RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of New Russia Township Trustee Regular Meeting

HELD **May 4, 2021**

Chairman, Andrew Gulish called the May 4, 2021 Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees: Andrew Gulish, Jack Hoyt, Patricia Brubaker were present as well as Fiscal Officer, Lisa Akers. Staff and Public: Kris Waechter, Bryan Plemons, Desi Justin, John & Kathy Rokasy, Dan Jarven

Motion to Approve April 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Jack Hoyt to approve the April 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Patricia Brubaker. RCV: Jack Hoyt—aye; Patricia Brubaker—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye. **MOTION CARRIED** **2021-05-01**

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

The Financial and Investment Reports were reviewed and found in order.

Motion to Approve Warrants

Motion was made by Patricia Brubaker to approve warrants totaling $61,090.25, seconded by Jack Hoyt. RCV: Patricia Brubaker—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye. **MOTION CARRIED** **2021-05-02**

Fiscal Officer requested anticipated spending from Trustees to prepare the 2022 Budget. Trustees would like Parsons Road resurfacing project included. No new equipment is anticipated for next year.

Motion to Approve Disposition of Property

Motion was made by Patricia Brubaker to approve the Disposition of Property for one (1) 8" x 30" Banquet Table due to safety concerns, seconded by Jack Hoyt. RCV: Patricia Brubaker—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye.

MOTION CARRIED **2021-05-03**

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PUBLIC CONCERNS AND REQUESTS—n/a

STAFF REPORTS

Dan Jarven: Two (2) new single home permits were issued in April. Four (4) home permits have been issued since beginning of year.

Bryan Plemons: **Calls for Service**

-Apr. 4th, 2021, Rt. 58 near Russia Rd., deputies checked on a suspicious vehicle that was parked in a field. The occupants were located and determined to hunting coyotes with the owner's permission.
-Apr. 6th, 12000 block of Oberlin Rd., where a home owner was cited for a noise resolution complaint.
-Apr. 6th, 9000 block of Rt. 58, reference two males physically fighting in the yard. Upon arrival, one of the subjects had left and the matter was resolved with no charges filed.
-Apr. 11th, 12000 block of Quarry Rd., reference a natural causes death investigation.
-Apr. 13th, 10000 block of Oberlin Rd., reference a burglary alarm which turned out to be a false alarm.
-Apr. 13th, the New Russia Twp. Preserve, reference a reckless driver driving an older black Chrysler 300. This was captured on the park video cameras and attempts were made to identify the driver of this vehicle.
-Apr. 13th, 48000 block of Russia Rd., assisted a home owner who locked themselves out of their vehicle.
-Apr. 16th, deputies assisted the state patrol with dispatching an injured deer reference a vehicle accident of RT. 58.
-Apr. 17th, 44000 block of Oberlin Elyria Rd., reference a male who was suicidal and requested an ambulance. Deputies stood by while this male was transported without incident.

Desi Justin: -Reservations running smooth, how long should Covid Cancellation Policy stay in effect? ***Trustees stated return to normal Cancellation Policy effective July 1, 2021.***

Kris Waechter: -4/26 water line break which provides water to drinking fountain in Picnic Shelter. Break is underground and water has been turned-off till fixed. Turnbull Plumbing said line is more than like under landscape mound and suggests running a new line around mound to repair to minimize damage. Waiting for price from Turnbull for repair cost. It was decided to wait till after wedding season to repair so area is not unsightly for ceremonies held in Pergola, plus drinking fountains are not in use with current Covid restrictions.
-Would like to get pricing to replace pipe in Cemetery due to drainage issues. Previous discussions in which pipe was jet rodded but did not help. Resident near entrance of Cemetery is worried about flooding in future. ***Trustees agree to get pricing.***

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Kris Waechter: -Passed Pesticide Certification which allows to spray for bugs in exterior and interior of buildings. Would like permission to spray NRT buildings which would eliminate the need for Orkin Exterminating Service. ***Trustees did not respond.***
-Justin Excavating rolled the walking trail, requesting purchase of stone for top dressing of trail, cost would be $1700.00. ***Trustee Hoyt would like to take another look at trail before deciding.***
-First Chipping Day of season is tomorrow.
-Hamilton Street mowing will start (April-Oct)
-Have used cold patch in a few areas on roadways.
-Hamilton Street did not flood the other day when we had heavy rain.

TRUSTEE BUSINESS

Chairman Gulish: -Linda Slocum from Oberlin City Council called and would like to meet with NRT Board in June to discuss annexation and sidewalks. Council is willing to meet in-person at NRT as long as social distancing is practiced. June dates will be decided at next meeting.

Correspondence were reviewed and found in order. Special Note: Lorain County Township Association thank you for use of "The Lodge" during pandemic included a special note stating Desi is "wonderful" to work with.

Trustee Hoyt feels we should respond to Lorain County Commissioners request regarding federal funding for infrastructure projects which would include Parsons Road resurfacing from Oberlin City Limits to Carlisle Township line as well as broadband within Township.

Pleasnick Ditch Request Review, Kris inspected ditch on 4/21/2021 and feels there is no reason to go onto private property to clean. Nothing is obstructing water flow on Butternut Ridge Road. NRT should only intervene if flooding occurs on BNR, which at this time it does not. Cobb Ditch is on Echoing Hills Property as well. Trustee Hoyt stated either property owner could apply for storm water funding to help defray cost.

Trustee Hoyt and Kris will attend first viewing of ditch improvements on Albrecht Road on May 17, 2021 per Lorain County Commissioners notification.

Motion to Enter into Executive Session

Motion was made by Jack Hoyt to enter into Executive Session at 8:12 pm for legal discussion with no business to follow, seconded by Andrew Gulish. RCV: Jack Hoyt—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye; Patricia Brubaker—aye. **MOTION CARRIED** **2021-05-04**

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Motion to Adjourn Executive Session

Motion was made by Patricia Brubaker to adjourn Executive Session at 8:55 pm, seconded by Jack Hoyt. RCV: Patricia Brubaker—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye.

MOTION CARRIED **2021-05-05**

Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Patricia Brubaker to adjourn meeting at 8:55 pm, seconded by Jack Hoyt. RCV: Patricia Brubaker—aye; Jack Hoyt—aye; Andrew Gulish—aye.

MOTION CARRIED **2021-05-06**

AFFIRMED by Andrew Gulish at May 18, 2021 Regular Meeting

ATTESTED by Lisa Akers at May 18, 2021 Regular Meeting