

Geneva Township
Regular Meeting
November 10, 2021

Chairman Mills called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Those present were Mr. Mills, Mr. Russell, Ron Cerjan, Fiscal Officer Caya, Tod Young and Barb & Greg Koren, Kristy Vavpetic and Josh Kujala were present. Mr. Brown was absent.

Mr. Russell made the motion and a second by Mr. Mills to approve minutes from the October 13, 2021. All trustees present voted aye.

Mr. Russell made the motion and a second by Mr. Mills. All trustees present voted yes to, approve bills for \$ 83,690.67 covered by e-payments E-163-180 and Warrants 21783-21838. All trustees present voted in favor of the motion.

Public Comment: Josh Kujala asked if there is any further information on the water line installation project for New London. Mr. Russell commented that he met with County water Advisory Board. County Commissioners and Doug Starkey from the Environmental Department. They are still talking about trying to use some of the ARP Funds. The County is also trying to work out- how to do the loop that would be preferred. Mr. Russell also commented that it will probably take some time to work out all the details of the project. The Township will have to make sure that they do everything procedurally correct. They have until 2024 to use the ARP funds.

There was a question on what the project will do to property tax value. Mr. Russell suggested to reach out to the County Auditor David Thomas to discuss that issue.

Kristy Vavpetic expressed her concern about safety forces in the Township in regard to an incident she had at her property. Mr. Russell and Mr. Mills said they will have to look into the policy of mutual aid for the surrounding areas.

Fire: The New Fire Chief David Shook was in attendance at the meeting. He reported that there was two fires in the Township between the dates of August 1st and October 21st. The first was on North Ridge and the 2nd was on Padanarum Road.

Zoning Report: Ron Cerjan reported he issued two permits and denied on lot split. He has contacted the owner of the North Ave property to ask him to start cleaning it up. The car o West Maple has been removed but the tires are still there. He also reported that someone is trying to build a house on Silva Drive but the lot is not big enough.

Road Department: Tod Young reported that they did the ditch on Maple last week. They are still working on scheduling demos for the excavators. They have received the new flail mower and we will need to decide what to do with the old one. The plow has been sold and the money was received and the new truck is ready to go. Mr. Russell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mills for the Street Department to purchase new radios. All Trustees present voted yah. Mr. Russell commented that

Russell reported that he applied for Township Stimulus Road Grant. There is \$8 million dollars for 1300 Townships. He talked to Tim Martin about Austin Road and submitted at \$240,000 grant which local match would be \$60,000. If Geneva Township gets grant the will need to formally accept it.

Fiscal Officer: Mrs. Caya reported that she is working the Township's medical insurance broker on getting renewal quotes. She also reported that she has a meeting with the new company who will be administering the HRA for the upcoming year. She has also been working on the 2022 Budget draft,

New Business: None

Committee: Mr. Russell reported that NAD has approved their contract and the Road Levy has passed,

Public Comment: There was a question asked what is going on Austin Road, a new winery? Ron Cerjan said there is talks about a new winery but there is just a new home construction.

There was a question about getting sewer on Maple. Mr. Russell commented that there were discussions previously about a Sewer District but nothing came to light from the discussions.

There was a request to have a special meeting to discuss the water project once the Engineers estimate is complete.

Mr. Russell made the motion and a second by Mr. Mills, there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM. All trustee voted aye.

Fiscal Officer