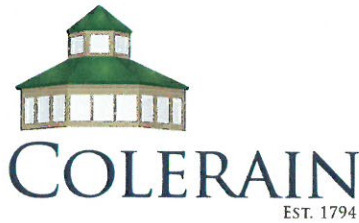


Minutes

June 9, 2020

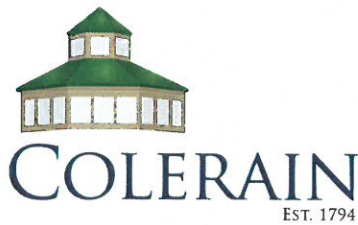
1. **Opening of Meeting**
Mr Unger called meeting to order at 7:01 PM
All were present
2. **Pledge of Allegiance 7:00 PM**
All recited the Pledge of Allegiance
3. **Meditation (Moment of Silence)**
4. **Fiscal Office – Approval of Minutes from May 26, 2020 and June 2, 2020**
Approval of 5-26-20 Special Meeting Minutes
Motion - Rajagopal, Seconded - Unger all voted yes
Approval of 5-26-20 Regular Meeting Minutes
Motion - Unger, Seconded - Wahlert all voted yes
5. **Presentations**
 - a. Retirement Proclamation – Firefighter Paramedic Matthew C. Drennan
Proclamation for retiring fire fighter paramedic Matthew C. Drennan
Motion - Mr Rajagopal, Seconded - Mr Unger. All voted yes
Mr Unger read the Proclamation
6. **Public Hearings**



a. Public Hearing for Sidewalk Maintenance Project - Phase I

Colerain Township's Sidewalk Maintenance Program has been created to repair and maintain Colerain Township's neighborhood sidewalks. Colerain Township is allowing property owners the choice to repair the side walks at their own accord with an approved permit, or allow Colerain Township to perform the repair work and assess the owner's property taxes over five years. The majority of the existing sidewalks located in Colerain Township were initially built during the same time the adjoining streets and homes were constructed. After several decades, these sidewalks require repair. There are two (2) areas that the program focuses on. They are located in the Northbrook and Groesbeck neighborhoods, approximately 1.5 miles apart. Both areas were chosen due to their proximity to crucial Township assets, including schools, libraries, and commercial destinations. The proposed public hearing is a requirement of ORC that must occur prior to the Township conducting repairs.

Mr Unger motioned to open meeting and public input, Seconded - Mr Rajagopal. All voted yes. Mr Barbieri swore in Mr Kreiger - has three points - 1. He was not told how to opt out of the work. His understanding is that he has to come to the Trustees regarding what he feels is a duplicate tax bill. On the list of People working cooperatively. 2. He is not the only one that thinks this is a burden. Would like to request a donation from Colerain to People working cooperatively. 3. How the cost is assigned. Especially for corner lots. Mr Wahlert motioned to close the hearing and public input, Seconded Mr Unger - all voted yes.



7. Citizens Address

Keith Miller - in person - Thinks sidewalks should be paid for by Duke. Thinks half of school money is sitting at Rumpke.

Via email

Carrie Davis - update regarding Lake Gloria - Colerain has not reached out to GCCG for grant requests - Family movie night - Covid - wants to know how Colerain will deal with Training regarding Black Lives Matter issues. Discussed issues with Colerain Police. Regarding the Sidewalk Maintenance Program - different information at hearings. Property is required to acquire permit.

Stephanie Wright - Why are we hiring Communication Service Co-op. How much money has been raised through "false alarms"?

8. Administrative Reports

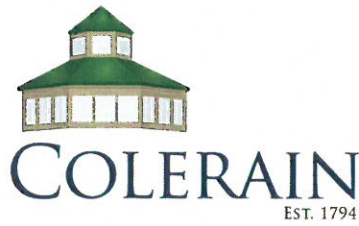
Chief Cook - May statistics -159 fire calls, Springfield Twp assistance 30 calls - \$25,000 fire loss. Response times 1st units 5:14 minutes

Chief Denney - 3053 service calls - 50 arrests, received notice the department received a \$33,000 Dept of Justice Covid Grant. Mr Unger commended Chief Denney on strategy the department has had during Covid crisis. Department has done a phenomenal job.

