The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Newbury Township was called to order at 7:00 p.m., October 18, 2023 at the Newbury Township town hall. Chairman Bill Skomrock, and Trustee Greg Tropf were in attendance. Trustee Glen Quigley was absent.

Also in attendance:

Ken Fagan Fire Chief Doug Zimperman Road Superintendent Vince Lucarelli resident Tony Lucarelli resident resident Cynthia Hawbrick resident David Lair, Jr. Phil Paradise, Jr. resident Ann Wishart resident/Geauga Maple Leaf Tim Charvat resident Park Board Wayne Mansfield

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

### Fire Department Update:

Fire Station update: Fencing down, dried in. Drywall will start this week.

#### **Road Department Update:**

Mr. Zimperman not in attendance.

Mr. Skomrock spoke with Shane Hajjar in the Geauga County Engineer's office. Shane advised that the township should apply for \$300,000.00 OPWC for Pekin. And apply for a \$50,000 loan to obtain more eligibility points. He can write the additional road with the bid package to obtain a better price. Doug will look at a secondary paving project.

Mr. Zimperman asked if he could order a new truck chassis. Will review budget for 2024 to see what will be available for appropriation.

#### **Fiscal Officer's Report:**

Presented minutes from October 4, 2023 regular meeting Mr. Tropf moved to approve the minutes as presented. Skomrock seconded the motion. Voice vote: Two ayes, one absent.

## Notice of Commencement

Fiscal officer presented Notice of Commencement for Fire Station Construction. This is required by Ohio Revised Code to be recorded. Mr. Skomrock to sign as representative of Board of Trustees. Notary has to acknowledge signature. Fiscal officer will record.

Request hiring a company to clean carpets in offices and meeting room. Mr. Skomrock moved to approve Mr. Tropf seconded. Recommended Puro Clean as they did professional and thorough work on a recent job at the town hall.

Discussed Auditor's letter regarding 30% increase in property values. 30% increase in property values. Auditor's office request that the township reduce a voted levy to offset the increase. Net increase \$83.37 on a \$300,000 home. Can discuss which levy to affect at either meeting in November. Tabled discussion for time being.

## Park Update:

Wild Music Festival. Need to provide their own dumpster, water and provide insurance. They should meet with Park Board for further discussion.

# Mr. Tropf's updates:

Gave information to Geauga Maple Leaf for employment ad for zoning secretary.

He will send information for Cemetery Sexton/Administrative assistant and ad for Road Department.

Back door at town hall has been having trouble. Lockset does not seat correctly into strike plate. Mr. Tropf would like to look into completely replacing back door and door frame. He recommends a unique digital code for each employment. As employees sever employment that unique code could be deleted. Also, could have a short term (1-3 day) temporary pass code that would automatically be deleted, rather than having unknown people still having possession of an unknown number of keys. Mr. Skomrock approved of the idea and asked Mr. tropf to get an estimate of the cost.

## Mr. Skomrock's update:

Sheriff's Report: He hadn't received the report for several months. Forwarded reports summarized.

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## **Ball Fields:**

Mr. Skomrock received a call from Bill Brian. He can't afford to upgrade the former football field. Mr. Skomrock and Mr. Tropf are willing to invest additional funds if they can get a commitment from the soccer group for their future use of the field. Mr. Skomrock will call to further discuss.

# Warrants approved prior to or at this meeting:

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332-2023	10/6/23	\$779.67	Lorraine Sevich
334-2023	10/10/23	\$225.00	Ohio Public Employees Deferred Comp.
335-2023	10/11/23	\$6,872.83	Ohio Public Employees Retirement
336-2023	10/20/23	\$467.62	John Boksansky
337-2023	10/20/23	\$400.08	Timothy H. Hegedus
338-2023	10/20/23	\$1,303.75	Randal O. Hollis
339-2023	10/20/23	\$79.68	Randal R. Hollis
340-2023	10/20/23	\$1,049.90	John H. Mansfield
341-2023	10/20/23	\$1,451.87	Timothy A. Mansfield
342-2023	10/20/23	\$1,176.30	Lorraine Sevich
343-2023	10/20/23	\$1,506.78	Douglas J. Zimperman
346-2023	10/18/23	\$143.53	Medical Mutual Of Ohio
37600	10/6/23	\$14.41	VSP
37601	10/6/23	\$129.84	VSP
37602	10/20/23	\$640.91	Medical Mutual Of Ohio
37603	10/20/23	\$5,974.19	Medical Mutual Of Ohio
37604	10/20/23	\$699.76	1st Ayd Corporation
37605	10/20/23	\$150.00	Cassidy Web Creations
37606	10/20/23	\$1,705.09	Chagrin Oil & Gas Co. Inc.
37607	10/20/23	\$161.00	CCM Rental at Chesterland
37608	10/20/23	\$4,900.37	Cuyahoga Asphalt Materials
37609	10/20/23	\$3,850.00	Robert H. Finke & Sons, Inc.
37610	10/20/23	\$1,130.59	First Energy
37611	10/20/23	\$764.60	First Energy
37612	10/20/23	\$57.95	Geauga County Maple Leaf
37613	10/20/23	\$906.88	Hans' Truck & Trailer Repair, Inc.
37614	10/20/23	\$71.98	Marshall Power Equipment
37615	10/20/23	\$2.50	Newbury Technologies
37616	10/20/23	\$464.94	Star2Star Communications LLC
37617	10/20/23	\$99.99	Spectrum Business
37618	10/20/23	\$11.00	Sunrise Springs Water Co. Inc.
37619	10/20/23	\$1,132.43	The Penn Ohio Corporation
37620	10/20/23	\$68.71	Turney Home and Auto
37621	10/20/23	\$15.48	Waste Management of Ohio Inc.
37622	10/20/23	\$576.00	Zeigler Earthworks, Inc.
37623	10/20/23	\$9.65	VISA
37624	10/20/23	\$350.79	VISA
37625	10/20/23	\$105.00	Burnham & Flower of Ohio, Inc.
37626	10/20/23	\$187.00	Aris Company
37627	10/20/23	\$1,237.01	Cintas Corp.
37628	10/20/23	\$158.63	Ohio CAT
37629	10/20/23	\$356.35	Kimball-Midwest Inc.
37630	10/20/23	\$50.00	Janet Sapp
37631	10/20/23	\$446.54	Joseph S Colini
37632	10/20/23	\$273.23	Lorraine Sevich
37633	10/20/23	\$180.00	Jared Zimperman
TOTAL PAYMEN	NTS	\$42,339.83	

Motion by Mr. Skomrock to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Tropf. Meeting was adjourned at 7.56 by unanimous vote.

William Skomrock, Jr. - Chairman

Glen Quigley - Vice Chairman

Greg Tropf - Trustee

Beverly Sustar – Fiscal Officer