

Held

September 23

2019

The Clearcreek Township Trustees met in regular session at 9:00 a.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 if the Board members had any consent agenda item or items that they wished removed. No removal from the consent agenda was requested.

Mr. Wade opened the floor for public comment.

Mr. Richard Zedeker, 6401 Township Line Road, came forward to ask about progress on the noxious weeds and tall grass issues he discussed at the last Board meeting. He stated that the Township's current rules are out of step with other adjacent communities and need to be adjusted to reflect the changing nature of the Township. Mr. Jeff Palmer, Zoning Director, stated that he had been in contact with the Board to look at ways to address the issues brought forth by Mr. Zedeker, but needed input from the Board. Mr. Zedeker also received an update from Mr. Palmer on adjacent properties lack of required trees being installed. Mr. Palmer stated he would be in contact with Mr. Zedeker before the next Board meeting.

No further Public Comment was noted.

Mr. Mathew Clark, Township Administrator, presented the Board with an offer to purchase Township property at 6908 North State Route 48. After a short discussion, Mr. Muterspaw moved to reject the offer. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gabbard and upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Muterspaw-yea; Mr. Gabbard-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

Mr. Clark asked the Board about changing the method for bonding public officials from individual surety bonds to those that are available from the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA). OTARMA currently provides insurance coverage for the Township. This would ease the administrative burden of providing those bonds and potentially save money. Mr. Gabbard moved to bring forth a resolution that would enable OTARMA to provide the coverage as required by Ohio Revised Code. The motion was seconded by Mr. Muterspaw and upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Gabbard-yea.; Mr. Muterspaw-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

Mr. Palmer asked the Board for direction in creating a resolution that would reflect the Board's desire concerning tall grass and weeds on properties that have larger acreage and are of a residential nature. The Board and Mr. Palmer discussed the various issues with the proposed resolution. All members of the Board felt that any proposed legislation would need to reduce the height requirements while taking into account property that is actively used for agricultural business. Direction was given to Mr. Palmer to create a resolution that would reduce the current height requirements for tall grass and weeds.

Mr. Muterspaw moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented to the Board:

- A. Current Bills.
- B. Approval of Minutes – September 9, 2019 Regular Meeting.
- C. Fire - Approve an updated inventory policy compliant with Ohio Revised Code 505.04, for the Fire District.

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


Mr. Steve Agenbroad, Fire Chief, updated the Board on issues with the septic system at Fire Station 23. Extensive work may be required to fix those issues with estimates between \$10,000 and \$15,000.


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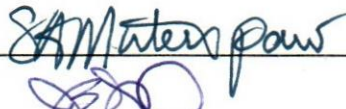
Mr. Clark updated the Board on the forthcoming 2020 Federal Census.

Mr. Muterspaw advised the Board that he attended a workshop on minimizing child sexual assault. Mr. Muterspaw felt that the information presented in the workshop would benefit Township employees. The Board agreed that any information that would help raise awareness in combating this issue would be beneficial.

At 9:34 a.m., and with no further business to conduct, Mr. Gabbard moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Muterspaw and upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Gabbard-yea.; Mr. Muterspaw-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

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