



Bethel Township Board of Trustees
January 9, 2023
Workshop Meeting

In attendance:

Trustees: Beth vanHaaren

Julie Reese

Don Black

Staff: Administrator Andy Ehrhart

Fiscal Officer Deborah Watson

Zoning Administrator Mike Arnold

Admin:

1: Sheriff's Office FLOCK cameras

- Would like to install at 202/40 and 201/40.
- Paid for by the Sheriff's Office.

Trustee Reese would like to get Community Input.

Administrator Ehrhart will call Dave Duchak and see if he could attend one of our Regular Meetings to discuss and explain the Benefits.

2: Annexation Attorney

- Update

Administrator Ehrhart reported that he had emailed the Attorney and had not heard back at this time.

3: January 10th Agenda

- Administrator Ehrhart presented the agenda and discussed the Duties of the Trustees.

Trustee Items:

- Meeting Minutes

Trustee Reese stated that we haven't had any minutes to approve in some time.

Fiscal Officer Watson reported she was working on Year End and the Beginning of the new Year and that the minutes were put on hold until she could get that completed.

- Grant Writing

Trustee Reese thought at one time we had talked about hiring a grant writer. It was mentioned that we would attend the OTA conference and then revisit the grant writer.

Administrator Ehrhart said that we did not discuss hiring a Grant Writer for the Township, however we did hire one for the Fire Departments AFG Grant.

- Mileage Certification

Trustee Reese asked what this meeting at the County was about.

Trustee vanHaaren stated that the Trustees go up to the County to certify the Mileage for the Township. Sometimes only one Trustee goes and brings back the paper for the other two to sign. Usually this takes about 30 seconds to do, she is more than welcome to go to it.

- Ditches

Trustee Don Black stated that he had been working on fixing some ditches in the Township, free of cost.

- Abandoned Cars

Trustee Don Black also mentioned there were some abandoned cars within the Township. Administrator Ehrhart responded that the ORC is strict about what a junk car is.

Ongoing Items:

1: Huber Heights Annexation

- Annexation court Ruling

The Writ of Mandamus ordered Miami County to approve the Annexation.

Annexation Attorney

- Future Strategy
- Conforming the Boundaries

Discussion took place on some items the Trustees would like to bargain with.

Administrator Ehrhart will discuss these with the Attorney.

2: New Carlisle Annexation

- Trustee Reese stated she went to the New Carlisle meeting and they had no discussion on this matter.

3: State Route 202 and US Route 40 Property

- Zoning Administrator Mike Arnold will contact the owners and see where they are in the process.

4: GIS Update

- Administrator Ehrhart stated he would dedicate time this month to work on this.

5: Promotional Videos on Facebook/Instagram

- Nothing new at this time.

6: Massage parlor – Zoning Code Wording

- Administrator Ehrhart is waiting on the County Prosecutor's review.

7: Land Use Plan Update

- Meeting on January 18th, 2023. Administrator Ehrhart will let Joe Tuss know.

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Other Discussion Topics

1: Don Spent time with Mike Pitts of Carriage Hill to show him around the Siler property.

2: Zoning case updates provided by Mike.

3: Don asked about a camper on 40