Mike Ionna - Banner year for permits, higher than 2008 at peak of housing boom. Zoning Commission hasn't seen as many cases but continue to see development discussions. Good sign for the future. Busy time for code enforcement, They are working very hard. Abatements are ongoing.

Jackie O'Connell - Park attendance is still way up. Shelters are still closed and bathrooms are closed. Playgrounds and basketball courts open tomorrow. Pot holes still top service requests. Veterans Day banner applications go live tomorrow. 50 spots available.

Geoff Milz - Appears curve has been flattened. Things are returning to normal. Senior center and shelters will soon open. Focus has shifted from recovery from Covid situation to figuring the rest of the Covid crisis. Personal responsibility is still needed. Mr Wahlert - letters to trustees are effective communication. Can we continue to communicate that way? Mr Milz - there are 2 forums. Citizen address (email can continue) and public hearings (email can not work for public hearings)



9. Trustees' Report

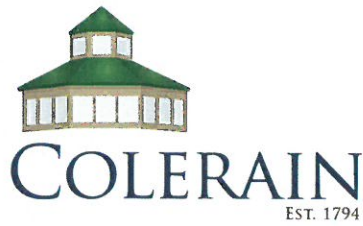
Mr Wahlert - Important to recognize what's going in society today. Watched the footage of Mr Floyd being in what he believes as murdered. Believes we often have a binary reactions. He believes you can be pro police and think that Mr Floyd was murdered. We need love and wisdom in the United States. We've had difficult times, but the vast majority of whites and blacks want to live together.

Mr Rajagopal - Sympathy to George Floyd and his family. We need unity. Drove around the last two weekends looking at businesses. Kept in contact with Chief Denney and Geoff Milz as to what can be done for help. People feel safe. They're going out to eat and shopping with their families. Admires the Police officers on patrol. They are vigorous. Also appreciates the fire department and all first responders for their work. Meeting this week with possible donor for fire station.

Mr Unger - Wants people to know that every department head has been told to look for alternative sources for funding. Whether it be sidewalks, fire stations etc. Has spent a lot of the last few months walking and sees the need for sidewalks. Fully supports donating to People Working Cooperatively. In regards to the sidewalks near the new Duke location. A grant through OKI was used for those sidewalks. Our goal is to make Colerain Township a better place to live. Asks fellow citizens to hang in there.

10. New Business

Public Safety



a. **Motion to Authorize Department of Fire & EMS Services Contract for Emergency Medical First Response**

Recommend adoption of a motion to approve the contractual agreement to provide emergency medical first response to the West College Hill neighborhood of Springfield Township.

The agreement between Springfield Township and Colerain Township is for the provision of first-responder emergency medical services into Springfield Township's West College Hill neighborhood from Fire Station 26 on West Galbraith Road for a trial period from June 1 – December 31, 2020. The department will be paid \$350.00 for each emergency medical first response incident into the West College Hill neighborhood.

Motion - Mr Unger, Seconded - Mr Wahlert

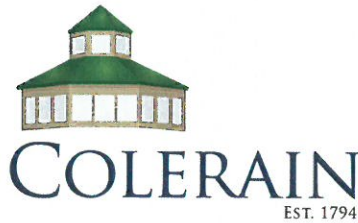
Discussion - Mr Wahlert - concerned that this involves station 26. Mr Rajagopal - Colerain is the finest department in the country. Happy to help Springfield Township, but the issue is, we have an obligation for the safety of Colerain residents. Agreement says Colerain must carry the insurance. Why doesn't Springfield Township carry the insurance? Chief Cook - this same topic came up with the Pleasant Run Farms agreement. We too are recipients of mutual aid from surrounding areas. The Aid we receive is critical. Mr Rajagopal - I support the mutual aid, but doesn't agree with the contract. Mr Milz - Insurance is already carried by Colerain so it would not be an additional cost. This agreement brings \$350 to Colerain and mutual aid agreement does not. They are looking for ways to generate revenue to offset levy needs. Mr Unger - every time we transport, we're leaving the township. Doesn't see insurance as a concern. Thinks we should try the 28 runs and see how it goes. The data would be valuable.

