CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES LAKE COUNTY, OHIO REGULAR MEETING

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TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

Present on behalf of the Board of Trustees:

Morgan McIntosh, Chairman Carl Dondorfer, Vice Chairman Amy Lucci, Trustee

Also Present:

James Teknipp, Fiscal Officer
Andy Rose, Administrator
Keith Petersen, Esq., Legal Counsel
Chief Matt Sabo, Fire Department
Tim Brown, Service Director
Heather Freeman, Zoning Director
Sean Supler, Recreation Director
Sergeant Jerrold Infalvi, Sheriff's Office

7:30 p.m. 1 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Good evening. I would like to 2 call to order the April 5, 2023, Concord Township Board of 3 Trustee meeting to order. And the first order of business this evening is the Pledge of Allegiance. So in a second I 5 would ask you all to rise, but I would also like to extend an 6 invitation to our Boy Scouts who are here this evening, if 7 they would be interested in leading us in the Pledge of 8 Allegiance. 9 10 MR. WEIRICH: Sure. Why not? CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. Would everyone 11 please rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. 12 (Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, 13 led by Kelly and Kyle Weirich.) 14 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Okay. And, Mr. Teknipp, can I 15 have a roll call, please? 16 17 MR. TEKNIPP: Yes. Mrs. Lucci? 18 MS. LUCCI: Present. 19 MR. TEKNIPP: Mr. Dondorfer? 20 21 MR. DONDORFER: Present. 22 MR. TEKNIPP: Mr. McIntosh? 23 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Present. 24 And the next order of business tonight is 25 recognition letters for Eagle Scouts Kyle and Kelly Weirich 26 (Wer'rik). Weirich (Wer'rik)? 27 MR. ROSE: Weirich (Wi'rik). 28 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Weirich (Wi'rik), sorry. 29 that wrong every time. 30 And, Mr. Rose, I believe you are going to read our

proclamation to them.

MR. ROSE: I do.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you.

MR. ROSE: "Eagle Scout Kelly Joseph Weirich.

"It is with great pleasure that the Trustees of Concord Township extend their congratulations to Kelly Joseph Weirich for attainment of the very prestigious honor of Eagle Scout.

"It is impressive that you have chosen scouting from your youngest years as one of your primary guides towards character development. Anyone who has known a Scout understands the hard work and dedication that accompanies this achievement, which you have demonstrated not only by your Eagle Scout Project, but through the leadership positions you held such as Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Quartermaster, Chaplain and the many camps you have participated in.

"Your Eagle Scout project consisted of developing a detailed project plan, raising funds, obtaining donations, and constructing a Gaga ball pit at your former school, Melridge Elementary, in Concord Township. Your leadership and service was once again demonstrated as you spent the day reconnecting with former teachers and instructing elementary students on how to play the game and it was so well received the local newspaper covered the story.

"Congratulations on becoming an Eagle Scout. We wish you the best and look forward to watching you grow as a future community leader.

"Sincerely, The Concord Township Board of Trustees."
CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: You'll just read both?

 $$\operatorname{MR.}$$ ROSE: Yes, I'll read both and then we can bring them up.

A familiar name. "Eagle Scout Kyle Christian Weirich.

"It is with great pleasure that the Trustees of Concord Township extend their congratulations to Kyle Christian Weirich for attainment of the very prestigious honor of Eagle Scout.

"It is impressive that you have chosen scouting from your youngest years as one of your primary guides towards character development. Anyone who has known a Scout understands the hard work and dedication that accompanies this achievement, which you have demonstrated not only by your Eagle Scout Project, but also through valuable leadership skills gained through teamwork in the many camps attended and positions held, such as Quartermaster, Patrol Leader and numerous community service positions.

"Your Eagle Scout project consisting of developing a detailed project plan, raising money, helping to obtain donations and organize volunteers to rebuild bleachers at your former school, LaMuth Middle School, in Concord Township, will be enjoyed by all in the years to come.

"Congratulations on becoming an Eagle Scout. We wish you the best and look forward to watching you grow as a future community leader.

"Sincerely, The Concord Township Board of Trustees."

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you. Before we have the young men up, is there any additional words?

MR. DONDORFER: Well, yeah, I think this is -- MR. ROSE: A former Eagle Scout.

MR. DONDORFER: Yeah, as an Eagle Scout myself, I understand the amount of time and commitment and dedication it really requires to become an Eagle Scout and achieve that rank, and to have two brothers that achieve it at the same time is a unique situation. I think it's a testament to both of you.

I know that, in my years of public service that I am going on 31 years, I always look back to my time in scouting and it really prepared me, it helped to develop my character and advance my leadership ability, and you're setting yourself up for success. So we appreciate your commitment to scouting and we're happy to have you here in Concord Township. So thank you.

MS. LUCCI: And I would like to add, parents, very well done.

