

RUSHCREEK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
July 3, 2024

Chad Ashbaugh, Chairman called the Rushcreek Township Trustee Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge to American Flag

Roll Call of the Board: Chad: Present Rick: Present Jim: Present

Lisa (fiscal): Present Will (fire): Present Richard (roads): Present

Chad asked that all cell phones be muted except for the Chief's.

REGIONAL PLANNING REPORT

Charlie Hockman provided the attached notes from the Regional Planning meeting. Charlie expressed some concern regarding the consistency of considering planned unit developments. In addition to his minutes, Charlie advised the County Commissioners did pass a resolution not allowing Solar Farms(not already in progress) greater than 50 megawatts. Current ones in process will go before the Ohio Power Siting Board.

VISITORS

Caroline and Eddie McCandlish – Question when chip seal would take place. Question who did the measuring near their driveway to determine where the road stopped. Trustee Ashbaugh indicated the County Engineer's office representative. Question regarding the status of the Road. When was it permanently closed, is it abandoned, could it be vacated to prevent the road from being reopened in the future. Richard Campbell, Road Supervisor provided documentation when the Road was permanently closed. 1/1/2000. Copy provided to Mr. and Mrs. McCandlish. They asked what would be the process to vacate the road. Trustee Ashbaugh, Road Supervisor responded the County Engineer would determine if the road could or would be vacated. They indicated that Mr. and Mrs. McCandlish could contact to Engineer to make the request. They asked if the Township would contact the County as well. Trustee Ashbaugh advised this would not take place during the week with the Holiday and Road Department vacations.

MINUTES

The Minutes from the June 19, 2024 regular meeting have been distributed for review prior to the meeting, and are being presented for approval. Motion to accept: Trustee Downard Second: Trustee Moyer

Roll Call: Chad: Aye Rick: Aye Jim: Aye

Chad reminded everyone that the minutes are available upon request at the Fiscal Officer's office and the website.

FINANCIAL SECTION

Warrants # 43591 through 43596 and EFT's 288-2024 through 311-2024 in the amount of \$35,987.59
June Bank Reconciliation

Purchase Orders 16-2024 and 17-2024 for Mount Carmel Stabilization and 20/20 Enterprises in the amount of \$295,000.00

Fund Balance adjustment to fund 2181 (zoning) to reissue 2023 check to Josh Schultz in the amount of \$15.00. Motion to approve and pay : Trustee Moyer Second: Trustee Downard

Roll Call: Chad: Aye Rick: Aye Jim: Aye

Fiscal Office

County Budget is not requesting expenditures at this time, appears to be anticipated revenues and unencumbered balances on Excel Spreadsheet. Due by July 17th.

Received 112.50 from County Auditor with no back up information. Sent email requesting backup Sent a Hold Harmless Agreement to Mount Carmel Stabilization for signature. Provided them with phone #'s and email's for Trustees' and Road Department.

Auditor of State is requiring mandatory FRAUD detection and training for all elected officials and employee. Auditor will provide material and training to be complete by September 28, 2024. In addition, any newly elected official or newly hired employee will have 30 days from date of hire to complete the training.

Fire

Driver training – 3 personnel attended along with 2 trucks. Noticed a park brake issue with one of the trucks while at the class.

Anticipate 2 trucks in the 4th of July Parade for the Village.

EMS	14	RUNS	TRANSPORTS	5
FIRE	4			
MVA	0			
MUTUAL AID	5	GIVEN	1	RECEIVED

	given	received
Berne Township	0	<u>0</u>
Junction City	1	<u>0</u>
Marion	1	<u>0</u>
Lancaster	1	<u>0</u>
Pleasant	0	<u>1</u>
Richland	1	<u>0</u>
Misc. (Somerset, Hopewell, Straitsville, New Lex	1	<u>0</u>

Zoning

6/21 Mr. Dufort called regarding HAH zoning and Rushcreek Zoning questions

6/21 Trustee Moyer confirmed house trailer has been demolished on Geneva School but debris still needs to be removed. Left message for Chapmans' that we can proceed with permit are the building plans as well as a drawing with setbacks and where well and septic are located on the property.

