

**Regular Board Meeting for Mills Township
Wednesday, June 8, 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, Jay & Angela St. John, Jean Pitch

Guests: Boy Scout Troop 337: Glenda & Trevor Gross, James, Travis & Chase Barringar

Agenda Approval: Pitch made a motion to accept the agenda, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.

Minutes: Hoover made a motion to accept the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from May 11, 2022 as written supported by Pitch Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.

Public Comments: Boy Scout Troop 337 would like to camp at the Community Park on June 17-19th
Discussion held. Motion by Wendt to allow Boy Scout Troop 337 to use the park for a camp out on June 17-19th, supported by Pitch Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.

Supervisor's Report: Kutchey gave report on complaint investigations, Motion by Pitch to allow attorney to draft letter and have it formally served to Mr. Butters with deadline respond to by 8/10/22 and to stop business activity by October 1, 2022, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried. Motion by Wendt to allow Supervisor Kutchey to contact Dept. of Agriculture for guidelines of a farm, supported by Pitch Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.

Treasurers Report: Balances as of June 1, 2022

- A. General Fund Checking-\$70,046.45
- B. General Fund Savings - \$453,107.03
- C. Roads -\$53,708.75
- D. Fire Fund Checking \$85,707.82
- E. Fire Fund Savings-\$467,509.18
- F. Solid Waste Checking-\$ 9,297.58
- G. Solid Waste Savings - \$51,436.76
- H. Current Tax- \$95.23
- I. Water Account- \$153,229.48

Treasurer's report accepted

Clerks Report: Presentation of Claims:

- A. General Fund- Check #14375-14404 - Total \$24,704.44
- B. Fire Fund- Check #7452-7462 - Total \$2,524.28
- C. Solid Waste- Check #1607, 1608 - Total \$15,196.23
- D. Water Account – City of Midland \$20,418.00

Motion made by Pitch to accept the report and pay the claims as stated, supported by Hoover
Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.

Committee Reports:

- A. **Planning Report:** Next meeting June 16, 2022 Rowe Professional Services presented steps required for updating the Township's 5 year Recreation Plan, should have a draft at the next meeting
- B. **Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA):** No meeting
- C. **Fire Dept. Report:** Chief Metzger gave his report
62 total responses for 2022, 10 since last meeting with 2 mutual aid calls since last meeting & 1 public safety education class since last meeting
Dept. Activities:
 - 1. Truck update given
 - 2. New truck design details continue to move forward
 - 3. UTV Update given- 4 door Polaris Ranger
 - 4. DNR Matching Grant and Polaris grant applying for these
 - 5. Station spring cleanup completed

6. ISO evaluation will start in June
 7. State required firefighter continuing education requirements starting in October
- Department Requests
1. To appoint Katelynne Morse to the department for a 1 year probationary period
 2. To spend up to \$800 on public safety education items
 3. To spend up to \$2000 on continuing education software annually
 4. To upgrade Hi Vis Class III fire safety vests for an amount not to exceed \$1200
 5. For support using the ARPA funds on a UTV fire/rescue unit for a cost not to exceed \$53,000,
- Motion by Wendt to grant the 5 requests as stated, supported by Sweet
Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried

- D. **Code Authority:** Slower, having a few issues, Ad to be placed for electrical inspector, audit coming soon, Next meeting June 23rd 5 p.m. County Bldg.
- E. **Assessors Report:** sending letters to residents for the 2022 site reviews
- F. **Water Report:** Quarterly testing done, by annual testing is having a few issues-report need to be filed by 7/10; Quote was submitted by Servinski Sod for hydrant maintenance, discussion held Motion by Wendt to accept the bid from Servinski Sod for 2022 hydrant maintenance (trim & spray)supported by Pitch Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried

Old Business:

- A. **Johnson update:** Court date set July 18, 2022
- B. **Audio Alarm:** Bid submitted from Digital watchdog for additional camera at park and hall. Motion by Wendt to allow Digital watchdog to perform services per bid, supported by Pitch
Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.

New Business:

- A. **Warning Sirens:** No interest by the board
- B. **Lady Explores use of ball fields:** Motion made by Hoover to allow the Lady Explores to use the ballfields in August-October, supported by Kutchey Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried
- C. **Brush cutting:** Motion made by Wendt to allow Servinski Sod to cut back the brush on the walking trail for a cost not to exceed \$1700., supported by Pitch Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.
- D. **Jefferson Road:** Motion by Wendt to allow engineering & ditching as the budget allows of Jefferson Rd between Saiko & Curtis, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch, Kutchey Motion Carried.

Board Comments:

- Sweet:** Insurance Policy information needs to be examined as policy is up for renewal in July.
- Pitch:** County mailed out delinquent tax check, not received yet
- Sweet:** Sam renewal registration completed
- Pitch:** Is there anything that we would like to add to the upcoming tax statements: Facebook page

Public Comments:

- Are the dog signs for park completed, They have been ordered.
- Republic waste doesn't have to pick up loose trash that flies out of the can

Adjournment: Wendt moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m., supported by Sweet Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.