And, yes, you are on the road to a successful life with your leadership, your dedication at such an early age.

It's very highly commendable. Congratulations.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Yeah. I'd just like to say congratulations as well. While I had a different experience with scouting but it brought a lot of maturity and leadership, like Mr. Dondorfer said, and it's very commendable, very moving to hear the projects you did here in your own community. It's fantastic, really something to be proud of, and we look forward to seeing how you gentlemen grow as young men and into adulthood here. So congratulations, again.

With that, we will have you guys both come up.

MR. TEKNIPP: I had one comment, too.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Sorry.

MR. TEKNIPP: I just wanted to mention,

congratulations. My father was an Eagle Scout from the late 1920s, going into '30s, and he just passed away last year. He is a Concord Township resident and a very successful person, too. So I wish you both the best of success in the future, too. Great job.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you.

(Whereupon, the proclamations were presented, pictures were taken, and there was a brief break while some folks left the meeting.)

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All right. And with that, moving on to the next agenda item is approval of the minutes from last month's second meeting.

MS. LUCCI: Mr. Chairman, I move that we approve the March 15, 2023, regular trustees meeting minutes.

MR. DONDORFER: And I will second.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All in favor?

(Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And none opposed.

Elected Officials Report, Mr. Teknipp.

MR. TEKNIPP: Yes, good evening. Thank you, Morgan. I can't believe how quickly the first quarter of the year has gone. All the expenses are in for the first quarter and we're pretty much on target at 25 percent of the year complete when it comes to the expenses. Revenues are also tracking as expected for the first quarter of the year.

We did receive our first half property tax real estate collections and those were slightly above what we expected. The main reason for that would probably be people paying their property taxes in full for the year. So, but we're on target for that. I was glad to see that.

And all funds that we have is over 13 million, so we're holding our fund balances where we need to have them. And the General Fund is 784,000 at the end of the first quarter. Again, that would include the property tax collections. So we still have a good amount of fund balances in those accounts.

And, finally, I would like to wish everybody a happy Easter for this weekend. This concludes my report.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you.

Trustees, Mrs. Lucci.

MS. LUCCI: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I would like to acknowledge my peers for some recent accomplishments.

Mr. McIntosh just recently finished your grand jury foreman stint. You also spoke for Eastern Lake County Chamber regarding what's going on in Concord. And I heard you on NPR radio, which you actually killed, a great conversation talking about our lovely township.

MR. DONDORFER: Yes, nice job.

MS. LUCCI: So nice job.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you.

 $\,$ MS. LUCCI: Mr. Dondorfer, your recent appointment to the ADAMHS board, way to go.

MR. DONDORFER: Thank you.

MS. LUCCI: It just shows your full circle commitment to the county, to Concord, and just being an all-around great citizen. So thank you.

And, Mr. Rose, your recent appointment as Leadership Lake County board.

MR. ROSE: Thank you.

MS. LUCCI: So I am just so proud of this group I am

with and I just kind of wanted to bring everybody out, let everybody know what great leaders we have in Concord Township.

I also want to thank Sean and your group, the Rec Department, for a great turnout at the Easter Egg Hunt. The weather held out. So great job. We look forward to more great events this coming year.

And I was very pleasantly surprised in the e-Grapevine when I saw the pictures of the old fire stations. And it is the 75th anniversary of our fire stations this year, so I just thought it was cool seeing all those old pictures. And I was very lucky to have a tour by Chief of the fire station, so I got to see how things are coming along, and they are coming along. It is pretty miraculous what's going on over there.

We did have some new donations to the Stone, the Schoolhouse, some trunks from the 1700s Mr. Maxson showed us, which was pretty nice.

I do want to say congratulations, again, to our newest Eagle Scouts, Kyle and Kelly.

We had a staff meeting on Monday. We did meet with our owner's rep for the fire station with an update. I did have an OTA leadership training this month which was on strategic planning for townships. We met with some residents today in our office hours to discuss some possible additions to our pickleball court, so we'll be looking more into that. And I also hope everyone has a nice Easter weekend, and that concludes my report.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Mrs. Lucci.

Mr. Dondorfer.

MR. DONDORFER: Thank you, Mr. McIntosh. Yeah, like

Mrs. Lucci stated, we met with our owner's rep regarding the fire station project. That's moving along. We have had some challenges but it's progressing and it's nice to see that building coming together over there. It's a great addition to Concord Township.

I did get an appointment to Lake County ADAMHS board. You know, and in my 30 years of public service, I have never seen so many challenges that now, as far as our first responders, you know, possibly needing assistance regarding, you know, what they go through in their careers. So I am happy to serve in that regard to hopefully, hopefully share some insight and some planning and development in different programs that are available. I know that we used them on a couple critical incidents that I was involved in with some critical response teams. That was very beneficial for first responders. So I am happy to serve in that regard with the ADAMHS board.

