

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
HELD TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2022**

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Regular Session on  
May 3, 2022 with Trustee Shaffer, Trustee Nichols and Trustee Hochadel

Also in Attendance:

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

**PUBLIC SPEAKS:**

- Walt Pittman-3115 Dalemont Ave-Waco Homecoming

**FIRE:**

Fire Chief presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$28,388.52=Ambulance Billing, \$90.00=CPR, \$50.00=Fire Prevention and \$280.00=Misc. Income/Dept Donations for total receipts of \$28,808.52. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Hochadel and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the swearing in of David Hess from part time to a full-time Firefighter/Medic with a salary of \$45,048.87 per year and hourly rate of \$17.10 and all other benefits according to Union Contract with probationary period of one year beginning with full time start date of May 8, 2022. Pending passing of physical and psychological evaluation Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to hire Noah Denzer as a Part-time Firefighter/Medic @ the rate of \$14.25/hour and all other benefits according to the Township handbook pending passing of physical and background check. Start date of to be announced with a probationary period of six months. Motion seconded by Mr. Hochadel and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to acknowledge receipt of resignation letters in form but not substance from Donald Agnew effective date of May 7, 2022. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 1 BC & 3 PO's:

BC:

Misc. Maintenance and Expenses= \$20,000.00

PO:

Amazon = \$5,000.00

Stark County Treasurer/Dispatching= \$50,000.00

Atlantic Emergency Solutions= \$7,256.37

Motion seconded by Mr. Hochadel. Fiscal Officer's certification that funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to move into Executive Session at 6:47 p.m. with Trustees, Assistant Fire Chief, Rick Morabito, Fire Chief Chris Smith, Fiscal Officer and Attorney Eric Williams to consider compensation of a public employee per Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1).

Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Shaffer YES

Mr. Nichols YES

Mr. Hochadel YES

Mr. Nichols made a motion to move out of Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Shaffer YES

Mr. Nichols YES

Mr. Hochadel YES

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the memorandum of understanding with Local 3676 pertaining to CBA which includes a one time 3% pay adjustment to be effective on May 8, 2022 one time non-negotiable with all other agreements in tact and this MOU should not be used for any future contract negotiations and will be voided on April 1, 2023. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Shaffer YES

Mr. Nichols YES

Mr. Hochadel YES

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the adjustment for Fire administrative office and non-union employees wage increase of 3% pay adjustment to be effective on May 8, 2022. Motion seconded by Mr. Hochadel and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Shaffer YES  
Mr. Nichols YES  
Mr. Hochadel YES

### **COMMUNITY CENTER:**

Fire Chief presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$310.00. Mr. Shaffer made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Shaffer acknowledged receipt of the Community Center activity calendar/log from April 17<sup>th</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup> 2022. Motion second by Mr. Hochadel and voting YES- Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

### **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/ ROAD:**

Public Works Director presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$2,746.80= Canton Local Salt Reimbursement, and \$790.20= Culvert/Apron for total receipts of \$3,537.00. Mr. Hochadel made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the Public Works Department to assist with Mr. Noll's 8th grade class service project of picking up trash along 1 or 2 Township maintained roads on May 12th or 13th, 2022. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to Approve the Public Works Director to purchase materials to replace existing flags and extend the flags on Cleveland Ave at a cost not to exceed \$3,730.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the Public Works Director to sign the Crack Seal Proposal dated April 1st, 2022 from Strawser Construction Inc. for the crack sealing of various Township roads for the amount of \$24,276.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

### **FYI:**

- Public Works interviews are scheduled for Thursday, May 5th
- Street banner Program
- Draft of the 2021 Public Works Year End Report
- Hillcrest Cemetery
- Paving and Chip Seal Bid Opening on May 10th @ 1:00pm
- Monthly Report

**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/ PARK:**

The Public Works Director presented park rental receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$395.00 for total receipts of \$395.00. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Hochadel and voting YES- Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Hochadel and Mr. Nichols.

