

**SWANTON TOWNSHIP**

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

**MINUTES OF: REGULAR MEETING**

**HELD: FEBRUARY 28, 2023**

Chairperson Jeff Michael called the February 28<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of the Swanton Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call:

Trustee Jeff Michael	- Present
Trustee Kyle McPherson	- Present
Trustee April Grajczyk	- Present
Fiscal Officer Peggy Michael	- Present

Visitors Present: 3

**Business of the Fiscal Officer**

Discussion regarding the windows in the Township Hall. The current windows are over 20 years old and were a very cheap window when they were put in. They were purchased and install by a company that was a friend of one of the Trustees at the time and the company is no longer in business. Many of the windows are leaking, cracking, and cannot be opened. Quotes were received from Toledo Door and Window and Window World. There were questions regarding the history and quality of Window World such as them closing and opening the company under a new name. The Elected Officials decided to approve the quote for the best price and quality.

**Motion** by Kyle McPherson to approve Purchase Order 17-2023 to Toledo Door and Window for \$33,452.00 to replace the windows in the Township Hall. Seconded by April Grajczyk. Roll Call: Kyle McPherson, yes; April Grajczyk; Jeff Michael, yes. Motion Carried.

**Resolution 16-2023.**

**Motion** by Kyle McPherson to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2023 Regular Meeting and February 14, 2023 and February 20, 2023 Special Meetings. Seconded by April Grajczyk. Roll Call: Kyle McPherson, yes; April Grajczyk; Jeff Michael, yes. Motion Carried.

**Resolution 17-2023.**

**Motion** by Kyle McPherson to pay Warrant Numbers 7085 through 7091 and 7111 through 7121, Withholding Voucher 9-2023 through 11-2023, and sign the payment report. Seconded by April Grajczyk. Roll Call: Kyle McPherson, yes; April Grajczyk; Jeff Michael, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 18-2023.**

Fiscal Officer Peggy Michael entered the correspondence into the Record.

**Zoning Report**

1. Trustee Kyle McPherson gave the Zoning report.

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**Roads Report**

1. Trustee Jeff Michael gave the roads report.

**Cemetery Report**

1. Trustee Kyle McPherson gave the Cemetery report.

**Old Business**

1. 911 Consolidation Appeal

Trustee Jeff Michael will appeal the current and past Consolidation Billing Percentages, Proportional Shares, and Jurisdictional Billings. There are hundreds of calls that are not in our jurisdiction, such as the City of Toledo, Port Authority, Village of Swanton, other Townships, and Fulton County. We will also dispute calls that are on border roads and intersection as to how they were billed to Swanton Township. This appeal must be submitted to the Lucas County 911 Regional Council of Governments Board of Directors prior to March 15, 2023.

In addition, there was discussion regarding the Lucas County Commissioners transferring the County run Advanced Life Support Squads to the jurisdictions currently hosting those squads. Currently the County funds the personnel, training, supplies, squad maintenance, squad replacement, and all other costs but once they transfer the squads to the jurisdictions, those jurisdictions will be responsible for those costs. This will impact our current Fire and Rescue contracts as these costs are passed down through those contracts, this may significantly impact the costs incurred by Swanton Township.

Lucas County continues to push down costs to the Townships for 911 calls, law enforcement, potential costs for the Advanced Life Support squads, and economic development. These are new significant costs that are not sustainable for Swanton Township and may require a levy to cover these new costs. It is anticipated that additional costs will be pushed down to jurisdictions in an attempt to put a one centralized County government in place to replace the current local governments, this was formally called UniGov.

**New Business**

1. Appointment to Zoning Commission

A letter of interest was received from Michael Tye for the Zoning Commission. Current Zoning Commission member Marc Hawkins will move to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

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**Motion** by Jeff Michael to change the appointment for Marc Hawkins from the Zoning Commission to the unfilled Board of Zoning Appeals term expiring June 3, 2027. Seconded by Kyle McPherson. Roll Call: Jeff Michael, yes; Kyle McPherson, yes; April Grajczyk, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 19-2023.**

**Motion** by Jeff Michael to appoint Michael Tye to the Zoning Commission term expiring April 10, 2024. Seconded by Kyle McPherson. Roll Call: Jeff Michael, yes; Kyle McPherson, yes; April Grajczyk, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 20-2023.**

**Executive Session - None**

**Motion** by Kyle McPherson to adjourn at 8:09 PM. Seconded by April Grajczyk. Roll Call: Kyle McPherson, yes; April Grajczyk; Jeff Michael, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 21-2023.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Peggy Michael, Fiscal Officer

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Trustee