

**Regular Board Meeting for Mills Township**  
**Wednesday, May 11, 2022**

7:00 p.m. Meeting called to order

Stand for the Pledge

**Roll Call Present:** Amy Hoover, Alan Wendt, Kim Sweet, Sara Pitch, Ron Kutchey

**Residents Present:** Roland Brink, Tim Metzger, Teresa & Bill Oliver, Connie & Richard LaFontaine

**Guests:** none

**Agenda Approval:** Pitch made a motion to accept the agenda with the addition in New Business C. Dike, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.

**Minutes:** Pitch made a motion to accept the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from April 13, 2022 as written supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.

**Public Comments:** Short house has been purchased, demolition to begin as soon as possible

**Supervisor's Report:** A. Kutchey gave report on complaint investigations, B. Motion made by Wendt to purchase 4 dog leash signs for the park for a cost not to exceed \$200, supported by Pitch Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried. C. Consumers are pruning Baker/Jefferson D. We have a new rep/account manager for Republic Waste: Kevin Kendall E. Motion made by Sweet to have expenses and per diems paid for any board members wanting to attend the MCTOA meeting June 2<sup>nd</sup>, supported by Pitch Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.

**Treasurers Report:** Balances as of May 1, 2022

- A. General Fund Checking-\$80,896.87
  - B. General Fund Savings - \$453,087.79
  - C. Roads -\$53,707.84
  - D. Fire Fund Checking \$96,185.60
  - E. Fire Fund Savings-\$467,489.33
  - F. Solid Waste Checking-\$ 20,702.84
  - G. Solid Waste Savings - \$51,435.89
  - H. Current Tax- \$95.23
  - I. Water Account- \$173,640.82
- Water accounts were combined into one account  
Treasurer's report accepted

**Clerks Report:** Presentation of Claims:

- A. General Fund- Check #14350-14374 - Total \$14,931.82
  - B. Fire Fund- Check #7438-7451 - Total \$8,587.67
  - C. Solid Waste- Check #1606 - Total \$11,405.52
  - D. Water Account – USDA payment \$98,262.50
- Republic Waste has increased their fuel fees from \$52.08 to \$416.64 this month  
Motion made by Pitch to accept the report and pay the claims as stated, supported by Kutchey  
Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.

**Committee Reports:**

- A. **Planning Report:** Next meeting May 19, 2022 Public hearing for the new ordinances was held, and the planning board recommends the new ordinances be adopted.
  - \*Motion made by Kutchey to adopt the ordinance to amend ordinance #82 Article 10.19 Animal Restrictions, supported by Wendt Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.
  - \*Motion made by Kutchey to adopt the ordinance to amend ordinance #82 Article 10.20 Recreational Vehicle Use, supported by Wendt Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.
  - \*Motion made by Kutchey to adopt the ordinance to amend ordinance #82 Article 10.21 Marihuana Growth, supported by Wendt Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.
- B. **Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA):** No meeting

**C. Fire Dept. Report:** Chief Metzger gave his report

52 total responses for 2022, 14 since last meeting with 2 mutual aid calls since last meeting

Dept. Activities:

1. Dow Foundation: Grant has been approved for the full amount, should receive money in August
2. New truck design details continue to move forward
3. Truck update: Cab is in South Dakota
4. Firehouse Sub Grant still waiting for announcement
5. Committee formed to start research on Fire/Rescue ATV
6. 6 firefighters attended FDIC in Indianapolis
7. Fath Memorial
8. Will check into DNR's matching grant and Polaris Grant
9. Station spring cleaning is beginning
10. ISO evaluation will start in June
11. Received our tree stand rescue pack and training is complete
12. Required Fire Marshall PFA's training complete

Department Requests

1. To apply for the grants from DNR and Polaris, Pitch made a motion to grant the request, supported by Sweet Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried

**D. Code Authority:** Steady, office is open Monday-Thursday Next meeting May 26<sup>th</sup> 5 p.m. County Bldg.

**E. Assessors Report:** Updating combination land split application

**F. Water Report:** Motion by Kutchey to approve an additional \$150 to Water120 for annual water testing of the 2 building that were over last year, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried Need more names to be added to the master testing list.

**Old Business:**

**A. Johnson update:** Court date May 2, 2022 was canceled, no updated court date at this time

**B. Audio Alarm:** Met with Audio Central alarm, to add a camera at the park will need a new box, will have quote for June meeting

**New Business:**

**A. F65 Audit:** Motion made by Pitch to approve Weinlander Fitzhugh to conduct our F65 annual audit, supported by Sweet Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried

**B. Boy Scouts use of Park:** Motion made by Wendt to allow the boy scouts to use the park for a weekend campout in June, supported by Pitch Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried

**C. Dike Road:** Motion made by Wendt to allow the road commission to grade the Dike road to either be paid by the DNR or the township (depending on whose year it is), supported by Pitch

**Board Comments:**

**Wendt:** Road Commission will be replacing the tubes on Bombay Road from Sturgeon to Stark and will be resurfacing the road at no cost to the Township.

**Public Comments:** No comment

**Adjournment:** Kutchey moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m., supported by Pitch Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.