

Kinsman Township Trumbull County Records of Proceedings

Regular Meeting Held on November 8, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

Chairman Greg Leonhard called the meeting to order. All elected officials were present, except

Trustee Linda Miller.

Greg Leonhard asked that all present stand to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Fred Stahl, to waive the reading of the minutes of the October 25, 2021 regular meeting, and the October 30, 2021 special meeting, until the November 25th regular meeting.

Correspondence: None.

Old Business:

1. Greg said compliments are due to the gentlemen who did the roof at the administration building. The county is working on proposals for the ODOT grant. We are waiting on a letter of reference hopefully by the end of the week.
2. Linda had her nephew inspect the furnaces at both the administration building and the garage. Furnaces at both need to be replaced with HEPA filter furnaces that are more efficient.

[RN2021-097] Linda Miller made a motion, seconded by Greg Leonhard, to advertise for bid for roofs for the park pavilions, the park storage building, and furnaces for administration building, garage, and new Greenspace restroom building.

The vote was as follows:

Linda Miller	Yes
Greg Leonhard	Yes
Fred Stahl	Yes

Passed this 8th day of November, 2021.

New Business:

1. The county engineer's office is sponsoring a meeting on November 17th at 6 p.m. at the Johnston Senior Center to look at extending service to areas without natural gas.
2. Fred congratulated Bruce Bancroft and Jamin Banning on their election as new trustees beginning January, 2022.

Fred was contacted by a man in Woodsville, Pennsylvania, who would like to spread his mother's ashes at Kinsman Park. He always brought his mother to Kinsman Library and Kinsman Park. Greg was not comfortable with this. Linda and Fred had no issue with it.

[RN2021-098] Linda Miller made a motion, seconded by Fred Stahl, to give permission to the gentleman to spread his mother's ashes at Kinsman Park at a location suggested by Tim Tricker.

The vote was as follows:

Linda Miller	Yes
Fred Stahl	Yes

Greg Leonhard

No

Passed this 8th day of November, 2021.

3. Police- Shawn told the trustees that Tip a Cop at Times Square was a success with about \$2400 raised for the Shop with a Cop Program. Shawn thanked Greg Leonhard, Logan Pierce, James and Marcy Lewis, Carrie Betts, Joshua Ellwood Bellas, and Brandon Miller of the OSP. Thanks to the public for supporting Shop with a Cop and especially Carol Wilson, owner of Times Square and the waitresses at Times Square.

4. Mark gave his full report to the trustees. The tent at the Air B&B property on Ward North is now gone. Mark tracked down the owner and told him that he cannot conduct that type of business on his property. He can camp there but will need to take his tent down when he leaves.

5. Vince has been released back to work by his doctor after recovering from his injury.

6. Zoning Board- nothing new.

7. Public- A Kinsman resident who lives on Kinsman Pymatuning Road told the trustees she is concerned about drivers still speeding on her road, especially after someone was killed recently. Greg told her that Steve Papalas is looking into changing the speed limit to 45 m.p.h. The county usually waits until multiple requests can be gathered before submitting them to ODOT.

Steve will talk with Gary Shaffer and Dave Spay regarding the reduced speed limit request.

Thanks to Fred for his part in striping the Square.

Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Fred Stahl, to adjourn. The time was 6:18 p.m. The bills were paid.

Trustees

Fiscal Officer

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Regular Meeting Held on November 22, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

Chairman Greg Leonhard called the meeting to order. All elected officials were present.

Greg Leonhard asked that all present stand to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Linda Miller, to accept the reading of the minutes of the October 25, 2021 regular meeting. Linda Miller made a motion, seconded by Fred Stahl, to accept the minutes of the October 30, 2021 special meeting. Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Fred Stahl, to accept the reading of the November 25th regular meeting.

Correspondence: The Liberty Township trustees sent Kinsman trustees a copy of their letter to the Trumbull County Planning Commission regarding Liberty Township's interest in forming a nine-member committee of Trumbull County trustees to monitor the commission's distribution of the county's ARP funds.