Mr Wahlert and Mr Rajagopal vote no, Mr Unger votes yes. Motion fails

Public Services

Planning & Zoning

COLERAIN



a. First Reading - Resolution Adopting the *Connect Colerain* Sidewalk Plan

In 1993 the Board of Trustees adopted a Sidewalk Plan for Colerain Township which stated that "Sidewalks should be installed on both sides of all public streets in Colerain Township prior to approval of any subdivision Record Plat." Per the plan and resolution, this requirement was to be enforced on all township, county, and state roads.

In 2006, the Board of Trustees supplemented and amended the Original 1993 Sidewalk Plan via Resolution 13-06 to allow a developer to make a request to the Board of Trustees with respect to a waiver or relief from the requirements of the Township's Sidewalk Plan that would be determined on a case by case basis. In 2016 the cost of a waiver was set at 75 dollars per lineal foot of road.

The goal of Connect Colerain, the proposed plan, is to establish and maintain a comprehensive and continuous

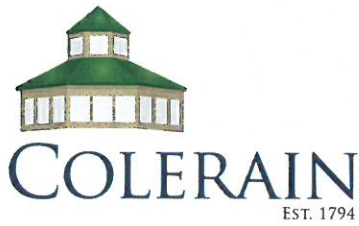
sidewalk system in Colerain Township that connects neighborhoods and destinations to one another. The vision the plan sets forth is a sidewalk system that provides both service and support to residents, visitors, workers, and businesses.

The proposed plan is the logical next step to creating a more comprehensive and holistic approach to sidewalk and pedestrian connectivity in Colerain Township. Whereas the current plan from 1993 and subsequent amendments is merely a few sentences that enable the requirement of sidewalk and establish a waiver process, the proposed plan provides a comprehensive vision for sidewalk throughout the Township. The components of the plan include:

- Inventory and analysis of the existing system
- Analysis of sidewalk maintenance across the region
- Impact of system gaps
- Public input
- Prioritization of new sidewalk connections
- Recommendations for maintenance and sidewalk design
- Implementation and funding for recommendations

A link to the full plan can be found here:

<https://cagisportal.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapJournal/index.html?appid=981a5107cebb4185a91f532c833052c>



b. Resolution #27-20 Declaring Nuisance and Ordering Abatement

This resolution allows for the removal of uncontrolled vegetation and/or refuse at the following properties:

2845 Brampton

3142 Deshler

10876 Gosling

3616 Hanley

8137 Hollybrook

2909 Jackfrost

6691 Memory

3483 Niagara

2517 Ontario

2526 Ontario

2807 Sheldon

2829 Wheatfield

Motion Mr Unger, Seconded - Mr Wahlert.

Vote - Mr Rajagopal - Yes, Mr Unger - Yes, Mr Wahlert - Yes

Administration

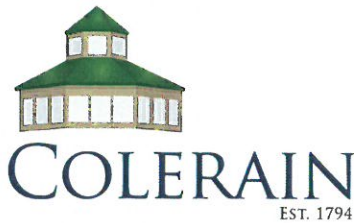
Motion to Authorize Township Administrator to Execute Letter of Arrangement with the

- a. Ohio Auditor of State for the Purpose of Conducting Audit Services for the Years 2018 and 2019 for a Fee not to Exceed \$20,000.

Recommend adoption of a motion to authorize the Township Administrator to enter into the enclosed Letter of Arrangement with the Ohio Auditor of State in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

Motion - Mr Wahlert, Seconded Mr Unger. All voted yes

COLERAIN



b. Motion to Set Public Hearing on June 23, 2020 - 2021 Tax Budget

Recommend adoption of a motion to set a Public Hearing on June 23, 2020 at 7PM for the 2021 Tax Budget.

