

Geneva Township
Regular Meeting
March 10, 2021

Chairman Mills called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Those present were Mr. Mills, Mr. Russell, Mr. Brown and Fiscal Officer Mrs. Huff, Zoning inspector Ron Cerjan, Road Supervisor Tod Young, Ray Dresnek

Visitors: Colleen O'Toole Ashtabula County Prosecutor, Bill Douglas,

Mr. Russell made the motion and a second by Mr. Brown approved minutes from the February regular meeting. All Trustees voted yes.

Mr. Russell made the motion and a second by Mr. Brown to approve bills for \$77,065.35 covered by e-payments E-26-41 and Warrants 21459-21500.

Public Comments: Mr. Douglas addressed Ms. O'Toole regarding townships having Air B&B. She responded by stating that she would check with the State on the laws, because this issue has been brought to her attention by other townships. Also, further discussion continued regarding how is the bed tax collected, income tax, and how is it regulated and enforced, and whether it is considered commercial or residential. Ms. O'Toole stated that her office has a communication tool called Matrix that the township can register and present questions of concern, which the prosecutor's office monitors and will be able to answer and follow up.

Fire Department: Mr. Russell reported that Dale Arkenburg will be retiring in 2021. They received Marls radios from the COVID funding. They received a mule from Saybrook Fire but will need to purchase a pump for the mule.

Zoning Report: Mr. Cerjan stated that the property on West Maple Avenue, the dumpster has been removed and the property is cleaned up. Need to call Terry Palmer regarding the tires on Maple Avenue have not been removed yet. Dollar General has started demo this week and equipment on the property. Brian Robshaw has 8 acres and would like to put family rentals on the property but zoning has not received it in writing yet.

Road Department: Mr. Young stated that they are cold patching. He spoke about crack seal and stated that if the department rented the Machine and material it would cost .56 per pound, and if we did it, the cost is .48 per pound. The township Machine is old and the heating wand gets hot.

A motion from Mr. Russell and a second by Mr. Brown to allow D&J Materials to supply materials with discretion of Mr. Young but not to exceed \$7000.00. All trustees voted yes. Best Equipment is 8-10 weeks out and O'Reilly's stated they have the bed in stock, with the cost at \$7,986.06. The bed/box/ lights they can install.

A motion by Mr. Russell and a second by Mr. Brown to buy flat bed and not to exceed \$8000.00 by O'Reilly. All trustees voted yes. Mr. Young stated that 447 tons used and need 200 tons storage.

Fiscal Officer Report: Mrs. Huff presented Resolution 2021-03 to submit a renewal levy to the voters of 1.00 mills for the purpose of providing general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, and repair of road and bridges. Mr. Russell made a motion and a second by Mr. Brown. All Trustees voted yes to put a levy on in November 2021 as a renewal.

New Business: Mr. Russell summarized the cell tower issue to Colleen O'Toole and she stated that she would look into the status of the case. She suggested that the parties get together and have a mediation and have discussion regarding this matter.

Committees: Northwest Ambulance audit is done and had no findings. No Cemetery business. Mr. Douglas stated regarding the county comp plan, and was on their website, had their first 1st public meeting and decided on areas to target.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm, motioned by Mr. Russell and second by Mr. Brown. All trustees voted yes.

Fiscal Officer