

# REILY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

May 3, 2023

**7:00 PM** Meeting called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees present: Dennis Conrad, Nick Schwab, Tim Miller.

## MOTIONS

**MINUTES:** Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of April 19, 2023 Seconded by Mr. Schwab, Motion carried.

**PURCHASE ORDERS:** Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Schwab to approve the Purchase Orders as presented. Motion carried.

**WARRANTS:** Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Schwab to approve payment of Warrants (25538 - 25561) totaling \$18,168.30. Motion carried.

Guests:

- Rebecca Howard, Talawanda Board of Education, congratulated the Fire Department, on 2023, Ohio Fire Department of the year. Ms. Howard notated that she spoke to Mr. Conrad about hosting a community forum at the Reily Township Community Center. Rebecca notated the Talawanda School Board needs to be available in the Townships, on a personal level and mentioned that she brought this up at a School Board meeting. She mentioned that she felt the Community Meetings at Elementary Schools, about Grade banding went well.

- Rebecca mentioned that she is the Treasurer for the Oxford Literacy Team and notated that enrollment was low last year, and hopes for better enrollment this year.

- Literacy Team, shifting, program, for 2023 to 5 mornings in 1 week.

- Dates for – week of June 19 – 23 9 am – 11:45 am,

- Ms. Howard addressed the concern from a grand - parent last about security, and locking the entrance doors.

- Mr. Conrad, notated about locking the doors at 9:15 am.

- Marcia Schlichter, mentioned, the Reily Good Neighbor's, may be able to help with monitoring the front door.

**FIRE REPORT OF April 19, 2023:** Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Schwab, to accept the Fire Report for April 19, 2023. Mr. Conrad abstained. Motion carried.

## ZONING:

Emerson Adkins, Zoning Meeting, next Wednesday working on Solar.

Resident on Reily Millville, applied about a year ago to construct a pole barn. Resident, reached out again to Zoning Commission to get a permit. Resident was getting run around, from new staff at the county. Mr. Conrad and Mr. Adkins reached out to Zeb Acuff, and got the matter resolved for the Reily Township resident.

**ROAD REPORT:** Jeremy Sears reported the following:

- Community Center Rentals, are currently in busy season and booked every weekend

- 6 of 7 culverts replaced on Hart, 18” to 30”, Lean fill is working well

Mowed St. Charles & Walker, grass over a foot tall, working on 2<sup>nd</sup> round of mowing

Complaint at 4800 Stahlheber, hole, on side of road, 4 5 gallon, buckets of gravel to fill Temporary fix,

- most likely going to have to replace culvert this fall

- Lifeline screening on 4/27/23

- took boom mower, to Zimmer Tractor, Brookville, IN

- Electrical testing for drawn down. Ran electrical test on tractor, and no drawn down,

Mechanic discovered connection on back, that gives, Alamo mower power. That two of the wires, were crossed, on Alamo Connection.

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Road report continued;

- Switched two wires, and electrical drawn down issue solved. Zimmer Tractor, was not able to cover under warranty with New Holland. Alamo, stated not their problem, and Scott Runnel, with South Eastern equipment stated that tractor & mower, was all together when delivered to them.
- Haven't had a chance to order transit, borrowing from Morgan Township
- New hand tools, special on rakes & shovels. Tools staying with new hot box.
- Thank you to Marcia Schlichter for, pulling weeds and painting fire truck in playground.
- Ordered shirts for Township Employees, from Gotcha covered and had them in 24 hour -turn around.
- Rented 8" auger from Baker Hardware, was having issues with hitting rocks, Mr. Conrad, brought over his tractor, with auger and augured holes to for bench installation and install weed barrier fabric and gravel after installing benches
- Discussed possibility of placing dumpster on North end comm. Ctr, for rentals to take their own trash out.
- Received a call other day, from resident at the dead end of Indian Creek, heavy water flow after rain, washed rocks down, natural flow, out of right of way. Upset with Brush, tree trimmers, left, we removed brush for the resident

4/24/23 – Finished mowing Community Center field, mowed, St. Charles & Walker Cemeteries, Woods Station field and Station 2

4/25 – Cleaned Community Center from weekend rental, removed & installed 18" culvert on Hart Rd, and added soil and rip rap on inlet / outlet

4/26 – Resident called about hole on side of road, near 4800 Stahlheber, filled hole with 4 - 5 gallon buckets of gravel, believe the concrete box culvert is bad, left message for Scott Bressler at BCEO, removed / installed 18" culvert on Hart rd

4/27 – Unlocked Community Ctr. For Life-Line Screening, paved two culverts on Hart rd, ditched, dirt work / rip rap inlets & outlets

4/28 – Picked up Boom Mower from Zimmer Tractor, Brookville, IN, cleaned Community Center from Life – Line Screening, put together 3 benches, and picked up black top chunks from Hart

5/1 – Picked up Mini – Excavator from Hart Rd, filled potholes on Nichols Rd, purchased hand tools for Hotbox,

5/2 – Maintenance on zero turn mowers, (greased, cleaned mower decks, and sharpened blades, mowed, shop area, community center, historical house, station 1, put last bench together and welded 12" extension on benches, met with resident at dead end of Indian Creek

5/3 – Finished installing extensions on benches, holes augured for two benches, Dennis / Dave mowed Reily Cemetery, picked up two new, tires for zero turn, Scag 1

