Commission – September 2024 Meeting Notice; copy of correspondence regarding Noble’s Meadowview Allotment and Greentown Intermediate School
2. Ohio Department of Administrative Services – weekly reports of new contracts and amendments to the Cooperative Purchasing Program
3. Seth Daniels – concerns about condition of property at 3750 Carl Street
4. Stark Parks – request to discuss some of Stark Park’s properties that are within the township
5. Mark Fuhriman – information about his economic development services
6. Stark Economic Development Board, Inc. – weekly legislative news
7. Stark County Township Association – notice of September 19th meeting
8. Stark County Auditor – property reappraisal update
9. NEFCO – Tentative Agenda for the August 21, 2024 *Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board*
10. Community University Education COG – notice that Governor DeWine announces \$2.7 Million in H2Ohio Grants for Road Salt Management
11. Ford Motor Company – safety recall for certain 2017 Police Interceptor UTL vehicles

In reference to the following correspondences:

- No. 3 – We are working on starting legal proceedings.
- No. 10 – They are going to start cracking down on the amount of salt municipalities are putting on the roads, they want it to be done more responsibly. The township road superintendent has aggressively been doing this for more than a decade already.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department

- None

Road Department

- None

Zoning Department

- None

Fire Departments/Fire Prevention Office

- None

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

24-280 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board to execute the following Cemetery Deeds:

- Uniontown Greenlawn Cemetery – Section P, Lot 48, Graves 2 & 3
- Uniontown Greenlawn Cemetery – Section P, Lot 48, Grave 4
- Uniontown Greenlawn Cemetery – Section P, Lot 60, Graves 1 & 2
- Woods Cemetery – Section South, Lot 541, Grave 2

Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-281 A resolution was made by John Arnold in conformance with the anticipated decision of the Stark County Commissioners to designate a uniform, county-wide trick-or-treat observance, declaring door-to-door trick-or-treat activities in Lake Township to be held between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. as follows:

- On the afternoon of the same day if October 31 is on a Saturday or Sunday. On the afternoon of the preceding Sunday if October 31 falls on a weekday (Monday-Friday).

Halloween and Trick-or-Treat observance will therefore be held on Sunday October 27, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-282 A resolution was made by John Arnold Authorize correspondence be forwarded to Axiom Wireless and Vertical Bridge advising them of the township's expectations in order to rectify the situation of the breached leach tank at 12360 Market Avenue North and the subject fiber line installed entirely outside the parameters of the 20-foot utility easement. Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

- Trustee Miller noted that the septic tank was inspected by a licensed contractor and the repair made to the tank made it more solid than it was before, so it does not need to be replaced, it is just the line that needs to be moved.

24-283 A resolution was made by John Arnold scheduling a Public Hearing on Monday, September 23, 2024, at 4:45 p.m. for Zoning Amendment No. 24-251 (initiated by Lake Township). A proposed rezone of 24 tracts of land, mainly in the Cleveland Avenue NW corridor, south of Greentown. Public Hearing will be immediately followed by the Regular Meeting of the Board of Lake Township Trustees to begin no sooner than 5 o'clock p.m. Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-284 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Fiscal Officer to release the bond for Road Open Permit:

- O-24-17: Underground Services for work performed at 8393 Burkey Rd.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-285 A resolution was made by John Arnold authorizing the Board and Fiscal Officer to execute the following Road Open Permits:

- D-24-15: Dominion Energy, 12450 King Church (new short side service line)
- O-24-21: JD Haines, PC 10018735, Carl Street (VAS monitoring well)

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-286 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

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 July 22, 2024, Quote from Office Furniture Solutions and authorizing an expenditure for the Administrative Offices, in the amount of \$51,604.20 for the purchase and installation of office furniture for the administrative offices as detailed in said Quote.

(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: \$51,604.20.

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 Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-287 Trustee Yoder motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of Lake Township Trustees, having been informed in writing that Canada Thistle is growing on the lands in charge of Six Brothers Investment Properties, LLC in this township, described as follows: Parcel 2201233 Map Routing # 22 006SW 03-6500 (13415 Cleveland Ave. NW, Uniontown OH 44685)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said Six Brothers Investment Properties, LLC whose address is 935 Oak St Youngstown OH 44506 be notified by serving on him/her/them by certified mail with return receipt requested, a written copy of this resolution that said noxious weeds are growing on such lands and that they must be cut or destroyed within five (5) days after the service of such notice or show this Board cause why there is not need for doing so under Section 5579.05 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Seconded by John Arnold. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-288 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of Lake Township Trustees, having been informed in writing that Canada Thistle is growing on the lands in charge of Craig Strausser, Diane Tornero, and Lisa Renee Bortz in this township, described as follows: Parcel 1900184 Map Routing # 19 034NW 01-1600 (V/L State St. NW, Canton OH 44721)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said Craig Strausser, Diane Tornero, and Lisa Renee Bortz whose address is 4519 Baker St. SE, East Canton OH 44730 be notified by serving on him/her/them by certified mail with return receipt requested, a written copy of this resolution that said noxious weeds are growing on such lands and that they must be cut or destroyed within five (5) days after the service of such notice or show this Board cause why there is not need for doing so under Section 5579.05 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Seconded by Steve Miller. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

24-289 Trustee Arnold motioned the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Board of Lake Township Trustees, having been informed in writing that Canada Thistle is growing on the lands in charge of Steven and Michelle Degraffinreed in this township, described as follows: Parcel 2001755 Map Routing # 20 019SE 01-1800 (3300 Wright Rd. NW, Uniontown OH 44685)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said Steven and Michelle Degraffinreed whose address is 3300 Wright Rd. NW, Uniontown OH 44685 be notified by serving on him/her/them by certified mail with return receipt requested, a written copy of this resolution that said noxious weeds are growing on such lands and that they must be cut or destroyed within five (5) days after the service of such notice or show this Board cause why there is not need for doing so under Section 5579.05 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Seconded by Jeremy Yoder. Roll call votes were:

John Arnold	yes
Jeremy Yoder	yes
Steve Miller	yes

MEETING REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS

- Trustee Yoder met with a couple of property owners exploring what they would like to do with some of the larger commercial lots. He also met with Jackson Township to understand how they approach economic development and they have connected us with a few other people. He along with the Zoning Administrator is looking at different opportunities and how we can be more proactive. He thanked Jackson Township for taking the meetings and pointing them in the right direction.

FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT

24-290 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

Richard Beck, 13697 Nutmeg Cir NW, Mogadore: Mr. Beck asked about Canada thistle that is cited in the noxious weed resolutions. Trustee Arnold noted that was the weed found on the property. Mr. Beck also asked about the H2Ohio Grant money. Trustee Arnold said it is for entities to upgrade their equipment and process for putting down salt to use less salt.

Andrew Carper, 8861 Stonebridge Ave, N. Canton: Mr. Carper asked the Board about the expenditure for office furniture. The Board noted that most of the office furniture has been here for a very long time and is being replaced. He wanted to know if other business could take advantage of those funds as well. The board stated that governments received ARPA funds and we are trying to use them to upgrade some of the buildings and equipment. They didn’t know how it worked for private organizations.

- 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

24-291 A resolution was made by John Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 5:21 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
