

**MINUTES OF THE WAYNE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
HELD JUNE 20, 2023**

Ms. Colvin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call: Ms. Colvin – present; Mr. Jacobs -present; Mr. Patrick - present.

The following staff were present: Donald Edwards, Administrator; Scott Camery, Roads Supervisor; Paul Scherer, Fire Chief; Stacey Lowing, Zoning Inspector; and Darrell Coffman, Fiscal Officer.

The following guests/residents were present: Dale Edwards

Ms. Colvin led all present in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Ms. Colvin asked for a motion to approve the June 6, 2023, minutes. Mr. Patrick motioned to approve the minutes, and Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion. All were in favor.

ADDITIONS, REMOVALS OR DISCLOSURES FROM THE POSTED AGENDA: none

CITIZENS' COMMENTS: none

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

ROAD DEPARTMENT:

Scott Camery, Road Superintendent, provided the following report:

1. Halfway through the 2nd round of mowing.
2. Chip-seal is still on track for the end of the month.
3. I still have a couple spots of wedging to complete, however, the worst spots have been completed.
4. Warren County Water and Sewer will be doing an “open cut” water/sewer upgrade/realignment across Corwin Rd. This will start on or around the 5th of July, and last approximately 2 weeks. This is in conjunction with the St. Rt. 73 bridge rehabilitation project that ODOT is starting this fall.
5. 100% availability of Road Department equipment.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Paul Scherer, Fire Chief, provided the following report:

Have a few more applications that were handed out and waiting on the returns.

New Applicants Samuel Graci and signed contract for Sarah Ionescu

Parts on backorder with 3-week lead time for air leak repair of 403 (2010 Seagrave)

New Seagrave Engine

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ZONING DEPARTMENT:

Stacey Lowing, Zoning Inspector, provided the following report:

BZA 6.15.23

- 9412 Old Stage Rd., Brian and Holly Nevels, variance denied.
- 8341 Stockholm Ct., James and Maria Harvey, variance approved.

- Resolution on the agenda tonight to appoint Steve Rohrs to a five-year term. His original appointment was until July. His new term would expire July 1, 2028.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Donald Edwards, Administrator, provided the following report:

FD Staffing:

Request a work session on fire department staffing and funding issues at a future meeting date to determine if we need to present anything to the electorate in November.

TextMyGov:

TextMyGov is a communication platform to open lines of communication with local government agencies and citizens. The system works 24 hours a day and easily connects with your website and other communication methods.

Using the regular messaging app on any smartphone, the smart texting technology allows the citizen to ask questions and get immediate responses, find links to information on the agency's website, address problems, report any issues and upload photos. (see description in packet)

Independence Day Celebration:

July 1st, Saturday. The parade begins at noon. Concert at Bicentennial Park at 7:00 in the evening. Fireworks at 10:00 pm.

Chamber of Commerce:

They have moved their office to 174 S. Main Street. The street end suite of the office building in The Village Restaurant parking lot.

Safety Council:

Wrapped up this year's fiscal program and next year's program will be held on the second Friday of each month. The BWC rebate next year for participation in the Safety Council will be 3% of premium, up from the current 2%.

Millage Certification:

Received millage certification from the Warren County Auditor's office.

Residential / Ag valuation is	294,638,290
Class II	14,581,940
Public Utility	37,880,480
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TOTAL Valuation =	346,880,480

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OLD BUSINESS:

A. Website update status- Mr. Patrick stated that he would have something ready by the mid-July meeting.

B. Other- none

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Questions or Concerns Regarding the Bills: NONE

B. Legislation:

RESOLUTION 2023-42 APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE AND HIRING OF SAMUEL J. GRACI TO THE WAYNE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT AS A FIREFIGHTER II / EMT-B

Ms. Colvin motioned to adopt the resolution. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion and upon call of the roll thereon the vote resulted as follows: Ms. Colvin – yea; Mr. Jacobs – yea; Mr. Patrick – yea. The resolution was therefore adopted the 20th of June 2023.

RESOLUTION 2023-43 APPROVE ENTERING INTO A CONTINUING EDUCATIONAL CONTRACT WITH SAMUEL J. GRACI FOR A PARAMEDIC PROGRAM AS A FIREFIGHTER II / EMT-B WITH WAYNE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Jacobs motioned to adopt the resolution. Ms. Colvin seconded the motion and upon call of the roll thereon the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Patrick – yea; Mr. Jacobs – yea; Ms. Colvin – yea. The resolution was therefore adopted the 20th of June 2023.

RESOLUTION 2023-44 RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING STEVE ROHRS TO THE WAYNE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Mr. Jacobs motioned to adopt the resolution. Mr. Patrick seconded the motion and upon call of the roll thereon the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Jacobs – yea; Mr. Patrick – yea; Ms. Colvin – yea. The resolution was therefore adopted the 20th of June 2023.

RESOLUTION 2023-45 ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF DARIA RIKE FROM THE WAYNE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Patrick motioned to adopt the resolution. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion and upon call of the roll thereon the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Patrick – yea; Ms. Colvin – yea; Mr. Jacobs – yea. The resolution was therefore adopted the 20th of June 2023.

RESOLUTION 2023-46 ACCEPTING THE TERMINATION OF MARCUS ROLL FROM THE WAYNE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Ms. Colvin motioned to adopt the resolution. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion and upon call of the roll thereon the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Jacobs – yea; Ms. Colvin – yea; Mr. Patrick – yea. The resolution was therefore adopted the 20th of June 2023.

RESOLUTION 2023-47 ACCEPTING THE TERMINATION OF CLIFTON LAMB FROM THE WAYNE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

Ms. Colvin motioned to adopt the resolution. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion and upon call of the roll thereon the vote resulted as follows: Ms. Colvin – yea; Mr. Jacobs – yea; Mr. Patrick – abstain. The resolution was therefore adopted the 20th of June 2023.

C. Other New business: Chief Scherer stated that Sarah Ionescu passed her physical agility test.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Coffman received a notice from Enbridge regarding pipeline safety.

Mr. Edwards- Couple letters from energy harbor regarding electric rates. He also stated that the Village of Waynesville is passing a resolution tonight to enter into a multi-jurisdictional agreement with Wayne Township regarding Corwin Avenue.

ELECTED OFFICIAL’S COMMENTS:

Mr. Jacobs made a statement about Ultra Fiber and internet extension. Ms. Colvin stated that there will be a special election, with an election issue about making it more difficult to amend the Ohio constitution.

WORK SESSION: Discussed staffing issues at the Fire Department, and whether a levy should be attempted. A new millage certification was received from the Warren County Auditor’s Office.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, at 8:20 pm Ms. Colvin motioned to adjourn. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

President, Board of Trustees