Old Business:

1. Steve Papalas sent an email to Gary Shaffer regarding speed limit studies for Kinsman Pymatuning Road. Traffic counters will be installed and Greg suggested between Delin Thomas Road and Webber Cole, also Ward North and the Pennsylvania state line.
2. Bonuses for full-time employees were discussed. Part-time park and road worker Jim Grove and Zoning Inspector Mark Posey will be discussed at a later time.

[RN2021-099] Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Linda Miller, to give Road Superintendent Tim Tricker, Road Worker Vince Peterson, and Chief Shawn Rentz each a (\$500) **\$750** bonus in lieu of a wage increase for 2021.

The vote was as follows:

Greg Leonhard	Yes
Linda Miller	Yes
Fred Stahl	Yes

Passed this 22nd day of November, 2021.

3. Greg learned at a Trumbull Township Association meeting that uses for ARP funding may be expanded. Greg also told the trustees that the county engineer's meeting regarding natural gas lines had been cancelled.

4. Linda reached out to Jake Leslie for a quote to build (handicap ramps and steps at the park pavilions) **repair of concrete at one park pavilion and replace steps at the bandstand.**

New Business:

1. Legislation is being introduced at the state house to change how members are chosen for the Board of Health. We need to reach out to legislators to oppose that. Greg thinks it is a bad idea.
2. Friends of Kinsman is planning a casino bus trip to Salamanca, New York on February 6, 2022. It is \$35 per person. Those attending will meet the bus at the old high school grounds parking lot.
Friends of Kinsman is also holding a paper drive for NESFACE. They are collecting paper towels, toilet paper, and tissues. Collection sites will be Stahl Printing shop, Birrell's, and IGA.
3. Stahl Printing and Kinsman Gulf will be hosting the 4th Annual Home Decorating Contest. There will be three prizes for home decorating and 3 prizes for the Clark Griswold Award. Judging will be done by December 18th.
Fred reminded everyone that Santa on the Square will be held on Sunday, December 19th from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. The parade begins at 2 p.m. at Good Intentions with Santa collecting letters from the Gingerbread mailbox at the Square then on to deliver gifts to Boyd's Kinsman Home. Santa will be back at the Square beginning at 3 p.m. The American Legion Auxiliary will be hosting refreshments at NESFACE, and May's Tees will be having face painting for the children there, too. Registration to have a float in the parade can be done on the Good Intentions website.
4. Marge explained the worksheet that she gave to the trustees regarding utilizing ARP monies to help with revenue loss in the General Fund.
5. Police- Shawn has not heard back yet regarding the body cam grant he applied for. Over the summer, Shawn applied for a grant for two MBTs and we received one saving the township between \$3,000 and \$4,000. Shawn filled out paperwork to receive half reimbursement for training for the new CPT guidelines. Next year 24 hours of training will be mandated for officers. Shawn thinks that we will not have trouble receiving the body cam grant. Shawn was invited to speak on time management by the Columbus Ohio Chiefs of Police Association meeting for departments with less than 25 employees on their OAPC website online. Greg thanked Shawn for his work on applying for grants.
He also turned in his monthly report. A copy can be obtained by contacting the fiscal officer.
6. Tim thanked the trustees for the bonus. He asked the trustees a question about the proposed furnace at the new restroom building at the Greenspace. He suggested a small furnace would be better. Tim told the trustees that he has 100 tons of salt mix in the dome currently and he has ordered 75 tons more.
7. Fire- Travis told the trustees that an ODNR grant has opened up to apply for forestry gear, which includes boots, helmets, and hose gear. They have applied for a FEMA grant to replace old hose.
He told the trustees that the Expedition is in need of repair.
8. Mark told the trustees that he is busier this month than last.
9. Steve Papalas of the county engineer's office told the trustees that he is working on the speed limit study request. Greg thanked him for his work.
10. Public- Nothing.

Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Fred Stahl, to adjourn. The time was 6:18 p.m.
The bills were paid.

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