

VERMILION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Record of Proceedings Minutes to Regular Meeting Held 6/2/21

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Ronald L. Dickel.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Ronald L. Dickel, Trustee; Carl E. Hill, Trustee; Charles T. Trinter, Trustee; Brenda J. Zsebik, Fiscal Officer; Robert Baker, Building Official/Zoning Inspector; Frank R. Triana, Vermilion Township Fire Chief; Tina L. Karres, Township Secretary.

MOTION BY C. Trinter, second by C. Hill to approve minutes to regular meeting held 5/19/21 and dispense with the reading of the minutes. Roll Call – C. Hill, yes; R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; Motion Carried.

MOTION BY C. Hill, second by C. Trinter to accept the Treasurer's Report and Financial Packet dated 6/2/21. Roll Call – C. Hill, yes; R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; Motion Carried.

MOTION BY C. Trinter, second by R. Dickel to approve and pay warrants 25243 through 25255 and payment vouchers 253-2021, 254-2021, 255-2021, 256-2021, 257-2021, 258-2021, 259-2021, 260-2021, 261-2021, 262-2021, 263-2021, 264-2021, 265-2021, 266-2021, 267-2021, 268-2021, 269-2021, 270-2021, 272-2021, 273-2021, 274-2021, 275-2021, 276-2021, 278-2021, 279-2021, 280-2021. Warrants and payment vouchers totaled \$31,022.95. Roll Call – C. Hill, yes; R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; Motion Carried.

OPENING OF BID PACKETS: ASHMONT ROAD CULVERT V-312 REPLACEMENT PROJECT
Chairman, Ronald L. Dickel, read the bids as follows:

1. Denes Concrete Inc.	47599 State Route 18, Wellington, OH 44090	\$117,010.90
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MOTION BY R. Dickel, second by C. Trinter accepting the bid as read for the Ashmont Road Culvert V-312 Replacement Project in Vermilion Township, Erie County, Ohio and authorizing the Erie County Engineer's Office to verify that the bid packet is complete.

Roll Call – C. Hill, yes; R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 36-21

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Mr. Novotny stated Trustee Hill said in the last meeting that the lights from the cars, when they go through the drive thru, shine on the resident's next to it. Mr. Novotny asked how the lights shine on the resident next to his business when the drive-thru closes at 7:00 p.m. and the sun sets at 8:30. Trustee Hill answered that he was assuming when you're going through the drive-thru with the light that's what they would be complaining about. He didn't know since he is not down there at night but thought that's why they wanted the blockade. Mr. Novotny explained that it doesn't happen so he didn't understand why there would even be a statement made. Trustee Hill said it was not him it was from the Board of Zoning Appeals, the ones who wanted the fence up. Mr. Novotny again stated how the lights would be shining on the resident's next to it when they don't. Trustee Hill stated if the business was closed at dark, they wouldn't shine on neighbors. Trustee Hill assumed that's why they wanted the barrier fence because usually they don't want the lights shining on the residents' homes,

but he told Mr. Novotny he would have to talk to a BZA Board member since he was not on that Board. Mr. Novotny ended with, "I guess don't say they shine on them when they don't". Trustee Hill said, "Case in point taken". Mr. Novotny added it was said in the paper and that was not making him look good saying that something is happening that's not. Trustee Dickel stated he did not say that. Trustee Hill apologized.

Resident Kenn Baughman also addressed that what was read in the paper was pure fiction, and being a writer of fiction books, one knows it when one sees it and it was disturbing. A lot of the neighbors in the neighborhood don't have any problems with Brian Novotny's store. Mr. Baughman's second concern was the reflectors alongside of Haber Road in the road right of way leaving no where to go if a pedestrian is trying to move over for a vehicle. Mr. Baughman recommended the reflectors be moved back out of the road right of way since he believes they cause a clear and present danger. They will be inspected.

