

Kinsman Township Trumbull County

Records of Proceedings

Regular Meeting Held on February 13, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Chairman Bruce Bancroft called the meeting to order. All elected officials were present.

All present stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Jamin Banning, to accept the minutes of the January 23, 2023 regular trustees meeting as corrected. The vote was unanimous.

Correspondence:

1. The Trumbull County Engineers sent notice of permission to work in the right of way of Kinsman Pymatuning Road, Address 10283.
2. The Trumbull County Engineers sent the township an invitation to their annual dinner to be held Tuesday, May 2nd at 6 p.m. at DiLucia's on Elm Road. Five will attend.
They also requested a date from the trustees for a meeting to discuss 2023 road projects. The trustees asked for a tentative date of February 23rd at 6 p.m.
3. The Trumbull County Combined Health District gave the trustees the agenda for their Annual Advisory Council meeting to be held at 176 Chestnut Street in Warren on Wednesday, March 8, at 7 p.m.

Old Business:

1. Greg said the Scrap Tire and Go Green Grant have been submitted for \$2488.50. This will cover the Sunburst garbage truck for \$670 and the U-Haul truck for electronics collection for \$340. We will find out the award for the Go Green Grant, which we are allotted \$3500.
Greg will get prices for truck and tractor tire collection. Residents can give a donation of \$2 each overage after 8 tires turned in to offset cost.
Greg had the Region 7 Opioid meeting last Monday night. If the money isn't available by March, it may be 2024 before it starts. They will need assurances that programs they award will continue after the grant monies are used up. We can collaborate with other jurisdictions.
Some residents may have noticed trees cut near the Methodist Church in preparation for Phase 3 of the Sidewalk Project.
Greg thanked Tim and Vince for their work with getting the camera quote near the recycling bins.
Gary Shaffer said that the 15-ton load limit study on Perkins Greenville Road will be finalized soon.

New Business:

1. Todd Price told Greg our station was manned nine times in January. He applied for ARP funding with the county commissioners for power cots and power loaders.
Greg met with Trumbull County Metro Parks on North River Road for possible grants for the Greenspace. He also met with the Trumbull County Engineers in regard to the sidewalk for the

Greenspace. They will do the engineering part but we will need to apply for grants to pay for the sidewalk. He also spoke with a person regarding lowering our township electric expense. He will review our bills to see if he can help.

[RN2023-034] Jamin Banning made a motion, seconded by Greg Leonhard, to accept the Alexander Pest Control spray dates of May 10, June, 7, July 5, August 2, and September 13, 2023.

The vote was as follows:	Jamin Banning	Yes
	Greg Leonhard	Yes
	Bruce Bancroft	Yes

Be it so resolved this 13rd day of February, 2023.

2. Jamin told the trustees that he, along with Tim and Vince, visited 7856 Wayland Avenue to discuss the standing water issues. The resident wanted to cut across the road for a drain pipe. He was told he could not cut across the road. Tim and Vince suggested running a drain into an existing catch basin. We will upgrade the catch basin to accommodate it since it is in our right of way. The upgrade will cost a few hundred dollars. Greg suggested the resident should help fix the problem by having someone run tile that needs to be done in the same time period as the drain pipe upgrade. The house is in a low spot.
Jamin was contacted by a resident on State Route 5 regarding inadequate internet service. Greg said the cost of upgrading service is \$90,000 per mile. He said that state of Ohio is working on helping with this problem in rural areas.
A local internet provider, Davis Rural Broadband in Greenville has been successful in helping those who need internet.
3. Bruce asked the trustees to appoint Fred Stahl to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

[RN2023-035] Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Jamin Banning, to appoint Fred Stahl to the Zoning Board of Appeals to fill the vacancy of Bob Mullett.

The vote was as follows:	Greg Leonhard	Yes
	Jamin Banning	Yes
	Bruce Bancroft	Yes

Be it so resolved this 13rd day of February, 2023.

4. Friend of Kinsman and the American Legion are sponsoring a Chinese Auction and Barbecue at the American Legion on May 20, 2023. They are asking for help with this effort.
5. Road- The county engineers met on Wayland Avenue last Thursday. After cleaning out the ditch and jetting out the culvert the water is moving now.
Tim and Vince put down 2 ½ ton of cold patch on Turner Mullen Road and some on Ward North. They would like to seal Ward North Road this year.
Tim also said they are talking about driveway culverts the road department has been installing. There are several tons of stone and this is costly, even though the resident pays for the culvert pipe. Jamin suggested we should use a type of permit and we can find a township that uses a good permit process to consider. The prosecutor's office can draw up language.
6. Fire- Annual maintenance has been done on fire vehicles. The pumper needs rear brakes.

[RN2023-036] Jamin Banning made a motion, seconded by Greg Leonhard, to allow Cory to have the rear brakes repaired on the pumper truck for a cost of up to \$1,000.

The vote was as follows:

Jamin Banning	Yes
Greg Leonhard	Yes
Bruce Bancroft	Yes

Be it so resolved this 13rd day of February, 2023.

Cory talked with the Fire Chief at the Airbase. He has a new MOU for mutual aid.

- 7. Police- Shawn has submitted grant paperwork to the county commissioners. He has placed an ad for hiring part-time police officers, and has given the trustees his statistics report.

Shawn would like to set up CPR training at a cost of \$35 per person to be held here at the administration building. He told the trustees that the PD wrote a speeding ticket for 83 mph.

[RN2023-037] Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Jamin Banning that any township resident who would like to attend CPR training the township will cover the cost for the first 5 residents.