**ROAD:** Mr. Miller made a motion to accept the Road Report, seconded by Mr. Schwab Motion carried.

**FIRE REPORT:** 16 runs, 7 mutual aid since last meeting. Chief Conrad reported,

5/15 – Annual touch a truck, at Marshall School,

5/13 – Open House at Community Center, last Wednesday 4/26/23. 7 Reily Fire department members travelled to Columbus to received Fire Department of the year award. Lt. Gov. John Husted and State Fire Marshall Kevin Reardon presented the Fire Department of the Year Award to Reily Volunteer Fire Department & EMS. The Fire Department has received, proclamations from; Ohio State House & Senate, Congressman Warren Davidson, BC County Commissioners, Sheriff Richard Jones and DAR – Daughters of the American Revolution.

Phone call from BC Fair Office, requesting fire department to have display at BC Fair on, 7/23/23, with grain bin, & large animal rescue

Mr. Schwab, notated, transporting a patient to the hospital who congratulated him on the Fire Department of the Year Award, even though the patient was in considerable pain.

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Fire Report Continued;

- Mr. Conrad, notated a that the fire department has received a lot of attention throughout state.
  - Mr. Conrad, also notated some highlights from the 2023 Awards Ceremony.
  - Licking County Honor Guard and Columbus (bag) Pipes & Drums presented the colors
  - Orville Buehrer, received an award for over 71 years of service
  - Neighboring Colerain Twp. FD, received two awards, for valor.
  - Mr. Schwab notated, Brian Baldrige - Director of Agriculture, who was former Township Trustee, and Fairfield Fire Chief Tim Thomas, were in attendance and personally congratulated Reily Township.
  - Mr. Conrad notated, that the State Fire Marshal and EMS Director, that 70% of the fire departments in Ohio are volunteer.
  - Mr. Conrad, also notated, that the State Fire Marshal, complimented Reily Fire Department on the number of; and retention of volunteers. Mr. Conrad, stated, that volunteers can run as EMS, Fire, or both.
- Mr. Schwab notated that the Chief makes a difference.

Mr. Miller moved seconded by Mr. Schwab, to accept fire report.

Motion Carries, Mr. Conrad abstained

### OLD BUSINESS

#### DR. HEIDI MCKEE -

Will provide an overview and update at the 5/17/23 meeting.

**ENERGY ALLIANCE** – Mr. Conrad, moved, seconded by Mr. Miller, to go with contract that has been used by other municipalities and townships.

Motions carries,

**PERRY THACKER** – Mr. Schwab moved, seconded by Mr. Miller, to place a plaque / sign, on the back of the main ball diamond to honor Scott Breeden.

Motion carries,

#### DUNWOODY EAST- update,

Received, an approved, Resolution from the County Commissions, adopting the Resolution. Two items, not confirmed with Commissioner office, 1) where hearing will be held 2. Whom is notifying adjoining property owners

Mr. Tilford will follow up with BCEO and BC County and provide update at next meeting.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### **Chad Smith – Deputy Director, Metro Parks**

Shared the following information;

- county wide, 5,000 acres, 13 parks,  
Indian Creek, park planner, Vision Plan, 2021, key features, (aspirational) to implement improvements, Key feature, bridge, upper & lower, replace bridge, Land Conservations for grant, in 2023 there were, 48 applications, 8 approved, \$621,000, cost assessment for bridge, Metro parks, requested a little over \$400,000. Notified in April 2023, that they were not awarded grant. Will be applying for grant on next go around.

- excited about the interest in the park and bridge project.
- Mr. Conrad notated, closed off, road at end of Springfield side of park, need for access for emergency.
- Pioneer Church, Thomas farm area, clear Honey Suckle and return to Prairie.
- Mr. Schwab notated, that the Honey Suckle that was overgrown by the creek has been removed.

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**Chad Smith – Deputy Director, Metro Parks – Continued;**

- Governor Bebb park, new bridge crosses dry fork creek, and creation of new trail,
- Mr. Smith received question from Rebecca Howard, if the park road that runs parallel to 732 is still open and accessible?

Mr. Smith wasn't sure, about the accessibility or if the road is open.

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**May 13, 2023** – Mr. Schwab, moved, seconded by Mr. Miller, in conjunction with Reily Good Neighbors, Trustees and Fire Department, to hold a community day to honor the Fire Department's 2023 Fire Department of the Year award and celebrate the community.

Motion carries

**BWC – Sedgwick** – Mr. Miller moved, seconded, by Mr. Schwab, to stay with Sedgwick as BWC - MCO

**Ball Contract** – Mr. Conrad notated, that he spoke with Brody Ruihley, about contract and insurance for ball league.

Mr. Schwab moved, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve and accept the ball contract with Oxford, Little League.

Motions carries,

Mr. Tilford, notated that he had contacted and received insurance coverage on, the Hot Box and Welder. He also, provided upcoming meeting notices for; TID, BCEO Paving Progress and BCTA Meeting.

Correspondence; Thank you card from the Oxford Literacy Team.

8:35 PM, with no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Miller moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Schwab, Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.

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**Ronald Tilford, Fiscal Officer**

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**Dennis H. Conrad Jr., Chair**

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**C. Nicholas Schwab, V. Chair**

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**Timothy E. Miller, Trustee**