

The regular meeting of Newbury Township Trustees called to order at 7:01 p.m., March 2, 2022, with Bill Skomrock and Greg Trof and Glen Quigley in attendance at the town hall,

Mr. Skomrock opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Fire Department update:

Mr. Fagan reported calls for the month of February 48, so far in March 5 calls, and 107 calls year to date. A question was raised about the frequency of accidents at Butternut Road and State Route 44. Mr. Fagan stated that there had been three accidents at that intersection in the last three years. Since Route 44 is a state highway, the township has no jurisdiction.

The deadline for the construction manager at risk RSVP's is next week the building committee will narrow down to the top three they expect to schedule a special Township meeting for interviews. Decided the date of March 23rd at 6:00 PM for open meeting at fire station for interviews. Greg Trof will advertise that meeting.

Regarding the fire contract additional verbiage was discussed to add requirement for disclosure of quarterly financial statements from the Newbury Volunteer Fire Department Inc. requirements

Mr. Skomrock indicated that he will be attending the Geauga County Auditor's webinar regarding special improvement districts. Fiscal officer will also register for webinar.

Fiscal Officer's Report:

February Bank Reconciliation	
Receipts	535,020.69
Payment	91,744.86
Checking balance	717,319.06
Investment/Star Ohio	1,916,970.74
Total Ending Balance 2/28/22	2,634,289.80

Mr. Trof:

Copier replacement. In process of getting quotes.

Still in need of replacement members for Zoning Commission and BZA. Need one full member and two alternates. Mr. Quigley offered to place advertisement with a deadline of March 31 for replies.

Park Update:

Oberland Park. Mr. Trof reported back regarding well and septic costs for a permanent restroom facility. Estimate of \$15,000 to \$17,000 for a well. Mr. Quigley indicated that CTX Company would provide a precast waterless restroom facility for \$50,000 to \$60,000 and if water was included the price would go up to \$70,000 to \$90,000 that cost does not include heat, and well and septic costs were not included in that \$70,000 to \$90,000 estimate.

Mr. Lang a Newbury Township resident gave report on information that he researched regarding the flag project the initial project was a 10-foot length black pipe with minimum 12 foot in order to embed into the ground tubing and hardware rolled steel he contacted EZ Pole in Eastlake. Poles are fabricated there and everything in made in America. Fiscal officer requested a resolution to appropriate funds in the park fund for poles and flags for Veterans Park.

Resolution 20220302 – 01

Motion by Bill Skomrock, seconded by Greg Trof to appropriate \$5,755.25 in the Misc. Capital Project Fund.

Voice vote: three ayes.

Mr. Quigley spoke about the NOPEC grant he suggested that the NOPEC grant be used to offset the cost of the new generator that will be required at the fire station. The current generator will need to be upgraded due to the additional square footage when the new addition is completed.

Gauga Trumbull Solid Waste District still has grants available. Mr. Quigley suggested possibly bleachers for Oberland Park that would use recycled materials.

He also spoke with CEI regarding a pole at Oberland Park and indicated Ohio Department of natural resources application. He will see about possible donation of plants from Bremec nursery in Chesterland. Geauga Park District will possibly improve trails at Oberland Park.

Resolutions for the application for the Ohio Department of natural resources

Resolution 20220302 - 02 motion by Mr. Skomrock, seconded by Mr. Trof.

Voice vote: Three ayes r

Resolution 20220302 - 03 application for NOPEC Energized Community grant Mr. Skomrock made motion, Mr. Trops seconded the motion
Voice vote was three ayes.

Mr. Skomrock gave the sheriff's report there were 156 calls to the Sheriff's Department for the month of February that is down from regular calls

Other business: Mr. Skomrock wanted to hire Jim Duber as a consultant to go through the intermediate building and give the trustees information regarding what it would take to bring that building up to code and usable for renters and public use.

Motion by Mr. Skomrock to open a purchase order and appropriate funds not to exceed \$3000, seconded by Mr. Quigley

Voice vote: Two ayes, Trustee Trops voted no. Motion carried.

Mr. Skomrock has communicated with Carol Holtz with the Arts Council indicating her interest in renting a portion of the intermediate building they are looking for home base.

Mr. Skomrock spoke with Heidi Fought from the Ohio Township Association. She provided a Ohio Revised Code that relates to the purchase and acquisition of real estate. Mr. Skomrock stated that he is not an attorney and he is requesting a legal opinion. He would like to hire outside counsel.

During the Tri-board meeting there was a request to replace Mr. Quigley as the liaison for the Zoning Commission Board. Zoning Commission would like someone to attend meetings regularly. After discussion Mr. Skomrock moved to appoint Mr. Trops. Mr. Trops seconded that motion.

Voice vote: Two ayes. Mr. Quigley voted no.

Warrants approved by signing prior to or at this Meeting:

61-2022	2/23/22	\$215.00	Ohio Public Employees Deferred Comp.
62-2022	2/28/22	\$25.00	Middlefield Banking Company
63-2022	2/25/22	\$21.93	Medical Mutual Of Ohio
65-2022	3/4/22	\$416.86	John Boksansky
66-2022	3/4/22	\$981.48	Joseph Colini
67-2022	3/4/22	\$1,318.17	Randal O. Hollis
68-2022	3/4/22	\$250.38	Randal R. Hollis
69-2022	3/4/22	\$1,407.48	Timothy A. Mansfield
70-2022	3/4/22	\$1,023.48	Glen E. Quigley
71-2022	3/4/22	\$805.41	William J. Skomrock Jr.
72-2022	3/4/22	\$1,490.32	Beverly A Sustar
73-2022	3/4/22	\$803.44	Gregory J. Trops
74-2022	3/4/22	\$1,738.72	Douglas J. Zimperman
77-2022	3/2/22	\$7,153.11	Ohio Public Employees Retirement
78-2022	3/4/22	\$6,807.91	Ohio Public Employees Retirement
79-2022	3/4/22	\$29.97	Medical Mutual Of Ohio
36501	3/4/22	\$896.71	Lorraine Sevich
36502	3/4/22	\$352.30	Ohio Child Support Payment Central
Total Payments		\$25,737.67	

Mr. Trops moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 PM. Mr. Skomrock seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote.

William Skomrock, Jr. - Chairman

Glen Quigley - Vice Chairman

Greg Trops - Trustee

Beverly Sustar – Fiscal Officer