The vote was as follows:

Greg Leonhard	Yes
Jamin Banning	Yes
Bruce Bancroft	Yes

Be it so resolved this 13rd day of February, 2023.

- 8. Zoning- Mark gave the trustees his monthly report. He is awaiting the legal opinions from the township attorney and prosecutor regarding Ward North Prime Agriculture zoning.

Bruce Bancroft made a motion, seconded by Greg Leonhard, to adjourn the meeting. The time was 6:54 p.m. The vote was unanimous. The bills were paid.

Trustees

Fiscal Officer

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Regular Meeting Held on February 27, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Chairman Bruce Bancroft called the meeting to order. All elected officials were present.

All present stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Jamin Banning, to accept the minutes of the February 13, 2023 regular trustees meeting as corrected. The vote was unanimous.

Correspondence: The Trumbull County Combined Health District sent the trustees notice of their annual meeting on March 8, 2023.

Old Business:

1. Brakes on the pumper truck will be replaced on Friday.

Greg received pricing from Liberty Tire. The trustees set prices as follows for scrap tire collection:

\$4.00 each for tires over the 8-tire limit for cars and pickup tires, small agriculture truck tires 0-75 lbs. \$15 each, medium agriculture tires 76-150 lbs. \$30, large agriculture tires 151-225 lbs. \$50, and x-large agriculture tires 226+ lbs. \$100 each.

2. Greg spoke with Commissioner Malloy about ambulance power cots. He feels the commissioners will cover the cost. They will review the request for new police garage assistance.

Greg thanked Todd Price and Shawn for submitting requests.

Greg and Bruce attended a county meeting discussing broadband access to local townships.

3. Bruce has been in contact with Tim Sexton regarding completion of the bid packet for the new police garage. It is still in progress.

4. Jamin reached out to several townships to ask about how they handled residents working in township right-of-way. He brought a sample of some township permits.

Greg feels that Tim and Vince could inspect the road before and after work has been completed.

Jamin included basic county guidelines with his samples. Steve Papalas told the trustees that the county offers advice on residents' work and how to correct it should there be a problem.

5. Kinsman Yard Sale dates:

[RN2023-038] Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Bruce Bancroft, to set the Kinsman for Sale Days of July 7, 8, and 9, 2023, and yard sale fees will be waived for those days.

The vote was as follows:

Greg Leonhard	Yes
Bruce Bancroft	Yes
Jamin Banning	Yes

Be it so resolved this 27th day of February, 2023.

- Bruce asked the trustees to appoint Marshall McConnell as alternate to the Zoning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals since Fred moved from an alternate to fill the vacancy of Bob Mullett resignation.

[RN2023-039] Jamin Banning made a motion, seconded by Bruce Bancroft, to appoint Marshall McConnell as Zoning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals alternate.

The vote was as follows:	Jamin Banning	Yes
	Bruce Bancroft	Yes
	Greg Leonhard	Yes

Be it so resolved this 27th day of February, 2023.

- Bruce contacted Mark regarding an abandoned property on Ridge Road that is in dire need of cleanup. Mark will try to contact the owner, as it appears to be abandoned.
- Bonus for Police Chief Shawn Rentz.

[RN2023-40] Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Jamin Banning, to give Kinsman Police Chief Shawn Rentz the same bonus of \$750 as he received last year. The trustees thanked him for his continued good work.

The vote was as follows:	Greg Leonhard	Yes
	Jamin Banning	Yes
	Bruce Bancroft	Yes

Be it so resolved this 27th day of February, 2023.

- The trustees discussed park custodian Ed Slywczak review and raise for 2023. Since Ed has not been a township employee for a complete year.

[RN2023-041] Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Jamin Banning, to give Park Custodian Ed Slywczak a \$0.50 per hour raise from \$13 per hour to \$13.50, on his one-year anniversary as a township employee beginning April 1, 2023. The trustees thanked him for his continued good work.

The vote was as follows:	Greg Leonhard	Yes
	Jamin Banning	Yes
	Bruce Bancroft	Yes

Be it so resolved this 27th day of February, 2023.

New Business:

- A resident located at 8838 State Route 5 reached out to Jamin regarding a request for a deer crossing sign near their home. ODOT may not install this unless accidents occur. Jamin will continue to look into this.
- Greg congratulated the Badger Lady Braves basketball team on winning their first league championship in 38 years.
He also received an invitation from the Trumbull County Planning Commission to attend a meeting on March 9th at 6 p.m. at the West Farmington Senior Center regarding the Community Development Block Grant. He is planning on attending to see if there are funds to help with the Kinsman Greenspace project.
- Police- Greg asked about the progress of the new logos on police vehicles.

4. Roads- nothing.
5. Fire- Travis will check with Cory on training.
6. Mark read section 6 “Nonconforming Structures and Uses” of the Kinsman Township Zoning Resolution, followed by Paragraph F “Single Nonconforming Lots of Record” of the same, concerning the lot in question on Ward North Road. This states that even though it fails to meet minimum lot requirements in that district, this lot can be built upon as is. This was confirmed by two separate legal opinions, the Trumbull County Prosecutor Jason Toth and Township Attorney Mark Finamore.
Mark then discussed three other properties that need our attention.
7. Steve of the Trumbull County Engineers office said he is glad to be at the meeting and a discussion was had about several topics to talk about at the annual trustees’ meeting with the county engineers.
8. Public- Further discussion happened regarding existing lots on agriculture property. Mark will copy the Kinsman Zoning Resolution addressing this for the resident.

Greg Leonhard made a motion, seconded by Jamin Banning, to adjourn the meeting. The time was 6:57 p.m. The vote was unanimous. The bills were paid.

Trustees

Fiscal Officer