

Geneva Township
Regular Meeting
June 12, 2024

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

The pledge of Alliance was recited.

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

Others present were Asst. Fire Chief Parks, Fiscal Officer Caya and Road Worker Ray Dresnek. Citizens present were Gazette Newspaper – Erin Hrin, Kelly Valencic, Al Virant, Jim & Barb Wood, Steve Gala, Drew Raymond, Bob Russell and Bill Douglas.

Mrs. Miller made the motion and a second by Mr. Mills to approve minutes from the May 8, 2024 Regular Meeting. Roll Call, all trustees present voted yes.

Mrs. Miller made the motion and a second by Mr. Mills to approve bills for \$82,799.98 covered by E□ payments E-8112-2024 through 143-2024 and Warrants 22938 through 2257. Roll Call, all trustees present voted yes.

Public Comment:

Mr. & Mrs. Woods commented about the raceway on Maple Road, there are a lot of cars speeding. Tim Mills said he will ask the Highway Patrol to patrol more.

Steve Gala said he would like to not have his property mowed by the Township. He takes care of it and doesn't want the debris left from the big mower.

Bill Douglas asked is there is any update on the zoning. Tiffany Miller stated they have been working with a company to review the zoning and they will have recommendations soon.

Al Virant – commented that the Road Department is doing a good job and the ditching has done a good job. Al Virant commented on the traffic on Route 534 and Maple. He raised concerns about the pole at the intersection, one of the poles needs to be removed because someone is going to get hurt. Tim Mills stated that the Township is doing a grant to review concerned areas.

Fire: Asst. Chief Parks reported there was 19 incidents in the Township in May. He reported that the City will be hiring a new Full-time Firefighter because Randy Goff is retiring. He also reported that he is working on a project with the Red Cross to provide smoke detectors. He will provide a flyer for the Township to add to their website. Jeff Griffiths asked if City Council can help support the Fire Levy. They hope to start having open meetings in August.

Zoning Report: Ron Cerjan was not present at the meeting. Ron Cerjan had several permits this past month. There is a property on Lake Road East with 40 foot of frontage that wants to combine their lots. Mrs. Miller reported that she has received some recommendations on the

zoning from Wood and Lamping. They wanted to meet with the Township to go over them today but will re-schedule when Ron and David are available.

Road Department: Ray Dresnek reported that they are going to do the next round of mowing starting on the 17th. They are getting new tires and alignment on the F550. The yellow truck broke down again and suggested the Township look into replacing it while it is still worth something. There was a discussion on cold paving East Maple from Austin to Meyers for the cost of \$115,624.68. Mrs. Miller made a motion to approve the quote from the County and move forward with cold paving of East Maple from Austin to Meyers. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. Roll call on passage, both Trustees present voted yes. Motion passed.

Fiscal Officer: Mrs. Caya went over the May month end reports. The year to date revenues are over what was budgeted and the expenses are still below what was budgeted. Ms. Caya also reported that provided a draft of the 2025 Tax Budget for the Trustees to review. Once the Trustees reviewed it, she will finalize it for the July meeting.

New business:

Resolution No. 2024-06. A Resolution Determining to Proceed With The Submission To The Electors Of Geneva Township (Exc. City & Village) Levying A New Tax In Excess Of The Ten-Mill Limitation For The Purpose Of Providing Fire Service Pursuant Orc 5705.19, Orc 5716.91, Orc 5705.25, Orc 5705.26. . Mrs. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-06, seconded by Mr. Mills. Roll call on passage, both trustees present voted yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2024-07 - A Resolution Authorizing The Board Of Trustees To Enter Into An Agreement With Sba Monarch Towers Iii, LLC For An Amendment To Site Lease With Option And Memorandum Of Lease. Mrs. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-07, seconded by Mr. Mills. Roll call on passage, both trustees present voted yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Mills reported that the court case with Bendfast, the appeal was approved and the case will start over. He will keep everyone updated once the court dates have been scheduled.

Mrs. Miller made a motion to approve Andrew Gonter for the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. Roll call on passage, both trustees present voted yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Chip and Seals bids were reviewed and discussed. Geauga Highway asked the question of the bids included prevailing wages as required. Mrs. Miller made a motion to approve the low bidder of Suit Kote pending the review of the bids for prevailing wage. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. Roll call on passage, both trustees present voted yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports: None

Public Comment: Mr. & Mrs. Woods commented about the property on the corner of Wheeler Creek and Maple that has recently sold and has a camper on it. Tim Mills said he will check with Ron on the status. There was a discussion about the complaint they sent to the Health Department on the property next to them. Mr. Mills asked them to forward them a copy of the complaint so he can inquire about it. Bob Russell said he will follow up on it as well.

Mrs. Miller made the motion and a second by Mr. Mills, there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:29 AM. All trustees voted yes.

Recorded and documented by Tammy Caya

Fiscal Officer