

Monroe Township Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2021

6:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Forder at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Ms. Jowers-present, Mr. Peck-present, Mr. Forder-present, Ms. Forder-present

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Guest Speakers:

Simon Groner from the Starlite Drive-In. Mr. Groner is reporting back on the changes he has made since the last meeting he attended in August. Mr. Groner met with sound engineers again and has purchased an item to reduce power of the speakers. He invited the Monroe Township Board of Trustee to come to the Drive-In and check the sound at his location and also Rolling Acres and Hillcrest. They will schedule a time and date.

Jeff Groner from the Starlite Drive-In. The echo has been turned down and they cannot find any definitions for the area for sound limit.

Andrew Stober-Resident: Mr. Stober expressed his concern with the noise from the Starlite Drive-In. He said the problem for him started in April or May of 2021. Mr. Stober said this is when the speaker system was changed. He can hear everything on Hillcrest and Rolling Acres.

Township Business:

Deputy Tyler Kramer:

Deputy Kramer has served 12 years in law enforcement and 8 years with Clermont County Sheriff Department. He is replacing Deputy Goins.

For the month of October Monroe Township generated 59 offense reports and 68 incident reports.

Motion# 194-2021 was made by Mr. Peck to purchase a camera from Amazon in the amount of \$192.99 for Deputy Kramer to use on duty. Ms. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Fiscal Officer-Candace Forder

Motion# 195-2021 was made by Ms. Jowers to approve the Monroe Township Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes as presented for October 26, 2021. Mr. Peck 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Ms. Forder informed the Monroe Township Board of Trustees the CCTA Christmas party will be December 5, 2021 at Legendary Run Golf Course with a cost of \$29.00 per person.

Ms. Forder received an email from ProAir with the Air Quality Analysis Report for Station 33.

Motion# 196-2021 was made by Mr. Peck to enter into Executive Session per ORC 121 (G) (2) sale of property. Ms. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Entered into Executive Session at 7:06 p.m.

Returned to regular session at 7:15 p.m.

Roll Call: Ms. Jowers-present, Mr. Peck-present, Mr. Forder-present, Ms. Forder-present

No action taken.

Zoning-Mark Jaehnen

7 permits were issued in the month of October. There are 2 new violation locations on US 52. 3 out of the 7 problem areas have complied. The construction has started on the condos located on SR 125.

Cemeteries-Jerry Cramer

2 graves sold and 3 graves marked for burial for the month of October.

Motion# 197-2021 was made by Ms. Jowers to make repair at the Presbyterian Cemetery to Youngs footer and headstone and also at Laurel Carmel replace footer and reset Painters in the amount of 785.60. Ms. Peck 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Maintenance-Greg Schrichten

Maintenance has been working on Dry Run Road.

Fire/EMS Chief Steve Downey

114 runs for the month of October. 1186 runs year to date. This is the fifth year in a row runs have increased.

Scheduling is still a problem. In October there were 136 hours that had to be mandated.

Monroe Township Fire/EMS and New Richmond are the lowest paid in Clermont County, and the department is losing employees due to this. Monroe Township is currently paying Firefighter/Medic at 15.50 per hour. The Township needs to be at 20.50 per hour. With the current revenue amount this is very difficult to do. Discussion on renewing the 2003 tax levy to make this happen.

The Township Christmas party will be December 11, 2021 at Emmett Ridge Farm.

Motion# 198-2021 was made by Mr. Peck to pay the balance of \$1000.00 for Emmett Ridge Farm. Ms. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Mr. Forder and Chief Downey have set the date for Rumble in the Park and Safety Days for the same date being September 27, 2022.

Motion# 199-2021 was made by Mr. Peck to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes, Mr. Forder-yes

Meeting adjourned at 7:43.

Minutes taken by Candace Forder

Ms. Jowers _____

Mr. Peck _____

Mr. Forder _____