I did have a call from a resident regarding some trespassing on the south end of Concord Township and we're working with the Sheriff's Department, and Mr. Rose had reached out to the property owner. We posted some "No Trespassing" signs there. So hopefully that will alleviate some of that problem.

I had a question regarding some potential zoning violations that I spoke with Heather Freeman about.

And other than that, I just had one other call regarding NOPEC and I think Mr. Rose is going to talk about that this evening.

Again, congratulations to our two Eagle Scouts, quite an accomplishment, especially with the two brothers at

the same time. So that's nice to see for our community.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you.

Well, I would like to echo Mrs. Lucci's comments and congratulate both Mr. Dondorfer and Mr. Rose on their board appointments. Fantastic. I couldn't agree more that it's a pleasure to work with both of you and those boards are lucky to have your service.

And I thank you for recognizing my communicating about Lake County. Yes, I did speak at the Eastern Lake County Chamber of Commerce, that was a couple weeks ago, and then shortly thereafter got invited to be a Get to Know the Leaders series on Ideastream. They're communicating with leaders throughout the three-county area, so that's a lot of people.

MR. DONDORFER: Right.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And I was the first township person they got to talk to, so got to explain a little bit about what's unique about townships and, of course, got to talk up Concord Township.

MR. DONDORFER: You did a great job.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Yeah, thank you. I appreciate that. I had a lot of fun doing that.

I did have a chance, in addition, to speak with the residents this evening about pickleball courts. Did receive a complaint about the need of road repair and touched base with our Service Director, Mr. Brown. And it's so fantastic when you receive a complaint and are able to turn around and say, "Yes, that's on the plan for this year." So unfortunately -- fortunately, I didn't have to tell somebody that it's on the list and we'll get to it when we can, so that was nice.

I did have a phone call or -- I'm sorry -- a message about somebody recycling on Town Hall Campus, asking where did our bins go? And they've been gone for a while. I was able to direct them to a couple alternative sites here in the township that have it, I believe LaMuth and I know I verified that St. Gabes has some dropoffs.

MR. ROSE: The best place to go, actually, would be the Lake County Landfill. They have recycling bins for all the various categories, glass, metal, aluminum, cardboard, paper, et cetera. That's where we, in the office, have been steering everybody.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And some of us here in the township, some people that are using Major, have also had their recycle intervals reduced by 50 percent. They're only coming alternative weeks.

MS. LUCCI: Yes.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: So that could be more of an issue. So, yeah, Lake County Landfill is a good alternative if you're running back on that.

As Mrs. Lucci said, I did wrap up my grand jury experience. For the last few months, I served there. And as we have talked extensively here, law enforcement is something and it's been a hot topic in the Commissioner's Office and that, obviously, affects how we plan our law enforcement and our expenditures and it gave me a different insight.

Carl, you and I have had a lot of conversations about things and it's something that it calls attention to things that you don't see on a regular basis. And I think there have been a lot of conversations about law enforcement and crime in Lake County, and everywhere crime is increasing

and that, but I want residents of Concord to feel, not feel threatened by that. I think it's something, we have a fantastic Prosecutor's Office. I mean, I have said a couple times that they made the job of being on the grand jury very easy. To be very candid, they came in and said, "This is the case." And they said, "We want you to decide." We can go and we had prosecutors come in and say, "I don't think I have enough for this charge. This is what I think you should charge instead." They didn't come in and put us in a bad spot, make it difficult. It was very easy.

The law enforcement officers that testified, all of them through the weeks were fantastic, very sharp on their recall, gave great testimony, were very interactive.

So I think what I want residents of Concord Township and Lake County to understand is that we're grateful to have good law enforcement, good prosecution in the county and things are in good hands. I think the thing that's important to take into consideration is what we need to do to continue to maintain the level of excellent law enforcement we have, and there is a lot of challenges, as Mr. Dondorfer said.

MR. DONDORFER: Right.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Crime is changing. The profession is changing. The people that are coming into the field are changing. Those all present challenges. So I don't feel Lake County residents should be afraid or concerned that things are out of control like they are, but it's a subject that deserves our attention.

MR. DONDORFER: Right.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And I think we will continue that here in Concord Township, that spirit of public safety

and focusing on it.

I did tour the fire station just this afternoon with, our architect is in town for her monthly visit. And Administrator Rose and I have a meeting with the construction team, the architect, design team and our owner's rep tomorrow trying to button up some of the loose ends and settle on a firm open date here. So I've been spending a lot of time getting familiar with what's going on there.

But with that, I just want to wish everybody a great, happy Easter and have a nice weekend.

And with that, we will move into Department Reports with Mr. Andy Rose.

MR. ROSE: Thank you, Mr. McIntosh. Members of the board, Mr. Teknipp, welcome, Mr. Petersen, members of the audience.

