

Minutes of Westfield Township Meeting

October 2, 2023

The Board of Trustees met on this day in regular session with Dreyer, Barkley, Dickson and Bendle Present. Dreyer moved seconded by Barkley to approved the minutes of 9/11/2023 as read. Roll call on motion Barkley, Dreyer and Dickson- Yes. Dreyer moved seconded by Barkley to pay the bills. Roll call on motion- Dreyer, Barkley and Dickson - Yes.

Joel Staley, Jon Mason, Conni McChesney and Jim Jahn attended this meeting.

October Revenues	\$19,378.96
October Expenditures	\$11,963.05

Jon Mason Gave an update on the Water Treatment plant, permits to discharge into Alum Creek and ARPA money.

There is a round about that will be put in at St Rt 61 and St Rt 229 planned for 2025. There is a federal grant granted for North Chesterville to have climbing lanes for the Amish so they are able to move out of traffic. There is a solar farm coming into northern Morrow County. If anyone has any question the Morrow County Commissioners are here to answer questions. Jim Jahn came in to talk about tax collection, Tax lien sales and the Morrow County Land Bank. Conni McChesney was coming in to get ahead of the tax value increases that will be in place in the 2023 pay 2024 tax period. On average the increase is 39%. Auditors are working on legislation for Auditors to have more of a say in this process. One example is if you have a 70-year-old that has lived in their home for 10 years then the property tax will freeze.

The Trustees are still waiting for a response from the Morrow County engineer for the drainage issue on Oak St.

Dickson moved 2nd by Barkley to close the Marathon gas card. Roll call on motion Barkley, Dreyer and Dickson- Yes

Dickson will look into grant funding for an access to the Mound Cemetery.

Renergy update- Westfield Township retained an environmental attorney and he stated Renergy does not have the money to mitigate (to control air pollution within EPA standards) and they will be closing down in Bath Twp. facility. Litigation with the AG involving Westfield township is ongoing.

Barkley moved second by Dreyer to adjourn until the next meeting of 11/6/2023. Roll call on Motion- Dreyer and Barkley- Yes