SWANTON TOWNSHIP

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF: REGULAR MEETING

HELD: FEBRUARY 13, 2024

Chairman Jeff Michael called the February 13th Regular Meeting of the Swanton Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call:

Trustee Jeff Michael - Present
Trustee Mike Nowicki - Present
Trustee Kyle McPherson - Present
Fiscal Officer Peggy Michael - Present

Visitors Present:

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Business of the Fiscal Officer

Motion by Kyle McPherson to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2024 Regular Meeting and February 5, 2024 Special Meeting. Seconded by Mike Nowicki. Roll Call: Kyle McPherson, yes; Mike Nowicki, yes; Jeff Michael, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 28-2024.**

Motion by Kyle McPherson to pay Warrant Numbers 7553, 7556, 7557, and 7559 through 7573 and sign the payment report. Seconded by Mike Nowicki. Roll Call: Kyle McPherson, yes; Mike Nowicki, yes; Jeff Michael, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 29-2024.**

Fiscal Officer Peggy Michael reported that the February bank statement has been reconciled and signed by the Trustees.

Fiscal Officer Peggy Michael entered the correspondence into the Record.

Zoning Report

1. Trustee Mike Nowicki gave the Zoning report.

Roads Report

1. Trustee Jeff Michael gave the Roads report.

Cemetery Report

1. Trustee Kyle McPherson gave the Cemetery report.

Old Business - None

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New Business

1. MetroParks Logging and Road Use and Maintenance Agreement

Trustee Jeff Michael and Fiscal Officer Peggy Michael met with the MetroParks management and their attorney to discuss the logging truck use and the destruction of the Township roads. According to Sheriff Navarre the Ohio State Highway Patrol said these logging trucks can weigh up to 150 tons. The weight limit on state highways is 80 tons, these trucks will substantially damage the Township roads. Neither the Lucas County Engineer nor the Lucas County Sheriff would do anything to help the Township in protecting the safety of the residents using the roads and to protect the roads from damage. The MetroParks were logging in the middle of the night with huge trucks parked on the road and equipment in the road right of way in the darkness. The Township was extremely concerned with the danger this made for the residents travelling the roads, taking their kids to school, and running daily errands. We told them the Township wanted a long-term Road Maintenance Agreement to repair the long-term damage these logging operations do to the Township roads. The MetroParks and their attorney said they will take our concerns and issues back to management.

Motion by Mike Nowicki to adjourn at 9:10 PM. Seconded by Kyle McPherson. Roll Call: Mike Nowicki, yes; Kyle McPherson, yes; Jeff Michael, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 30-2024.**

Signed.

Peggy Michael, Fiscal Officer

Signed:

Trastee