The Public Works Director presented Community Day Donation receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$4,200.00 for total receipts of \$4,200.00. Mr. Hochadel made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES- Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Hochadel and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the Public Works Director to sign change order #002 dated April 21st, 2022 for unused construction allowances in the amount of \$9,698.59. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Hochadel made a motion to approve the Public Works Director to sign the Countertop Proposal from CCI Construction dated April 12th, 2022 for the materials and labor to install a countertop at a cost not to exceed \$8,175.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve to waiving of the park rental fees-for the family of Dave Robertson for the use of the Faircrest park pavilions on Saturday, May 21st 2022 for the celebration of life of David Robertson and include name on digital sign at Faircrest Park. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel

**FYI:**

- Construction Update (Toilet Flush valves)
- Canton Township Park Bench Dedication Program Draft
- Canton Township Park General Donation
- Canton Township Park Project Donation
- Canton Township Tree Donation Program Draft
- Community Day Donation tracker

➤ Monthly Report

**ZONING:**

Zoning Director presented zoning permit receipts for two weeks in the total amount of \$516.00. Mr. Shaffer made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to authorize the Board to declare the following properties as nuisances as deemed by the Zoning Director, and order them abated per Ohio Revised Code 505.173 and/or 505.86 and/or 505.87 and the Canton Township Property Maintenance Code, seconded by Mr. Hochadel and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

Deborah Bowling	1305152	4801 Cleveland Ave SW	Trash/ Debris
Douglas Bowling	1308998	2202 Millerton St SE	Trash/ Debris
David Hart	1313128	2915 Lincoln St E	Trash/ Debris
Eldon Unklesbay	1312457	839 Hollywood Ave NE	Unlicensed Junk Vehicles
Cynthia Serafini	1308942	1530 33rd St SW	Trash/ Debris/ Unlic. Junk Vehicles

Mr. Hochadel made a motion Board to approve Zoning Director recommendation of clean-up plan for specific properties previously deemed a nuisance and ordered abated. The proposed properties for immediate clean- up as listed:

- 2918- 25th St SE (Exhibit A)
- 4707 Cleveland Ave SW (Exhibit B)

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

**FYI:**

- Nuisance list

**FISCAL OFFICER:**

Fiscal Officer presented bills in the amount of \$52,302.01 and payroll/PERS/Police and Fire in the amount of \$117,995.62 for total checks in the amount of \$170,297.63. Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the checks as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Hochadel and voting YES – Mr. Hochadel, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Shaffer abstaining from check # 27674, 27605 and 27606. Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve Department Heads’ submissions for requests for vacation, compensatory time, and overtime. Motion seconded by Mr. Hochadel and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Shaffer, and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Hochadel made a motion to approve the March, 2022 Bank Reconciliation. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Shaffer, and Mr. Hochadel.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve 3 PO's:

PO:

Companion Life = \$1,000.00 (Road Life Insurance)

Law Office of Eric Williams= \$10,000.00

Jill Miller= \$100.00

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

**FYI:**

- 1st Half Taxes
- SLFRP/ARPA report submitted
- Active shooter training May 13, 3-5PM
- KnowBE4 update
- 2022 Census of Governments, Survey of Public Employment & Payroll completed

**TRUSTEES:**

**MR. SHAFFER**

Mr. Nichols made a motion to move into Executive Session at 9:24 p.m. with Trustees and Fiscal Officer to consider compensation of a public employee per Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1). Motion seconded by Mr. Hochadel.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Shaffer YES  
Mr. Nichols YES  
Mr. Hochadel YES

Mr. Nichols made a motion to move out of Executive Session at 9:54 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Hochadel.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Shaffer YES  
Mr. Nichols YES  
Mr. Hochadel YES

Mr. Nichols made a motion to hold a Special Meeting on Monday, May 16, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. at the Canton Township Administration Building. The purpose is to move into Execution Session, under ORC 121.22G(1), to discuss the employment of a public employee. 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. Hochadel.

**ADJOURN:**

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Nichols made a motion to adjourn at 9:59p.m., seconded by Mr. Hochadel and voting YES- Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Hochadel.

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John Ring, Fiscal Officer

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Mark R. Shaffer, President

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Christopher B. Nichols, Vice President

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Keith J. Hochadel, Member