

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
CLEARCREEK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
Minutes of Regular Meeting
November 12, 2024

The Clearcreek Township Trustees met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mr. Gabbard, Mr. Muterspaw, and Mr. Wade.

Mr. Wade opened the meeting and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Wade asked for a motion to appoint Mr. Joel Logsdon to the position of Probationary Fire Captain effective November 12, 2024, at the prescribed rate of pay of \$34.96 per hour. Mr. Muterspaw so moved with Mr. Gabbard seconding the motion. Upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Muterspaw-yea; Mr. Gabbard-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

Mr. Wade then asked Mr. Logsdon to come forward to take the Oath of Office for Fire Captain. Mr. Wade administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Logsdon. Nathan Logsdon pinned the badge on his father. The Board and audience congratulated Captain Logsdon and his family.

Mr. Wade called for Public Comment.

Mr. Randy Bertram, 7039 Ashwood Ct, came forward to express his deep gratitude to Clearcreek Township Police, Fire, and Warren County Dispatch for their efforts in saving his life during a medical emergency on September 12, 2024. The audience, which included members of the Clearcreek Township Police, Fire, and Warren County Dispatch, gave enthusiastic recognition for the Public Safety's lifesaving actions.

Mr. Carolus, Fiscal Officer, gave background information on Resolutions 5553 and 5554.

Mr. Wade read Resolution 5553 – A Resolution approving supplemental appropriations to the Permanent Budget Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2024, dispensing with the second reading, and declaring an emergency. The emergency was the need to supplement and transfer coterminous payments at the earliest time permitted by law. Mr. Wade asked for a motion to approve the Resolution. Mr. Gabbard so moved with Mr. Muterspaw seconding the motion. Upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Gabbard-yea; Mr. Muterspaw-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

Mr. Wade read Resolution 5554 – A Resolution approving a transfer of General Fund – Transfers Out to Fire Fund – Fire-Transfers-In in the Permanent Budget Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2024, dispensing with the second reading, and declaring an emergency. The emergency was the need to transfer coterminous payments to the Fire Fund at the earliest time permitted by law. Mr. Wade asked for a motion to approve the Resolution. Mr. Muterspaw so moved with Mr. Gabbard seconding the motion. Upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Muterspaw-yea; Mr. Gabbard-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

Mr. Clark, Township Administrator, gave a short presentation on Resolution 5555 for the 2025 budget. Mr. Clark noted that the second reading would take place at the next meeting. Mr. Clark highlighted that the budget included some repair work for the Patricia Allyn Park entrance. Mr. Clark also noted that Salt was budgeted for the 2025 season along with almost one million dollars allocated for road

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resurfacing and striping. Mr. Clark also noted adjustments to the Police and Fire budgets. Mr. Wade asked for a motion to approve the first reading of the Resolution. Mr. Gabbard so moved with Mr. Muterspaw seconding the motion. Upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Gabbard-yea; Mr. Muterspaw-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

Mr. Wade read Resolution 5556 – A Resolution authorizing the Township Administrator to incur obligations greater than \$10,000 on behalf of the Township, dispensing with the second reading, and declaring an emergency. The emergency was the need to authorize and to approve immediate payment for the above obligations at the earliest time permitted by law. Mr. Clark noted that Exhibit A related to a contract with Miami Valley Lighting for streetlights in the AES powered territory of the Township. Mr. Clark stated that Exhibit B related to the chemical lawn treatment at Patricia Allyn Park for 2025. Mr. Clark and Mr. Terrill, Police Chief, gave background information on the drone purchase on Exhibit C. Mr. Wade, Mr. Gabbard, and the Chief discussed the purchase and how it would be used. Chief Terrill updated the Board on the radar purchase described in Exhibit D along with the need to purchase a 2024 Chevrolet Silverado as described in Exhibit F. Mr. Wade and Mr. Gabbard discussed the purchase with the Chief. Mr. Wade asked for a motion to approve the Resolution. Mr. Muterspaw so moved with Mr. Gabbard seconding the motion. Upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Muterspaw-yea; Mr. Gabbard-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

Mr. Clark discussed creating a noise resolution for the Township. Mr. Clark noted the administrative recommendation that sound should be measured using a decibel meter as an objective way to measure the noise at the property line. Mr. Clark also noted the recommended exemptions to that noise resolution. Mr. Pacheco, Law Director, gave information on how the resolution was structured and discussed the issue with the Board. The Board, Mr. Pacheco, and Mr. Clark discussed the best way to get input into the process for Township residents. Mr. Clark was advised to place the issue on the website and schedule a public input meeting sometime after the first of the year to allow adequate input from all potentially affected parties.

Mr. Palmer, Planning and Zoning Director, asked the Board to appoint the following citizens as Full Members to the Board of Zoning Appeals, terms as indicated:

1. Sarah Mellon for a term running December 1, 2024, through November 30, 2029
2. Andre Tagliamonte for a term running December 1, 2024, through November 30, 2026

Mr. Wade asked about the process for getting on the Board. Mr. Palmer gave information on the process and some of the requirements needed to be a successful Board member. Mr. Wade asked for a motion to approve the appointments. Mr. Gabbard so moved with Mr. Muterspaw seconding the motion. Upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Gabbard-yea; Mr. Muterspaw-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

The Board discussed progress on Station 24 with Mr. Agenbrood, Fire Chief.

The Board discussed the new salt bin with Mr. Jones, Road Superintendent.

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Mr. Wade asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Muterspaw so moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented to the Board:




- 1 Approval of Regular Minutes – October 28, 2024, Regular Session.
- 2 Current Bills and Financial Report.
- 3 Accept the Road, Planning and Zoning, Police and Fire monthly reports for October 2024.

Mr. Gabbard seconded the motion and upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Muterspaw-yea; Mr. Gabbard-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

The Board discussed the arrangements for the Christmas in Springboro parade. Mr. Gabbard noted that Springboro defeated Cuyahoga Falls Walsh Jesuit 4-2 in penalty kicks after a 0-0 draw to win the Division I girls soccer state championship in the Ohio High School Athletic Association tournament. Mr. Gabbard noted the soccer team would ride ahead of him in the parade.

Mr. Clark reminded the Board of the inquiry from a reporter concerning the zoning amendment prohibiting the cultivation, processing, and dispensing of medical or recreational marijuana in the township.

With no further business, Mr. Wade asked for a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:25 p.m. Mr. Gabbard so moved with Mr. Muterspaw seconding the motion. Upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Gabbard-yea; Mr. Muterspaw-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

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