

**HOCKING TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

DECEMBER 30, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Claypool with the Pledge to the Flag.

All Trustees, Zoning Inspector and Fiscal Officer were Present.

There were 7 members of the public present.

Mr. Claypool noted the standard rules for Public Participation at the meeting are, be acknowledged by the chairperson prior to speaking, state name and address for the record, time can be limited to 3 questions and/or 5 minutes.

Minutes of the October meeting were read: Doug Shaw motioned to approve the minutes as read seconded by Gail V. Ellinger. The motion passed by voice vote: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Adam Lanier/Engineering firm of Lockwood Lanier, spoke regarding application for OPWC funding next round. He suggested ¼ mile section of Hopewell Church Road from Meister to Madison Township line. Scope of work to improve intersection, ditch on South side of road. Application deadline is October 2010. Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger motioned to make application seconded by Mr. Doug Shaw vote by voice was Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried. The F.O. will forward a copy of the resolution to Jeff Baird at the County Engineer's Office.

ZONING

Zoning Inspector's report: Two building permits were issued: Robert Bowersox rebuild after a house fire No Charge. Jason Ash 3585 Meister Road New Build Residence \$250.00

Adjenda items

1. Meister Road: No updates received.
2. Seymour property Northview Court: Mr. Darling has spoken with the City Prosecutor and will work with him to resolve this issue.
3. 3755 Cincinnati Zanesville Rd Property: Letters have been mailed certified and regular mail with receipt of mailing from Post Office.
4. Janet Brown Property: Nothing checked as yet
5. George Williams property located off Snoko Road: The Regional Planning office has confirmed this property is non-conforming and Mr. Williams can proceed with application to build.
6. 159 Fox property neighborhood business property being used as residential: Still working on this.

Mrs. Fox attended the Regional Planning meeting December and reported on some of the discussions. These did not involve Hocking Township. Next meeting is January 5th.

A discussion followed regarding the Quarterly Zoning Board meeting and if one should be called in January to discuss changes to the zoning book before we go to the expense of printing another copy. It was decided to schedule a meeting of the boards January 19th at 7 PM secretary Stacy Hicks will send notices.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE FISCAL OFFICE

Amanda Township Fire and EMS contracts for 2010. Board members reviewed the contracts and found no changes from 2009. Mr. Doug Shaw motioned to approve the contracts seconded by Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger. Voice vote was: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried.

Estimate from Capital 1 cleaning company to double wax the township hall floors at a cost of \$600.00 was reviewed. Mr. Doug Shaw motioned to approve the expenditure seconded by Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger and vote by voice was: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Stonewall Cemetery Road OPWC: County is bidding the project with work to begin in Spring 2010.
2. Pleasant Valley Road Ditches – Waiting on Army Corp of Engineers to get back with us per our request Oct. 2008.
3. No Engine Brake Sign for Route #22: Paperwork has been submitted to ODOT with no response to date.
4. Mt. Zion and Route 188 intersection: Tabled until February.
5. Township Zoning Map Review. Trustees compared the Township Map with the County's Map. Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger motioned to approve the map and have new maps printed by the County for the Township, seconded by Doug Shaw and vote was: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried.
6. I.D. Badges were approved signed and distributed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger motioned to approve temporary appropriations as proposed by the Fiscal Officer for 2010 seconded by Doug Shaw and motioned approved by voice vote: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes.
2. Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger motioned to adopt a resolution for health insurance for the Township Elected Officials in compliance with ORC Code 505.60, 505.602 and 9.833, and that the newly elected Trustee has the option to be reimbursed for his health insurance cost at 60% of his salary until he retires from ODOT at which time he can apply for our insurance at an open enrollment date, seconded by Doug Shaw voice vote was: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried.
3. A work Session was scheduled for Employee Evaluations January 6th or 7th at 7 AM and the Township Reorganizational meeting was scheduled for January 5th at 7 PM, so moved by Gail V. Ellinger Seconded by Doug Shaw, all trustees approved.
4. Mrs. Ellinger motioned to make application for a credit card for the township with a \$1,000. Limit to be used for incidentals such as Office Supplies etc. Mr. Shaw seconded by motion and voice vote was: Ellinger – Yes, Shaw – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried.
5. Mr. Shaw motioned there being sufficient funds the warrants for December be approved seconded by Mrs. Ellinger and voice vote being: Shaw – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, Claypool – Yes, motion carried.

Mr. Shaw motioned there being no further business to discuss the meeting be adjourned.

Tim Claypool - Chairperson

Gail V. Ellinger

Doug Shaw

Attest:

Dianna J. Russell – Fiscal Officer