Risden Road resident was having a problem with his neighbor operating a sawmill commercial business which was creating a lot of noise in a residential area. Mr. Baker, Building Official/Zoning Inspector established the address as being 7715 Risden Road. Various Risden Road residents complained the sawmill/dryer kiln was creating excessive noise and excessive traffic along with interfering with their peace and quiet. He was also operating forklifts and semi-trucks. Mr. Baker assured the residents he would conduct an inspection the next day and if there was any evidence of the violations, he would follow the zoning procedures and issue a cease-and-desist order if necessary. Another resident asked about the process that would be followed to handle the situation. Mr. Baker discussed the procedure and how feedback would be given to all concerned residents.

SPEAKERS:

None present.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Email received from Shari Greene, RN Chief Health Planning Officer, Erie County Community Health Center in Sandusky regarding Public Health Outreach Clinics. The Erie County Health Department paused the Public Health Outreach Clinics during the past year as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and employed mitigation measures to prevent the spread of Covid-19 and keep our communities safe. Additionally, they worked with the Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) to request and receive approval to develop and operate a Federally Qualified Health Center site as a School Based Health Center located in Vermilion High School. They opened the Health Center in March 2021 to service students and staff of Vermilion Schools with a plan to extend accessibility to the Health Center and its services to the community in the future. This Health Center provides enhanced and increased services compared to the Public Health Outreach Clinic and the plan is to open the School Based Health Center to the community in the very near future. They will be sharing information as their work progresses.

BUILDING OFFICIAL/ZONING INSPECTOR:

Building Official/Zoning Inspector, Robert Baker, reported for May the Zoning Department issued 13 zoning permits (\$1085.10) and 1 BZA applications (\$300.00) with a total fee collection of \$1,385.10; the Building Department issued 20 permits with a total fee collection of \$3,690.00 and total valuation of work being done at \$900,966.57.

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VERMILION TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief F. Triana's report: Fire Runs between 5/1/21 – 5/31/21. EMS – 58; CO/Smoke alarm activation – 1; Public assist – 1; MVC – 6 (2 w/injury); Odd Odor in residence – 1; Tree – Wires down – 1; YTD: 313 Runs.

The bottom panel on Bay door seven (#7) has been replaced. Also, two photo eyes are on order for Bay door three (#3).

Protegis has been on station and completed annual inspection of fire extinguishers for the buildings and apparatus.

July 18, 2021, the Firefighters Association will have a car wash fund raiser on station from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Donations will be greatly appreciated.

NORTHERN OHIO RURAL WATER REPRESENTATIVE:

None present.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Hill reported he contacted Ed from Classical Construction regarding water that is draining between building and gutters at the old township maintenance garage. Ed will follow-up and put an extension on roof to match the gutters.

Trustee Hill asked if there were any bids on the leaf machine. There were no bids received at the current time.

Trustee Dickel reported letter was received from ODOT notifying Vermilion Township that the liquid asphalt was awarded to Strawser Construction, Inc.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fire Chief Triana asked about the security changes and who the new contact person would be to receive notifications from Safe Harbor. The Board will follow-up.

Township Secretary read resignation letter dated May 23, 2021, from Lynn Chapin, BZA Chairperson as she is retiring, after 32 years of county service, from the Board of Zoning Appeals. Her resignation is effective immediately and her term ends on December 31, 2021.

MOTION BY C. Trinter, second by R. Dickel authorizing to accept the resignation of Ms. Lynn Chapin as member of the Vermilion Township Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA). Trustee Dickel, on behalf of the Board, would like to thank Ms. Chapin for her services on this Board. Mr. Robert Baker announced Mr. Frank Cottos was appointed as Chairperson and Mr. Mike Verbiar is Vice-Chairperson as he will be moved up from an alternate. Roll Call – C. Hill, yes; R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; Motion Carried.

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Trustee Dickel announced the Erie County Township Association (ECTA) annual summer dinner will be held on June 10, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at Berlin Township.

MOTION BY: R. Dickel, second by C. Trinter to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:05 p.m. with no further business to discuss. Roll Call – C. Hill, yes; R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; Motion Carried.

Ronald L. Dickel

Trustee

Carl Hill

Trustee

Charles T. Trinter

Trustee

Vina J. Karres

Township Secretary