

Geneva Township
Regular Meeting
March 13, 2024

Chairman Mills called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM.

The pledge of Alliance was recited.

Roll Call: Mr. Mills and Mr. McGrath were present. Mrs. Miller was absent.

Others present were Fire Chief Shook, Fiscal Officer Caya and Road Supervisor Tod Young. Citizens present were Gazette Newspaper, Jessi Spurlock, Mr. & Mrs. Woods, Steve Gala, Drew Raymond, Bill Douglas, and several students from Geneva High School.

Mr. McGrath made the motion and a second by Mr. Mills to approve minutes from the February 14, 2024 Regular Meeting. Roll Call, both trustees present voted yes.

Mr. McGrath made the motion and a second by Mr. Mills to approve bills for \$55,151.92 covered by E□payments E-18-2024 through 61-2024 and Warrants 22819 through 22865. Roll Call, both trustees present voted yes.

Public Comment:

Fire: Chief Shook reported there was 23 incidents in the Township in February. Most of those incidents were motor vehicle accidents and wires/trees down. There was also a truck fire that scorched a house on Austin. There was about \$1,000 damage to the house and truck was destroyed. They have also been preparing for the eclipse and meeting with other chiefs on the coast guard closing. They will be attending the commodore meeting and handing out flyer for marine service.

Zoning Report: Ron Cerjan reported he issued 5 permits last months and have two more appointments today for permits. He has had the usual real estate people calling him. He is also working on cleaning up an issue on Route 20. They reported that the township has contracted with a company to look at rewriting zoning. Tim Mills reported that the Township might be able to work with Saybrook and apply for a joint grant for the zoning update. Ron Cerjan suggested to make the new language as simple as possible so it can be understood. It was also suggested to deal with junk vehicles and housing in the re-write.

Road Department: Tod Young reported that they jetted the culvert on Austin Road, cleared up some roads and got 3 bags of garbage. They also cleaned up four more deer and have been cold pathing. Mr. Mills reported that the water heater went at Township Hall and they got a quote of \$3,600 to fix it. They decided to save money and do it in house. They are going to try and do some of the smaller things in house. Mr. Young reported that he ordered stone to put in culverts. There was a discussion advertising the stone bid for this year. It was decided to advertise and have the bid opening before the next meeting on April 10th at 8:55 am.

Fiscal Officer: Mrs. Caya went over the February month end reports. She also reported that she has been contacted by the State of Ohio to start the 2022-2023 audit. It will be scheduled within the next week or two. Mrs. Caya stated that the Township has some ARPA funds left that need to be allocated by the end of the year.

New business:

RESOLUTION 2024-02 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WOOD AND LAMPING LLP FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR ZONING LANGUAGE. Mr. McGrath made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-2, seconded by Mr. Mills. Roll Call, both trustees present voted yes.

There was a discussion on running some new water line on Padanarum by North Ave. The Township can use their remaining ARPA funds.

There was also a discussion on continuing to have T-N-R to do some more work on the outbuilding at the Township garage. The township can use NOPEC funds. Mr. McGrath made a motion to have T-N-R work on the Township garage building. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. Roll Call, both trustees present voted yes.

Committee Reports:

There was a discussion on the Fire Levy and how important it is to support it.

Public Comment:

Bill Douglas commented that to look at restoration and clean up after logging with the new zoning update.

Andrew Raymond asked how the e cold patch hold up. Mr. Mills said it holds up pretty good if there is a good base. There was a discussion on chip and seal and getting a price on Maple Ave.

Mr. McGrath made the motion and a second by Mr. Mills, there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:26 AM. All trustees voted yes.

Recorded and documented by Tammy Caya

Fiscal Officer