

## **SAGAMORE HILLS TOWNSHIP – REGULAR MEETING**

**Monday, June 12, 2023 – media notified**

The regular meeting was called to order by Mr. Schweikert 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. Schweikert made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 8, 2023 Regular Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Zaccardelli.

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

Mr. DePasquale made a motion to approve the warrant report as presented.

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

Mr. Schweikert made a motion to ADOPT **RESOLUTION 23-25** the 2024 Budget in the amount of Ten Million Eight Hundred Forty Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars and Zero Cents (\$10,840,695.00). Seconded by Mr. Zaccardelli.

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

Mr. Schweikert made a motion to AMEND **RESOLUTION 22-54** the organizational resolution concerning social media news as a source. Seconded by Mr. DePasquale.

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

### **Fire**

Mr. DePasquale reported for May 2023 there were 164 EMS calls and 29 Fire for Macedonia Station #1; 109 EMS calls and 10 Fire for Sagamore Hills Station #2; 52 EMS calls and 7 Fire for Northfield Center Station #3. There was mutual aid in 16 times and out 11 times. There was a total of 382 calls for the month of May.

### **Police**

Mr. DePasquale reported for May 2023 the Police Department handled 609 calls for Service, provided 1631 community policing area checks, distributed 1130 “Patrolled Your Area Cards” and completed 12 house checks.

The Investigative Section Received twenty-three (23) investigations for the month and closed all of them, two (2) were closed by arrest.

The Police Chief received three (3) commendation/appreciation letter from residents, praising members of the Department for their dedication to duty.

Officers are continuing their on-line required training, and yearly updates. A Sergeant completed 16 hours of Metro SWAT shooting qualifications and less than lethal force training. Total of 34 hours of training.

Mr. DePasquale reported the police truck that had been ordered over a year ago should be delivered in two days. The truck is totally outfitted.

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### **Roads**

Mr. Schweikert reported there will be no roadside grass ditching work done. The tractor is down and we are waiting for parts.

There is a minor problem with the resurfacing. We have intermediate resurfacing on all of the roads and some of the roads have been finalized. We are waiting for the cross over pipes and the catch basin repairs and then we will put on the final coat.

Mr. Schweikert announced that the three trustees and fiscal officer are working on a District 8 Grant for Village Parkway. This year John and Laura are heading it up. Next year Paul and Dave will take it over.

Mr. Schweikert made a motion to purchase a diagnostic truck monitor in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the road department to use on the 5-ton trucks. Seconded by Mr. DePasquale. R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.

### **Zoning**

Mr. Zaccardelli reported that zoning is picking up a little bit. The total amount in zoning permits for the last month was \$6,400.

The Board of Zoning Appeals had a meeting last month on May 24<sup>th</sup> and the variance was granted.

The Parkview project on Carter Road is moving along. The grass along Carter Road has not been cut because the equipment is down waiting for parts.

Mr. Snell reported that there is continuous progress on Carter Road. There is going to be a meeting with the residents regarding the blasting that will be taking place in September. Mr. Snell gave a brief summary on the blasting schedule and process. The blasting will be done by an independent company. There was a brief discussion about the blasting.

Mr. Zaccardelli said there is a coin shop moving into Sagamore Square.

### **Fiscal Officer**

Ms. Steimle reported the Fiscal Officer's May 2023 report had a beginning balance of \$9,206,014.76, plus receipts and settlements of \$530,466.01, minus expenditures on the warrant report in the amount of \$216,671.55 and minus memo receipts in the amount of \$6,702.11, leaving an ending balance of \$9,513,107.11.

### **Trustee Reports**

Mr. DePasquale reported work was performed on the township office building. There were new gutters, spouts, soffits installed and the wrapping of exposed wood on gables and windows with aluminum coil all around the building for better heating and cooling efficiency. The cost of this project was \$9,500.00 and will be reimbursed by NOPEC.

Mr. Zaccardelli said helicopters were working a few days ago by the high wire tension lines cutting trees.

Mr. Zaccardelli reminded everyone that ReWorks hazardous waste collection has started for the 2023 Season. You can go to the ReWorks website [www.summitreworks.com](http://www.summitreworks.com) or a link to the ReWorks website on [www.mysagamorehills.com](http://www.mysagamorehills.com) for detailed information. Mr. DePasquale said ReWorks does not take latex paint.

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### **CITIZENS FORUM**

Ms. Ellen Bertel, a representative from the Historical Society of Olde Northfield, gave a brief history of the Historical Society. They have an operating budget of about \$3,000/year. They have received donations from Macedonia, Northfield Village, Northfield Center and the VFW Hall and are really close to meeting their budget for the first time in many years. Ms. Bertel is asking all four communities to get together and help support the Historical Society as part of their annual budget. Mr. Schweikert replied that the board would need to speak with the State Auditor to see whether the township may make a donation. Ms. Robertson asked Ms. Bertel whether they monitor out of state visitors. Ms. Bertel replied they have a guest register.

Carol Lewis, 9634 Olde Eight, asked whether there was any news on the Elmcroft facility. Mr. Zaccardelli replied they have heard nothing.

Dave Klimkewicz, 1221 Nesbitt Road, asked what was the change in the budget. Ms. Steimle replied the budget went down from last year.

Mr. Klimkewicz asked in regard to the blasting whether the county or state have any monitoring or licensing. Mr. Snell replied the contractors are licensed by the state of Ohio.

Mr. Klimkewicz shared his concern with Northfield Center moving from the building on Rt. 82 and possibly Sagamore Hills leasing part of the building as a police substation and post a sign to detour crime. Mr. DePasquale replied there are police cars parked there all the time.

Ms. Robertson, 503 Alliance Lane, asked what the time frame was for contractors to stop working. Mr. Snell replied we are required to follow the county regulations which is 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. The township does not have control over construction noise.

Carolyn Wolske asked whether there was any news about the traffic light at Chaffee. Mr. Snell said they are running a check, but have not received any results yet.

Mr. Schweikert made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Mr. DePasquale.  
R/C Vote: DePasquale-aye; Schweikert-aye; Zaccardelli-aye.