

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



## BROWN TOWNSHIP REGULAR SESSION

Held: September 20, 2021

The Brown Township Board of Trustees convened in regular session on Monday, September 20, 2021 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:44 p.m. in the second floor meeting room at 2491 Walker Rd Hilliard, Ohio 43026. Trustee Pamela Sayre called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Ms. Pamela Sayre	Present	Mr. Joseph Martin	Present
Mr. Gary Dever	Present	Ms. Becky Kent	Present

### Approval of Minutes

Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2021 Regular Session and August 30, 2021 Special Meeting. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

### Fiscal Actions

Bills were presented for payment. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the payment of bills. Trustee Dever seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

The Trustees previously reviewed the September 2021 payroll report. Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the payroll report. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

The Trustees previously reviewed the bank reconciliation and the supporting financial reports for the month of August 2021. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the bank reconciliation. Trustee Dever seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

### Sheriff's Report

Deputy Hamilton (Brown Township's Community Liaison) was present for the meeting. He provided a summary of Brown Township calls for August 2021.

### Norwich Fire Department Report

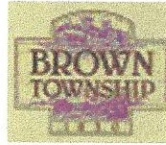
Fire Chief Baird was present. Fire and EMS runs have stayed steady. The staff has only been responding to about 4-5 COVID-19 calls per month even with the recent rise in numbers. Chief Baird discussed the future site of a new fire station (should the tax levy pass) south of the Agape church off of Alton Darby Road. They will install a sign on the property so residents know where it will be.

Fire Chief Baird presented a quote from Ross Roofing to install a power vent at Station 82 for improved airflow in the attic. Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the quote. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

### Audience Participation

Nathan Ralph from Franklin County Public Health and David Reutter from Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District were present for the meeting. They shared that the stormwater management permits are valid for 5 years now. Good Housekeeping videos are available on their website for virtual training. Their presence serves as Brown Township's update for the NPDES permit.

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Ernie Davis, Langton Road resident, brought to our attention trucks hauling dumpsters from 8200 Scioto Darby are travelling on Langton. It could be a business. Trustee Sayre will contact Matt Brown at Franklin County Zoning.

Mr. Davis also asked if he may put a snow fence up in front of the drain across from Langton to catch the corn debris before it gets clogged. He was given approval by the trustees. He also shared that the horse sign has fallen down and the litter sign is bent. Lastly, he asked for more patrolling on Langton because people have regularly been speeding.

### Newsletter

Fall newsletter articles include:

- Article about Heith Good
- Ditch petition article by County Engineer's office
- Questions for multi-use trail survey
- Public safety summary
- Open burning article by NTFD

Trustee Dever suggested a blurb warning residents not to pass snow plows especially on narrow roads like Morris Road and that the speed limit on unmarked county roads is 55.

### Old Business

#### Ohio Public Works Commission grant application

Fiscal Officer Kent shared that documentation for the OPWC grant has been submitted to Barb with the Franklin County Engineer's Office.

#### Working with MORPC on trail effort and trail survey

A trail survey will be in the Brown Township fall newsletter, and the results of that survey will determine how Brown Township will work with MORPC on the possibilities of trails in Brown Township.

#### Charter Communications

Trustee Sayre contacted Brian Young, Brown Township's representative with Charter Communications. He is pursuing an exemption for Brown Township with current grant money to improve broadband services because there are pockets of the township that are unserved with internet connections. This was done when Paxton Cable initially laid cable lines in the township many years ago.

### New Business

#### Township rental agreement

Fiscal Officer Kent shared the updated rental agreement by Julie Donnan to remove liability to the township by renters. Trustee Dever made a motion to accept the updated rental agreement. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

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Trustee Dever made a motion to reopen the Township Hall for rentals beginning October 1 with a soft opening – allowing rentals but not advertising that it is open. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

### Senate Bill 22

Trustee Sayre shared that SB22 has some unintended consequences, stripping authority from the Franklin County Board of Health to send notices for tall grass and noxious weeds.

### Resolution 4-2021

Fiscal Officer Kent presented Resolution 4-2021, accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission for 2022. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the resolution. Trustee Dever seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

### Resolution 5-2021

Fiscal Officer Kent presented Resolution 5-2021, amending the township's 2021 appropriation for the Cares Act funds to account for interest earned on the account. Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the resolution. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

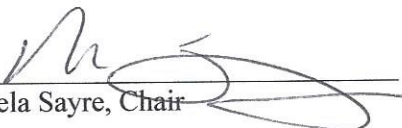
### Yoders Vinyl Fencing quote

Fiscal Officer Kent presented a quote from Yoders Vinyl Fencing to repair damage to the fence. Trustee Martin made a motion to accept the quote. Trustee Dever seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

Trustee Martin suggested revisiting the Brown Township comprehensive plan at the fall planning meeting, to discuss solidifying the requirement for buildings in the township to maintain a rural character.

### Adjournment

With no further business, Trustee Sayre asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Martin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Dever seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

  
Pamela Sayre, Chair

  
Becky Kent, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Trustees/ Fiscal Officer of Brown Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.