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Union Township Trustees September 7, 2021

The Union Township Trustees met in regular session at 7:00 pm on September 7, 2021. Fiscal Officer Jessica Slater's roll call showed the following trustees: John Slater, Charles Prince, and Randy Weekly present. Paula Greene, Township Administrator, was also present. Trustee Slater lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Guests: Chief Cliff Mason, Refugee Canyon Fire District, Rick Black and George Veno.

Minutes

The minutes from the August 16 meeting had not been reviewed by Mr.Prince. Approving minutes were tabled.

Bills

The clerk certified the money to pay the bills in the treasury or is in the collection process. Mr. Prince motioned to pay the bills. Mr. Weekly seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution 25 - Schedules A and B

The Fiscal Office presented Schedules A and B from the County Budget Commission of the funds available for 2022 for approval. There being no questions or discussions, Mr. Prince moved to accept Resolution 25 – Schedules A and B. Mr. Weekly seconded.

Roll call: Mr. Slater ~ yes; Mr. Prince ~ yes; Mr. Weekly ~yes

Road and Bridge

Chip sealing - The Shelly Company is to begin chip sealing the week of September 20.

Fire/EMS

Fire/Ems run report was submitted.

Water Softener - The water softener system at 6265 needs replacement due to the age of the unit. An estimate to replace and reconnect lines was obtained from B &B Plumbing for a 30,000-grain softener in the amount of \$2,200.00; the unit will be bigger than what is currently in place. After discussion, Mr. Weekly moved to accept the bid from B & B Plumbing in the amount of \$2,200.00. Mr. Prince seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Flooring bids - Chief Mason presented flooring estimates with weather-resistant vinyl plank flooring. Several estimates were obtained, with Rite Rug (Heath) being the lowest at \$9,000. The personnel at the Fire Department will remove the current flooring (high traffic area/kitchen/main entrance/front area) and discard it. Mr. Prince moved to purchase flooring from Rite Rug not to exceed \$9,500. Mr. Weekly seconded motion passed.

Sign – Mr. Prince will be donating a double-sided reflective sign for 6265 Lancaster Road. Three trees will need to be removed before installing the sign to be seen from the road.

Administration

Govdeals – The trucks should be up for sale on Tuesday. There have been issues with loading the photos.

Text Amendment – The National Trail Raceway text amendment. A discussion was held on the proposed amendment.

Williams – Paula was asked to testify at the Board of Elections hearing regarding a protest filed against Randy Williams. During the hearing, Mr. Williams withdrew his petition for township trustee. Mr. Williams is not a legal resident of Union Township. Mr. Williams admitted to still living in his barn, which is against Judge Brandstools' court order. Contempt charges against Mr. Williams will be filed soon.

Trustees

JEDD – Mr. Prince discussed the list of property owners who need to be contacting regarding their participation in the JEDD.

National Trail Raceway – Mr. Slater received a complaint of loud music with explicit language. Paula will contact the owner.

Fiberoptic line – Mr. Prince said a Zayo representative contacted him regarding the installation of fiberoptics along Refugee Road. A discussion was held with George Veno, Zayo Project Manager, regarding the installation process, its scope and permitting. Mr. Slater discussed his concerns about whether Zayo was a PUCO-recognized utility and its failure to get a permit from the Licking County Engineer's Office which lead to a stop work order. Mr. Slater said he has since learned that the project has PUCO-recognized utility status. Mr. Veno said that their company has a Road Use Maintenance Agreement to address the trustees' concerns of damage and repairs (including field tile in right-of-way).Mr. Veno will forward the agreement after the meeting. In addition, drawings of the proposed installation are available for review and will take any trustees' concerns under consideration.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Weekly moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm. Mr. Prince seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Union Township Trustees will be held on September 20, 2021, at 7:00 pm, with a Map Amendment hearing to be held at 6:30 pm.

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