

**COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**General Workshop of March 11, 2021**

The Coventry Township Board of Trustees met for a general workshop on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in an online, public forum via Zoom Meeting due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Chairman Jeff Houck called the meeting to order and asked Administrator, Anna Bryant to record the following Trustees present: George Beckham, yes; Edward Diebold, yes; and Jeff Houck, yes. All Trustees were recorded present.

Also in attendance were: Fiscal Officer, Lori Seeman; Fire Chief, John Dolensky; Road Superintendent, Lael Stouffer; and Zoning Inspector, Mike Harrison;

**Topics for Discussion:**

1. Permanent Appropriations – Brief discussion over General Fund contributions to the Road Department to cover the alternate bid for road resurfacing and also a new loader. Discussion over funds for the Community Center HVAC and the total estimated cost for the Administration/Fire/Town Hall parking lot.
2. Road Resurfacing and Alternates – Lael Stouffer explained the alternate and how the Township will be divided over the next four years. He thinks road funds can cover that, however expensive equipment costs will not be covered. George Beckham stated that it makes sense to do it right. Jeff Houck commented that he understands the plan and where we're headed.
3. Requests to vacate:
  - a. Onaway/Birdland (Hinton/Whisman) – brief discussion over a timeline to work out an agreement between neighbors, have it surveyed and then we will send it to the County.
  - b. Malley/Mong (Rogers/Pukas) – Anna Bryant advised that the petitions were sent to the two adjacent property owners, which the Board was copied on. She will advise if a petition is received.
4. 604 Pear – Status update – Mike Harrison explained that Mr. Sebe has done some clean-up and blocked the doors to keep people out. He currently has a contractor applying for the building permit, so it's trending in the right direction. George Beckham stated that Mr. Sebe is not a licensed contractor and he doesn't feel that the building really has been secured, however he's into giving him some more time. Edward Diebold stated that he hasn't purchased the property yet either.
5. Notifying the Board of significant events – Jeff Houck stated that we need to define circumstances and feel our way through. John Dolensky discussed options for notifying and when. He wanted to know what responses the Board wanted to know about and if they want to know in the middle of the night. George Beckham stated that significant fatalities like the accident that occurred on the ice, for example. All felt that text messages or emails would be sufficient and typically would be seen when waking up in the morning if they occur overnight.
6. Parks Improvements
  - a. Logan Fieldhouse project – Edward Diebold explained that he doesn't have any numbers yet. The building is shot and not worth putting money into a remodel like we originally thought. He mentioned the possibility of building in front of the old building so that it's not shut down during football or baseball season. It already has sewer and we can discuss the possibility of running water from the JEDD. This is going to cost a lot more than we had originally planned, so we need to look at some numbers and maybe consider doing this in phases.
  - b. E. Reservoir Dam – Edward Diebold explained that he'll be meeting with the architect to take measurements to get a cost estimate for the walkway. George Beckham stated that he wants to know if ODNR will be including the lot across the street before we commit to anything.


7. Disposition of Inventory – Community Center – George Beckham explained that there is a surplus of discarded equipment and old decorations in the basement of the Community Center that needs to be cleaned up. Some of the items can be scrapped or sold at auction. A lot of it is obsolete and can just be thrown away. Anna Bryant advised that there will be a motion on the regular agenda.

**Motion to Adjourn the Meeting:**

George Beckham made a motion to adjourn the general workshop. Jeff Houck seconded the motion. Roll call: George Beckham, yes; Edward Diebold, yes; and Jeff Houck, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

  
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Chairman

  
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Fiscal Officer