Rationale:

In accordance with State Law, the Township Trustees must hold a public hearing prior to the final adoption of the 2021 Tax Budget. The 2021 Tax Budget is due to the County Auditor by July 20th, 2020.

Motion Mr Wahlert, Seconded - Mr Unger. All voted yes

c. Motion to Set Public Hearing on the Establishment of a TIF District on Parcel 0510-0062-0230 for July 14, 2020

Recommend adoption of a motion to set a public hearing on the establishment a TIF District on Parcel 0510-

0062-0230 at the regular Board of Trustee's Meeting on July 14, 2020 at 7pm.

Motion - Mr Wahlert, Seconded - Mr Unger. All voted yes

d. Motion to Authorize Township Administrator to Execute an Agreement with Anthem for Health Insurance for 2020-2021 Plan Year

Recommend adoption of a motion to Authorize the Township Administrator to Execute a Agreement with Anthem for Health Insurance for the 2020-2021 Plan Year.

Motion Mr Unger, Seconded Mr Rajagopal

Mr Unger and Mr Rajagopal vote yes. Mr Wahlert abstains

e. Motion to Dissolve the Comprehensive Land Use Committee

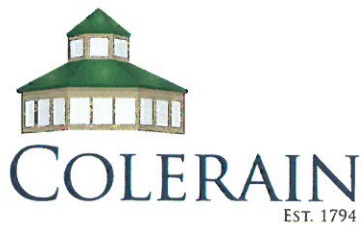
Motion Mr Unger, Seconded Mr Wahlert. All voted yes

Old Business

Consent Items

11.

12. a. Promotion - Lieutenant - Department of Fire & EMS



- b. New Hire - Full-Time Firefighter Paramedic - Department of Fire & EMS
- c. New Hire - Full Time Firefighter Paramedic - Department of Fire & EMS
- d. New Hire - Seasonal Hydrant Maintenance Worker - Department of Fire & EMS
- e. New Hire - Seasonal Maintenance Worker - Public Services
- f. New Hire - Seasonal Camp Counselor - Public Services
- g. Donation Acceptance - Police - \$100
- h. Donation Acceptance - Police - \$24.25
- i. Donation Acceptance - Police - \$200.00
- j. Donation Acceptance - Fire & EMS - \$1,000.00
- k. Contract with Hannah McKaig (Co-Op Student) for Communications Services

Motion to approve all consent items Mr Wahlert, Seconded Mr Rajagopal.

Discussion - Mr Wahlert thanks the donors. Mr Rajagopal - thanks the donors. Mr Unger is glad to have the camp counselor and asks that they be ready to go.

All voted yes. All consent items approved

13. Fiscal Office Report

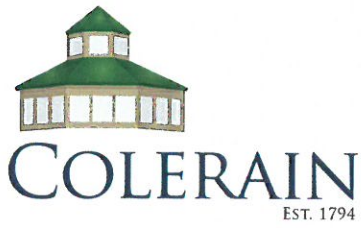
Update on Public Records:

112 record requests since April 1st. 62 requests fulfilled.

We will be working on generating a spreadsheet that will add the approximate cost of each request along with request number, name of requester, date of request and specific request.

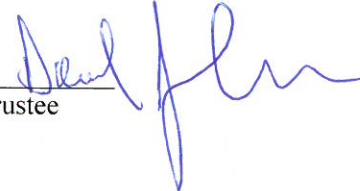
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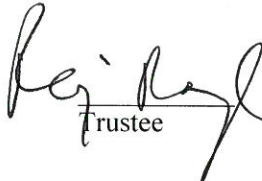
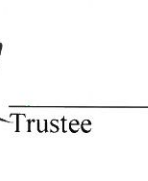
Motion - Wahlert, Seconded Unger All voted yes. Adjourned at 9:12 PM



15. **Executive Session – if needed**

No Executive Session needed.

 
Fiscal Officer Trustee

 
Trustee Trustee