

## SAGAMORE HILLS TOWNSHIP – REGULAR MEETING

**Monday, May 13, 2024 – media notified**

The regular meeting was called to order by Mr. DePasquale at 7:00 p.m. The media was notified.

R/C: DePasquale-present; Schweikert-present; Zaccardelli-present;  
Fiscal Officer Laura Steimle-present.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mr. DePasquale asked Mr. Jay Wahl to come forward. Mr. Wahl was appointed as the newest member of our zoning commission at the last trustee meeting. He was highly recommended by Dr. Koncal.

Mr. Zaccardelli administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Jay Wahl. Mr. Wahl is replacing Dr. Koncal who is retiring from the zoning commission as of May 28, 2024. Everyone congratulated Mr. Wahl.

Mr. DePasquale made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 8, 2024 Regular Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Schweikert.  
R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.

Mr. DePasquale made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2024 Special Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Schweikert.  
R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-abstain.

Mr. DePasquale made a motion to approve the warrant report as presented.  
Seconded by Mr. Zaccardelli. R/C Vote: DePasquale aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.

Mr. Zaccardelli made a motion to ADOPT **RESOLUTION 24-15** to honor Dr. David Koncal for his years of service to Sagamore Hills Township. Seconded by Mr. Schweikert.  
R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.

Mr. Schweikert made a motion to ADOPT **RESOLUTION 24-16** the rules and regulations governing soliciting in Sagamore Hills Township. There was a brief discussion.  
Seconded by Mr. DePasquale. R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.

Mr. DePasquale made a motion to ADOPT **RESOLUTION 24-17** a resolution authorizing the approval and adoption of the Summit County Hazard Mitigation Plan.  
Seconded by Mr. Zaccardelli. R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.

Mr. Zaccardelli made a motion to ADOPT **RESOLUTION 24-18** authorizing applying for financial assistance for public recreation purposes through the State of Ohio Nature Works Grant Program. Seconded by Mr. Schweikert.  
R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.

Mr. DePasquale made a motion to ADOPT **RESOLUTION 24-19** for ALS Awareness for the month of May 2024. Seconded by Mr. Schweikert.  
R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.

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Mr. Schweikert made a motion to ADOPT **RESOLUTION 24-20** authorizing the support and approval of the 2024 Summit County 911 Plan in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 128.08. Seconded by Mr. Zaccardelli.

R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.

Mr. DePasquale stated we have a fair amount of NOPEC money for energy efficiency upgrades. Our furnaces are twelve years old. Mr. DePasquale obtained a quote of \$28,920.00 to replace the two furnaces and air conditioning units.

Mr. DePasquale made a motion to accept the proposal from Slosarik, Inc. in the amount of \$28,920.00 for two new furnaces and air conditioning units for the township administration building. Seconded by Mr. Zaccardelli.

R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.

### **Zoning**

Mr. Zaccardelli reported there is no activity at Elmcroft. Parkview is moving along. There has been a lot of rain the last 30-40 days. The township is going to give residents until June to get caught up with cutting their grass. Last month we had twelve permits for a total of \$3400 in application fees. One was for a new house.

### **Roads**

Mr. Schweikert said the road department did a really nice job with the mower lift. It enables them to get up under to work on the machines. They took apart our lift truck with the bucket.

They have been mowing lawns the best they can with all the rain. The baseball fields are being taken care of by the NHAA.

### **Police**

Mr. DePasquale reported for April 2024 the Police Department handled 644 calls for Service, complete 933 community policing area checks, 19 house checks and distributed 467 "Patrolled Your Area Cards".

The Investigative Section Received twenty-eight (28) investigations for the month and closed all of them except for one (1), three (3) were closed by arrests. This section also completed seven (7) PR calls. Our therapy dog had ten (10) community interactions.

The Police Chief received two (2) commendation/appreciation letters from residents, praising members of the Department for their dedication to duty.

Officers completed 24 mandated, on-line Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy courses. A SWAT Member attended 16 hours of training. Total of 40 hours of training.

