

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Vermilion Township Board of Trustees' Regular Meeting

Held Wednesday December 21st, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Carl Hill.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Carl Hill & Mr. Rodger Scott were present. Mr. Ron Dickel was absent.

Hill made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 7th, 2022 Trustee's Meeting. Scott seconded the motion. Hill & Scott voted to accept the motion. **20221221-01**

Scott made a motion to approve the treasury reports. Hill seconded the motion. Hill & Scott voted to accept the motion. **20221221-02**

Sixty bills/warrants totaling \$35,795.56 were submitted for payment (see attached). Hill made a motion to approve the warrants. Scott seconded the motion. Hill & Scott voted to accept the motion. **20221221-03**

Vermilion Township Fiscal Officer Stephanie Johnson stated the 2023 Temporary Appropriations needed to be approved and sent to the Erie County Auditor by December 31st, 2022, so business can continue on January 1st, 2023. Johnson listed the following appropriations:

<i>Fund:</i>	
General	\$600,000.00
Road & Bridge	\$700,000.00
Fire District	\$600,000.00
Motor Vehicle License Tax	\$100,000.00
Gas Tax	\$300,000.00
Permissive MVL Tax	\$24,000.00
ARPA	\$174,227.61
Misc. Capital Projects	\$123,372.10
Total	\$2,621,599.71

Hill made a motion to approve the 2023 Temporary Appropriations. Scott seconded the motion. Hill & Scott voted to accept the motion. **20221221-04**

Scott made a motion to hold the Township Organizational Meeting on Wednesday, January 4th, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. followed by the regular meeting. Hill seconded the motion. Hill & Scott voted to accept the motion. **20221221-05**

Hill made a motion to approve the Appropriation Supplemental changes from 11/30/2022 through 12/16/2022. Scott seconded the motion. Hill & Scott voted to accept the motion. **20221221-06**

Scott listed some of the township's accomplishments for 2022: Appointing a new fiscal officer, retaining the zoning secretary, turning the Building Department over to the City of Vermilion (at a great cost savings to the township), hiring a new zoning inspector, hiring cleaning staff, township offices painted (last time was 2005), much needed new computers for the office staff, new truck for the township road crew, tar & chip seal many township roads, new reflective road striping on these same roads, new bridge & culvert on Ashmont Road and new salt shed.

Vermilion Township Zoning Inspector Pete Fisher reported there is a possibility of a medical facility being built on Holiday Drive.

With not as much township business during winter months, Scott made a motion to hold the trustees' regular meeting on ONLY the 1st Wednesday of the month, for the months of January, February & March 2023. First & third Wednesday meetings will resume in April 2023. All meetings will continue to start at 7:30pm. Hill seconded the motion. Hill & Scott voted to accept the motion. **20221221-07**

Scott reminded residents that with the impending bad weather over the Christmas weekend to please keep animals inside & check on your neighbors.

Hill made a motion to change the five road signs on Wine Street & Chardonnay Street from "No Parking Nov-March" to "Emergency Snow Street – No Parking When Snow Exceeds 2 Inches". The township already has the signs, so no new ones will need to be ordered. Signs scheduled to be changed Thursday December 22nd, 2022. Scott seconded the motion. Hill & Scott voted to approve the motion. **22021221-08**

Due to no part-time snow-plow help. Scott made a motion to discuss limiting vacation time taken by the road crew during January & February 2023. Hill seconded the motion. The motion was tabled.

The township recognized resident Brad Schwab for all his work leading Operation Christmas Joy, which donates food & toys to families in Vermilion Township & the City of Vermilion. The township nominated Schwab as "Resident of the Year". Schwab gave a recap on this year's Operation Christmas Joy & thanked Trustee Scott for his help packing & delivering 13,000 pounds of food in 720 bags. 155 Adults & 160 children were recipients.

Hill opened up the floor to residents.

Vermilion Township Fire Chief Frank Triana reported the Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant was denied. As of this meeting the Fire & EMS Department has responded to 650 calls & that is expected to total around 690 by years end. The 2023 County Dispatching Services contract is ready for renewal. The Sheriff typically sets the price, however this year it was set by the Erie County Commissioners and is \$19,000.00. Triana & the trustees will review the contract by the next Trustees' Regular Meeting.

Hill made a motion to adjourn. Scott seconded the motion. Hill & Scott voted to accept the motion.