6/21 Dean permit issued once letter received stating no one will reside in the original dwelling. Received copies of health department inspection.

6/21 OUPS ticket letter sent to 1895 Bethel road regarding pool installation

6/21 Scott on Geneva Scholl inquired about adding cabins on their property. Responded to email that they still must comply with one dwelling; road frontage and acreage needs. Advised they could split lot or apply for a variance.

6/21 approved Graffis Road lot split. Acreage was increased to 1.5

6/24 OUPS ticket received for installation of fence, letter sent 3870 Logan Thornville Road

6/25 Permit application received and issued for new construction 8218 Pleasant View Road

Road Department

Received ROW permit request and check from Mahlon Coblentz for McCullough Road as a result of letter sent. Discussion with Caroline McCandlish regarding ROW.

Tent Church Road open, bridge work complete by the County

Road Mowing will be complete next week

Removed a tree from Avalon Road

Date for HEYD Road reclamation, post on website. Anticipate meeting with Mt. Carmel Group on Monday or Tuesday, July 8/9. Requested in addition to posting on the Road and Website that we send residents a letter with dates and purpose of closure. Trustee Downard will check in with Mount Carmel as they would like to start work as soon as possible. Trustee Ashbaugh and Road Supervisor Richard Campbell will meet at the site with representative(s) from Mount Carmel to discuss project specifics.

Administration

Rushcreek Feed agreement- no update received from PA office

Cemetery zoning language- no update received from PA office. Trustee Downard indicated he will touch base with their office prior to the next meeting for any updates.

Letter for Trails End Right of way issue regarding fence and logs was approved and sent. No response has been received as of the meeting.

Further Business:


Trustee Downard through discussion with Dave Foltz (zoning commission) and Lisa Burnworth (fiscal office) determined the process was complete for Short Term Rental language. However, it looks like those updates may not have been made to the published text of the Zoning Resolution. Lisa agreed to review the text and make any necessary updates and provide them for Zoning and website.

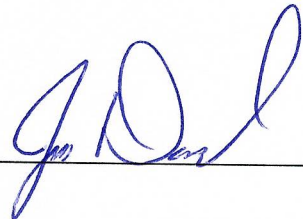
Trustee Ashbaugh hearing no further business

Motion to Adjourn: Trustee Ashbaugh

Adjournment time: 7:39 p.m.







RPC Meeting Notes of 7-2-24 for TWP Meeting 7-3-24

by Charles Hockman

The RPC meeting was 6:00 at 138 W Chestnut St.

The first item discussed was a request to rezone a 5.97 acre lot in Walnut Twp from RR to a P.U.D. (Planned Unit Development District). The staff recommended disapproval due to lack of water and sewer utilities capabilities for that area, 13610 Shell Beach Road, Thornville Ohio. The vote of RPC was unanimous to recommend disapproval.

The second item to be discussed was also a proposed change from RR to a P.U.D, also in Walnut Twp at 570 Baltimore Somerset Rd (256) Baltimore Ohio. The lot is 70.76 acres and the developer proposed 172 lots most of which are 55' x 130'.

Soil and Water District had 2 questions or comments. The area has hydric soils.

There appears to be confusion over water and sewer as both Thornville and Baltimore are interested and debating. It appears ODOT needs to do a traffic Impact Study. Neighbors and others expressed concerns over storm water. That area currently has a water problem after heavy rains. Retention ponds are designed to slow water drainage. Evaporation is not the primary means to discharge accumulated water. My questions on the storm water was answered by saying Soil and Water would look at this later and possibly restrict the number of units.

Due to the extreme high density (my opinion) and lack of preparedness on the part of the applicant, another member and myself voted "No."

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Why the Executive Committee decided to approve this, in spite of the drainage problems, and rejected the other applicant at Shell Beach Road for water issues I cannot answer.


