

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2021**

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Regular Session on  
November 9, 2021 with Trustee Shaffer, Trustee Nichols and Trustee Mittas

Also in Attendance:

Fiscal Officer John Ring, Public Works Director Chris Neisel, Fire Chief Christopher Smith, and  
Zoning Director Mike Hanshaw

Regular Meeting – October 26, 2021

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes from the October 26, 2021 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

**PUBLIC SPEAKS:**

- Ray Bednarzik-215 32<sup>nd</sup> St. SW-Flag Respect regarding Canton Rotary Flags
- Tamara Mackey-927 Carnwise St SW-Political Event at the Community Center

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mr. Nichols made a motion to move into Executive Session at 6:51 p.m. with Trustees, Zoning Director, Fiscal Officer and Jerry Yost from Stark County Prosecutor’s office to confer with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of an imminent court action per Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(3). Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Shaffer	YES
	Mr. Nichols	YES
	Mr. Mittas	YES

Mr. Nichols made a motion to move out of Executive Session at 8:23 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Shaffer	YES
	Mr. Nichols	YES
	Mr. Mittas	YES

**FIRE:**

Fire Chief presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$24,059.06= Ambulance Billing, \$893.00=CPR and \$500.00=Misc. Income for total receipts of \$25,452.06. Mr. Shaffer made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to acknowledge receipt of resignation letters in form but not substance from Full Time Firefighter/Medic Herb Fogel that is effective 0800hrs 11/26/21 and Cody Uniak that is effective 0800hrs on 11/13/21. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the fire chief to proceed with the process of hiring two new Full Time Firefighters/Medics to replace the two recent resignations. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Mittas made a motion the Board approve and sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the Canton Township and City of Canton fire departments contingent on approval by the City of Canton of same. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve opening 1 PO:

PO:

Ohio Bureau of Workers Comp = \$17,645.16

Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

**FYI:**

- Fire Dept monthly reports turned in
- 1/1/22-1/1/23 Workers Comp estimated annual premium is \$22,622.00 due in full by December 21, 2021
- 2021 Workers Comp premium true-up is due February 2022

**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/ ROAD:**

Public Works Director presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$26.00=House Number Sign and \$150.00= Road Opening for total receipts of \$176.00. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 1 PO:

PO:

Aeromark= \$18,000

Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve Resolution 11-01-21 “A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE TEMPORARY “NO PARKING” ZONES ON DESIGNATED TOWNSHIP ROADS DURING THE 2021 OHSAA STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS, FROM THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2021 AT 8:00 A.M. THROUGH SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2021 AT 11:59 P.M., WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF CANTON TOWNSHIP, STARK COUNTY” Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Shaffer	YES
	Mr. Nichols	YES
	Mr. Mittas	YES

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve Resolution 11-02-21 “A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE A “NO PARKING” ZONE ON A PORTION OF NAVARRE RD SW BETWEEN THE ACCESS ROAD FROM SOUTHWAY ST SW AND THE DEADEND OF NAVARRE RD SW WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF CANTON TOWNSHIP, STARK COUNTY” Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Shaffer	YES
	Mr. Nichols	YES
	Mr. Mittas	YES

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the Public Works Director to hire Lawrence Greathouse as a part time seasonal Public Works employee on an as needed, on call basis for winter snow and ice maintenance at the rate of \$16.00 per hour with OPERS per township handbook and no other benefits pending his background check and drug screen. The start date TBD by the Public Works Director. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to authorize the Public Works Director to work with township legal counsel to put into place work agreements with affected property owners and complete the extension of the culvert and ditch cleaning. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Shaffer and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to authorize the Public Works Director to renegotiate the contract with Hammontree & Associates regarding a county sewer connection and to obtain a final bill and updated estimate and proposal for the new sewer design, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Shaffer and Mr. Mittas.

FYI:

- Road, Zoning, and parks monthly reports
- Rt 800 Speed Study
- ODOT Rep for Gambrinus/Raff Intersection
- EPA underground storage tanks
- Out of town starting tomorrow afternoon thru Sunday afternoon
- Our flags will be coming down next week

**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/ PARK:**

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 1 Then and Now PO:

Then and Now PO:

Stark County Sanitary Engineer= \$7,580.27

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

**FYI:**

- Park Construction Update

**ZONING:**

Zoning Director presented zoning permit receipts for two weeks in the total amount of \$199.40 Mr. Shaffer made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the Fiscal Officer to sign the letter to Stark County Auditor requesting a lien on the tax duplicate for lawn maintenance/high grass nuisance assessment on (17) parcels: 1312424, 1308938, 1308399, 1309394, 1301856, 1307755, 1307061, 1307062, 1304875, 1304876, 1305244, 1309342, 1312336, 1303629, 1303630, 1303631 and 1301441 totaling \$8,650.00. Seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve to accept the resignation of Beatrice Schiavone from the Zoning Commission effective 11/2/21, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve to schedule the date of Public Hearing for CA-6-21 on December 7, 2021 at 6:00pm, seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

**FYI:**

- Nuisance list
- High Grass list
- Thank you to Mrs. Schiavone for her service to Zoning Commission. Zoning Commission Alternate Board member needed
- Nuisance mowing done for the year
- Zoning Commission Meeting CA-6-21 November 15th 6:00 pm

**FISCAL OFFICER:**

Fiscal Officer presented bills in the amount of \$49,325.94 and payroll/PERS/Police and Fire in the amount of \$127,800.95 for total checks in the amount of \$177,126.89. Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the checks as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Shaffer with Mr. Shaffer abstaining from warrants: 26758, 26796, 26797, and 26798 and Mr. Nichols abstaining from warrant 26769.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve Department Heads’ submissions for requests for vacation, compensatory time, and overtime. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve closing 3 PO’s:

PO:

86-2021=The Repository

116-2021-Milhoan Asphalt Maintenance

185-2021-Municipal Signs & Sales

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the intrafund transfers:

1000- \$50,919.73

From: 1000-110-342 To: 1000-760-730-\$1,500.00

From: 1000-110-343 To: 1000-760-730-\$500.00

From: 1000-110-345 To: 1000-760-730-\$1,000.00

From: 1000-110-351 To: 1000-760-730-\$6,000.00

From: 1000-110-353 To: 1000-760-730-\$500.00

From: 1000-110-359 To: 1000-760-730-\$15,000.00

From: 1000-110-730 To: 1000-760-730-\$17,619.73

From: 1000-110-730 To: 1000-110-590-\$8,800.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve opening 2 PO’s:

PO’s:

Ohio Bureau of Workers Comp = \$226.22

CCI Commercial Construction, LLC= \$40,000.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve Resolution 11-03-21 “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STAR-020C GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES” Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Shaffer	YES
	Mr. Nichols	YES
	Mr. Mittas	YES

**FYI:**

- OTARMA Cyber Security/Intech

**TRUSTEES:**

**MR. NICHOLS**

**FYI:**

Mr. Nichols made a motion to hold a Special Meeting on Monday, November 16, 2021 at 6:30p.m. at the Canton Township Administration Building. The purpose is to move into Execution Session, under ORC 121.22G(1), to discuss 2021 employee compensation. The Board also reserves the right to discuss and take action on any other Township business that may come before the Board. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

**MR. SHAFFER**

**FYI:**

- Concerns Shepler/Sherman intersection
- Thank you for staff community engagement during holiday

**ADJOURN:**

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Nichols made a motion to adjourn at 10:22p.m., seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES- Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

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John Ring, Fiscal Officer

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Christopher B. Nichols, President

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Mark R. Shaffer, Vice President

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William G. Mittas, Member