

# *Athens Township, Athens County, Ohio*

Board of Trustees Organizational and Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2024  
5:30 PM at the Athens Township Hall, 313 W. Union Street, Athens, Ohio 45701

(\* Items requiring a vote)

- Call to Order
- Roll Call of Officers
- Organizational Meeting – Presiding officers and meeting dates
- Guests wishing to speak
- Bid opening – The Plains Community Park building renovations
- Approval of Minutes and Fund Account Balances
  - o Rescheduled Meeting of December 28, 2023\*

## **REGULAR BUSINESS**

- The Plains Volunteer Fire Department** - Dave Williams, Fire Chief
  - o Fire equipment levy expired, 2.5 mil – discussion to place on November 2024 ballot
  - o Volunteer firefighter add/drop/demotion/promotion/suspension/M&D Board actions
  - o Equipment repairs/condition - update
  - o Training scheduled/completed – update
  - o SFM reporting software - update
  - o Security system installation – approved up to \$10k – update
- The Plains Community Park** – Tami Dupler-Blake, The Plains Lions Club (TPLC) President
  - o The Plains Community Park - 2023 Final Rental Income & Operational Report
  - o MOU concerning TPIMF utility charges for vendors
  - o Building renovations
  - o Area light near accessory building
- Road Foreman’s report/comment/public road matters** - Jerrimy Marcum, Road Supervisor
  - o Road maintenance levy expired, 1.5 mil – discussion to place on November 2024 ballot
  - o Mileage Report/Road Inventory from ODOT via Athens County Engineer
  - o Lemaster Road - School bus stop ahead signage and annual inquiry to ACSD
  - o 8621 Haines Ridge Road tree trimming forwarded to AEP
  - o Repair of road surfaces from utility installation excavations/ACWSD
- Zoning Report**– Steve Pierson, Athens Township Trustee
  - o 2024 Right-of-Way permits issued (0)
  - o 2024 Letters of Zoning Clearance issued (1)
  - o 2024 Zoning Certificates filed (3), issued (2)
  - o 2024 Notice of Violation issued (1) Order to Comply issued (0) Forwarded to Prosecutor (0)
  - o Referred to Athens County Prosecutor
    - 25 Roy Avenue – accessory structure w/o permit on platted public alley
    - 37 High Street – accessory structure w/o permit on platted public alley
    - 29 N. Clinton Street – accessory use w/o principal use
  - o 5 Oak Street – awaiting ACCHD condemnation documentation
  - o 20 N. Clinton Street - discussion with Ohio Manufactured Homes Commission inspection
  - o 25 S. Clinton Street – Appalachian Family Health Center start of construction w/o permit

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Johnson Road meeting w/Commissioners - project scope and possible grant funding support
- Participation in a Council of Governments for trash/solid waste collection, recycling and composting
  - Athens-Hocking Solid Waste District meeting, Monday, January 8, 2024
- Dog Regulations –request for verification from the Athens County Commissioners
  - *Ohio Revised Code 955.221 (B) (2)*
- RVC architectural services for design of a 30’ x 80’ open storage shed
  - \$5k for architectural services, \$2k for reimbursable expenses, \$275.00 expedited application
  - City permit applications – zoning, floodplain, wellhead protection, storm water, land development
- 21 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Street – request to ACCHD for property evaluation per *ORC §505.86*
- Subdivision signage and speed limits
- OTA Winter Conference & Trade Show, February 7-9, 2024, Greater Columbus Convention Center
- Public meeting advertising per *ORC §121.22 (F)* for Trustees/Board of Zoning Appeals/Zoning Commission

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Resolutions requesting Athens County Auditor to prepare revenue certification for road maintenance and fire equipment levies for placement on November 2024 ballot
- Estimates for Township Hall computer upgrade – Wise Technologies

## **OFFICER’S REPORTS AND/OR ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

- Ted Linscott
- Brian Baker
- Steve Pierson
- Brenda Cox

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION** (if needed)

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, January 23, 2024, 5:30 PM, Athens Township Hall

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Anyone needing special accommodations in order to attend a meeting should contact  
Athens Township Trustee Steve Pierson at (740) 517-5467 or zoningathenstwp@gmail.com*