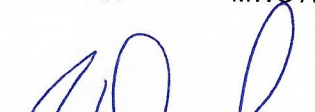
It did not come out at the meeting but the Eagle Gazette reported 5-21-24 the County Commissioners passed a resolution restricting solar farms greater than 150 MW in unincorporated areas of the county. There are a couple already in the "pipe line" which cannot be stopped at the county level.

It was reported after the meeting a new regional planner, just out of school and from Fairfield County, was hired.

Payment Listing
7/4/2024 to 7/18/2024

Payment Advice #	Post Date	Transaction Date	Type	Vendor / Payee	Amount	Status
312-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	CHAD M ASHBAUGH	\$555.83	O
313-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	LISA A BURNWORTH	\$818.03	O
314-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	DAVID G CAMPBELL	\$1,193.69	O
315-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	RICHARD CURTLENN CAMPBELL	\$1,571.31	O
316-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	JAMES S DOWNARD	\$633.38	O
317-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	WILLIAM M. DUVALL	\$952.21	O
318-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	AMBER LEE-ANNE FLINT	\$1,527.55	O
319-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	MATTHEW GRAHAM	\$604.05	O
320-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	ERIKA N HEDGES	\$81.14	O
321-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	JEREMI W HEDGES	\$1,808.05	O
322-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	JORDAN P IRWIN	\$354.81	O
323-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	ANTHONY M. KERR	\$1,545.23	O
324-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	STEVEN PHILLIP KILBARGER	\$1,434.99	O
325-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	RICHARD E MOYER	\$624.32	O
326-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	BRADEN L SHULL	\$1,487.92	O
327-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	RYAN M SMITH	\$1,580.94	O
328-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EP	AMANDA TRUAX	\$184.51	O
330-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EW	DEPT OF TREASURY - IRS	\$3,463.28	O
331-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EW	REGIONAL INCOME TAX AGENCY	\$485.10	O
332-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EW	SCHOOL DISTRICT INCOME TAX	\$746.14	O
333-2024	07/17/2024	07/16/2024	EW	TREASURER OF STATE OF OHIO	\$1,090.28	O
43597	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	BOUND TREE MEDICAL	\$4,503.42	O
43598	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	FAIRFIED CO.ASSN.OF TWP.TRUSTEES &	\$264.00	O
43599	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	\$844.69	O
43600	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	SPECTRUM BUSINESS/CHARTER COMMUI	\$199.98	O
43601	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	SPECTRUM BUSINESS/CHARTER COMMUI	\$79.98	O
43602	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	COLUMBIA GAS COMPANY	\$288.49	O
43603	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	FIRE CATT LLC	\$2,415.00	O
43604	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	VISA	\$869.96	O
43605	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	ALLIED BENEFIT SYSTEMS, INC.	\$6,421.44	O
43606	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	MIDWEST TOWING & RECOVERY LLC	\$677.94	O
43607	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	OFFICE MART, INC.	\$114.84	O
43608	07/17/2024	07/17/2024	AW	MWG ADMINISTRATORS -	\$300.36	O

Total Payments: \$39,722.86
 Total Conversion Vouchers: \$0.00
 Total Less Conversion Vouchers: \$39,722.86


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Type: AM - Accounting Manual Warrant, AW - Accounting Warrant, IM - Investment Manual Warrant, IW - Investment Warrant, PM - Payroll Manual Warrant, PR - Payroll Warrant, RW - Reduction of Receipt Warrant, SW - Skipped Warrant, WH - Withholding Warrant, WM - Withholding Manual, WS - Special Warrant, CH - Electronic Payment Advice, IL - Investment Loss, EP - Payroll EFT Voucher, CV - Payroll Conversion Voucher, SV - Payroll Special Voucher, EW - Withholding Voucher, POS ADJ - Positive Adjustment, NEG ADJ - Negative Adjustment, POS REAL - Positive Reallocation, NEG REAL - Negative Reallocation

We hereby certify that the amount required for the above, was lawfully appropriated for such purpose and outstanding, cleared, or voided for such purpose the credit of the appropriate fund(s) for total any payments are not included in the report for any reference.