

## RECORD OF PROCEEDING

Minutes of Burton Township Trustees  
Held at the Burton Township Administration Building

Regular Meeting  
August 2, 2021

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Jarred Miller, Chairman, opened the meeting at 7:34 p.m. with Board members, Ken Burnett and Dan Whiting in attendance.

**Minutes:** The special budget meeting minutes from July 6, 2021 were approved as presented with a motion from Mr. Burnett and seconded by Mr. Whiting. Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Burnett – yes and Mr. Whiting – yes. The regular meeting minutes from July 6, 2021 were approved as corrected by a motion from Mr. Burnett and seconded by Mr. Whiting. Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Burnett – yes and Mr. Whiting – yes. The special meeting minutes from July 15, 2021 were approved as presented with a motion from Mr. Burnett and seconded by Mr. Miller. Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Burnett – yes and Mr. Whiting – abstain.

**Public Comment** – Mr. Brian Bonjack of Fisher Road was present to follow up on the issues he presented at the April meeting. The issue of limited sight and the Amish traffic was presented to the Engineer's office. They will address these issues after the repaving of the road is completed. He stated that there is a flaw in the paving project. The Trustees stated that the Engineer's office is aware and they are taking care of it. There were questions about the parcel on Aquilla Road that had a large fundraiser for the homeless. The Zoning Inspector stated that when he confronted the resident prior to the event that the resident did not disclose that there was going to be a fundraiser on the property versus a large private party. This matter brought to light that some zoning codes need to be updated. Mr. Bonjack also stated that there are only two signs when you enter Burton. There used to be ones on Rapids, Aquilla and Butternut. The Trustees will contact the Engineer's office about replacements. Mr. Matt Iosue was present. He currently owns property on the end of Broadwood. He is concerned about the condition of the road if the newly sold property behind Broadwood would logged. The project would have to be bonded by the County. Mr. Rob Demko of Station Road was present. He would like the road to have a 25 mile per hour speed limit sign on it. He attended the Middlefield Township Trustees meeting about the issue. Mr. Whiting made a motion to recommend a 25 mile per hour speed limit on Station Road. Mr. Burnett seconded this motion. Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Burnett – yes and Mr. Whiting – yes. Mr. Burnett will talk to Mr. Nick Gorris about the speed limit.

**Fire Department:** Chief Wendl was present to update the Trustees on the Fire Department. There were 18 calls in Burton Township in July and the department responded to 86 calls. Safety Town is next week and the Fire Department is holding the Bocca Fundraiser on August 7, 2021. A new contract was discussed. The remaining receipts are still needed for the Cares Act monies.

**Cemeteries:** A quote from Heritage Fence was received in the amount of \$4,726.33 for fence repairs. He cannot do a quote for a full rebuild until next year.

**Zoning:** Permits were issued for an addition, an accessory building and a lot split in the month of July. A sign permit was issued to Berkshire Local Schools at no cost. Sean Reeves has a vacant lot on Patriot. He would like to put up an accessory building but cannot because it does not have a primary residence. There was a discussion about vacant lots.

**Park Committee:** The new roof on the pavilion was started on August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Roads:** Ditching was done on Fisher Road. The fence was pulled at Slitor Cemetery. It is now easier to mow. Side mowing was completed and the washout was fixed on Fisher Road. The berms were cut down on Pond Road. The road maintainer was taken down on Pond, Rider, Durkee and Hale. Forty feet of pipe was replaced at Slitor Cemetery. There is a code on the backhoe. Caterpillar will come out to Slitor Cemetery to review. Sheena Watts of Stanley Drive inquired about the future plans of the cud-de-sac.

**Fiscal Officer:** Mr. Burnett made Resolution 2021-11 (a revised resolution of 2021-10) Declaring it Necessary to Levy a Tax in Excess of the 10 Mill Limitation. This levy is for the purpose of ORC 5705.19 (G) for the general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, and repair of streets, roads, and bridges in municipal corporations, counties or townships. This is a renewal 1.1 Mill levy to levied in tax year 2022 and collection beginning 2023 for a period of 5 years. Vote: Mr. Miller – yes, Mr. Burnett – yes and Mr. Whiting – yes.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** There is a grant through ODOT that can be used for Colony Lane. Mr. Nick Gorris is helping the Township with this. Tai Chi will resume using the buildings on Wednesdays when the weather turns colder.

**Budget Hearing will be August 16, 2021 at 2:50 pm.**

**The next regular meeting will be on September 7, 2021 at 7:30 pm.**

**Warrants: Warrants #11257 thru #11282 were approved and paid.**

**As there was no further business, this meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m. by a motion from Mr. Whiting and seconded by Mr. Burnett. The vote was unanimous.**

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Chairman

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Fiscal Officer