



**Regular Public Meeting of the Goshen Township
Board of Trustees
Minutes
December 3, 2003**

The Regular Public Meeting of the Goshen Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call – Ed Soergel – present, Lee Lewis – present, Tim Hodges- present

***Lee Lewis made motion and Tim Hodges seconded the approval of minutes from previous meetings on November 5, 12 and 20, 2003. Motion carried.

***Tim Hodges made the motion to pay bills and transfer funds to cover expenses as per attached. Lee Lewis seconded. Motion carried.

Oberer Development made a presentation to the Board to request a resolution of support for tax credit. The first phase of the project would be eight buildings with 8 units to a building with primarily 1, 2 and 3 bedroom units. The rent range would be \$356 to \$665 and there would be an income stipulation not to exceed \$38,850. Tim Hodges made a motion to accept the resolution and take the matter under advisement. There was no second for this motion. The motion died.

Communications / Announcements

A driveway was built by ODOT from the Firehouse to Goshen Road. A “Thank you” letter will be sent to Dave Ingram for his help in building the driveway for the Fire Department. The funding for the driveway came from the SR 28 turn lane project. Two signs will be needed that say “Emergency Vehicles Only”.

Jerry Wyatt of the Ohio Horsemen Council was present in support of the Horse Trail Petitions circulated for Stonelick Lake State Park.

An announcement was made for an Agricultural Law Conference to be held on January 12, 2004 in Waynesville, Ohio.

*** Tim Hodges made a motion that Sandy Graham and Tim Hodges will attend the meeting. Admission cost is \$30.00 each. Lee Lewis seconded. Motion carried.

An acknowledgement was made that the Clermont Environmental Quarterly and The Clermont County Park District newsletters were received and are available for review.

A letter from Time Warner Cable was read in regards to a rate increase of \$2.00 per month and the addition of two new channels.

A letter was read from Stephanie Wyatt, a third grader from Spaulding Elementary, in regards to the Township’s consideration of a park for the community.

An announcement was made for Levi Wyatt, Boy Scout Troop #237. Levi is working on his Communications Badge.

• **Departmental Reports – November**

- Fire and EMS – Virgil Murphy
- Police – Ray Snyder
- Service Department – Bill E. Smith
- Zoning – Deanna Mengle

• **Old Business**

- Corporate Limit Signs – will be brought up at the ODOT meeting.
- Fay Road ditching project – Randy Gobel will get back with Ray Snyder about options for project. Item tabled.

- Salute to Leaders nominations - *** Ed Soergel made a motion to nominate the Goshen Garden Club for their continued service to the community. Lee Lewis seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Purchase turnout gear – Fire/EMS \$86,000 - *** Ed Soergel made a motion to purchase the turnout gear from Warren Safety for \$86,000. Tim Hodges seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Adopt policy manual for Fire/EMS - *** Lee Lewis made a motion to adopt the policy manual. Tim Hodges seconded. Motion carried.
- **New Business**
 - Township Christmas Party – December 19, 11:30 – 2:30 – employee benefit - *** Ed Soergel made a motion to allow a \$200.00 budget for employee Christmas Party. Tim Hodges seconded. Motion carried.
 - Stella Drive speed limit – accept petition – request study - *** Lee Lewis motion made a motion to accept the petition. Tim Hodges seconded. Motion carried.
 - Road inventory Thursday, December 12 – 2:30 pm – Ed Soegel, Lee Lewis and Bill E. Smith will be present at the Road Inventory Meeting.
 - Set organizational meeting – December 30, 9:00 am - ***Ed Soergel made a motion to set a Special Meeting for December 18, 2003 at 1:00 pm to discuss the architect, financing and construction manager for the Administration building and also an Organizational Meeting to discuss finalization of 2003 business for December 30, 2003. Lee Lewis seconded. Motion carried.
 - Hire three Firefighters/paramedics - *** Lee Lewis made a motion to accept the recommendation to hire three new Firefighters/paramedics, Christopher Johns, Danny Vanover and Mark Gerano at \$30,000 for one year effective December 3, 2003. Tim Hodges seconded. Motion carried.
 - Accept resignation of Sherry Ingram from the Zoning Commission - ***Ed Soergel made a motion to accept the resignation of Sherry Ingram from the Zoning Commission, effective January 1, 2004. Lee Lewis seconded. Motion carried.
 - Motion to accept Dental Care Plus for 2004 - *** Ed Soergel made a motion to accept the Dental Care Plus Contract for 2004 for the employee benefits package, effective January 1, 2004. Lee Lewis seconded. Motion carried.
- **Adjournment** – *** Ed Soergel made a motion to adjourn. Lee Lewis seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Trustee

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra Graham, Clerk