The Police department will be purchasing 1 Pepper Ball Launcher.

### **Fire**

Mr. DePasquale reported for April 2024 there were 175 EMS calls and 31 Fire for Macedonia Station #1; 90 EMS calls and 16 Fire for Sagamore Hills Station #2; 53 EMS calls and 12 Fire for Northfield Center Station #3. There was mutual aid in 7 times and out 7 times. There was a total of 379 calls for the month of April.

### **Fiscal Officer**

Ms. Steimle reported the Fiscal Officer's April 2024 report had a beginning balance of \$8,014,833.59, plus receipts and settlements of \$56,811.18, deducting expenditures in the amount of \$517,830.09. Leaving an ending balance of \$7,553,814.68.

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### **Trustee Reports**

Mr. Schweikert asked everyone to please not feed wild animals. New residents moving into the township are feeding the animals. There was just a rabies outbreak in Youngstown.

Mr. Schweikert stated the township has hired its first minority officer. Typically, the township does not get minority candidates because we don't have a starting pay that is high enough compared to the bigger cities.

Mr. DePasquale gave an update on the new ambulance. The model year is 2025. The order has been placed.

Mr. Zaccardelli said First Energy will be spraying this year. No dates are available yet. As soon as that information is available, we will post it on our website.

ReWorks collection begins June 6, 2024 through September 26, 2024, 2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Please check their website for any updates.

Mr. Zaccardelli received a phone call from Dan Bender of Euthenics requesting a rate increase. Mr. Zaccardelli made a motion to accept the rate increase request. Seconded by Mr. Schweikert. R/C Vote: all in favor

Mr. DePasquale thanked Laura, J.T. and Pat for all their work on the electronic documents. Thanked Laura for getting quotes.

Mr. Zaccardelli thanked Mr. DePasquale for taking the lead on the file cabinets for the meeting room, and the girls for taking everything out and packing it up.

Mr. Schweikert thanked Laura for all the paper work she submitted on the storm water project.

A representative from the Historical Society of Northfield presented a memorial medallion to the township commemorating the Olde Northfield Bicentennial (1807 – 2007).

### **CITIZENS FORUM**

Mike Cunningham, 1218 Canyon View Road, Greenwood Village mentioned as the township's new ordinance on soliciting goes into effect, would it be possible to internally circulate that first amendment activities are also an exemption. Mr. DePasquale replied when this is posted on the website, we will include some verbiage.

Mr. DePasquale said if anyone wants to be on the no-knock list to email Joanne at [admin@mysagamorehills.com](mailto:admin@mysagamorehills.com) who will then forward it to Janell. An ad will also be put in the Sagamore Voice.

Mr. DePasquale reminded everyone when they renew their motor vehicle registrations to please indicate Sagamore Hills as your place of residence and not Northfield so that we receive the revenue.

David Klimkewicz, 1221 Nesbitt Road, asked if the NOPEC grant is available for residents. Mr. DePasquale said no, it is strictly for the township. Mr. Klimkewicz also asked whether the playground was an extension of what we have. Mr. Zaccarelli said it is playground equipment for a third play area in the Sagamore Hills Park. Trustees are still working on the exact location.

Mr. Klimkewicz said at the corner of Carter Road and Rt. 82 to the east, it is hard to see up the hill because of the tall grass. Mr. DePasquale said it is a state route.

Mr. Klimkewicz commended our police department. Mr. Klimkewicz was on vacation and the police handled a situation at his home.

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Gary Smith, 824 Glencrest, said at the corner of Glencrest and Boyden there is an overhanging tree onto Boyden Road. Mr. Snell said we will let Summit County Engineer know, and let ODOT know about the Carter Road and Rt. 82 issue.

Mr. Zaccardelli said if you live on a county road, the county is not cutting the ditches. The resident is responsible for the ditches. The county stopped cutting it this year.

Mr. Schweikert said we are only insured for our roads; we cannot work on any roads but our own for anything including dead animals.

Mr. DePasquale made a motion to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Zaccardelli.  
R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.