I will start off with some bids that we recently opened. We opened bids on March 21, 2023, for the Service Department's solicitation for stone, asphalt, concrete and limestone materials. We did receive six bids from the following companies: Osborne Concrete and Stone; Cuyahoga Asphalt Materials; Kokosing Materials, Incorporated; Hallmark Excavating; Osborne Incorporated; and Grand River Asphalt Company. We, again, we accepted all bids and we will purchase the materials as needed.

Additionally, we opened bids on March 31, 2023, for the Auburn Road sanitary sewer extension. The engineer's estimate was \$223,800, and we did receive four bids. I am going to read them in the order that they were opened. Eclipse Company LLC, their base bid was \$181,267, alternate was \$13,618; International Excavating, base bid \$224,180,

their alternate was \$24,530; Northeast Ohio Trenching Service, their base bid was \$238,345, their alternate was \$40,070; and the fourth bid was Trax Construction, their base bid was \$207,155, the alternate was \$14,995. All bids were evaluated and they were checked by our consulting engineer and they recommended, and I am also recommending, that we award the contract to Eclipse.

It's interesting that the engineer's estimate was \$223,800 and Eclipse all-in came in at 195,885. So it was refreshing to see a bid come in under the engineer's estimate.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Right.

MR. ROSE: And when you, even when you include the CEC's construction management inspection for the sanitary, which is required, that's 12.9, you're still under the engineer's estimate adding that in, which isn't factored in. So I am very encouraged by that price.

A few other items on the agenda I would like to highlight. Item C, that's a resolution to place an obsolete piece of audiovisual equipment up for auction.

Item D is a vote to accept all the bids that I mentioned earlier for the stone, asphalt, concrete and limestone materials.

E and F are the votes for the purchase orders on the Auburn Road sanitary sewer line. That goes across the frontage of the Community Center. This just isn't about getting the Community Center off of septic, that's, that's a bonus. You know, extending that sanitary line south on Auburn Road, what it really does is it enhances economic development and it makes those properties south of the Community Center more attractive because it's easier to tie into sanitary sewer

and we're hoping that that spurs some economic development.

And we've got some things cooking on the back burner that we hope will bear fruit in the near future.

about this at the staff meeting. This is our testing company for Fire Station 1 and they're also the geotechnical engineering consultant. Due to some unusual conditions and additional requirements that have been levied for testing and additional geotechnical analysis, additional funds are needed to satisfy those requirements. But we broke that out into a P.O. for the geotechnical analysis part and then there is a purchase order for the remainder of the testing part so that we can track those numbers separately. So those are on the agenda as G and H respectively.

Touching on NOPEC, we talked about NOPEC at the last meeting. NOPEC is currently working to reenroll customers back starting with the June meter, the June meter reading cycle. I know I've gotten some phone calls. Some residents have already received their letters and I know letters are still going out. I spoke to NOPEC's governmental affairs rep, Gennie Costanzo, and she said the letters are still being churned out. So if a resident hasn't gotten one yet, they should soon.

One of the nice things is NOPEC is going to conduct a series of public information sessions to answer residents' questions face to face. I volunteered Concord Township, so we're going to host one of those information sessions right here in our Community Center. I think that's important.

We're the only one, I think, in Lake County. All the rest are in Cuyahoga and other areas. But that will be on Tuesday,

April 25th and that will go from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. We're going to put that on our website and then we're also going to put the locations of the other NOPEC meetings. And then they're also hosting three online sessions if you want to stay at home and watch online and I think you can type in your question to that particular event, so I think that's good. I am pleased that they're communicating and, yeah, so -- And then I will probably pop in on that April 25th session just to hear it firsthand for the township.

The last thing, I know the Trustees are aware but I've gotten a handful of phone calls about what's going on with Quail Hollow Resort Hotel. There has been a lot of cars there lately, kind of in and out, and there's been some activity. The hotel is in a court-ordered receivership.

There is no way to sugarcoat it. They're in a court-ordered receivership and they've been ordered to sell the property. They've retained the services of a real estate auctioneer that was approved by the court. That property is up for auction and it closes, the auction closes on April 19th.

We've gotten a handful of phone calls, more curiosity, but I know that, you know, Zoning has gotten a call inquiring about uses and different things like that. So, you know, I hope it sells and I hope the property gets rehabbed, whether that's refurbish the existing or a tear down and do something else. I am glad to see that some activity is finally taking place and, hopefully, the auction is a success and the reserve is met and sometime this year we'll see a transfer of ownership and see, hopefully, something new and exciting.

Finally, I'd like to wish everybody a happy Easter

and hope everybody has a great weekend. Thank you.

MR. DONDORFER: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Mr. Rose.

Moving on down the list, Chief Sabo.

CHIEF SABO: Good evening.

MR. ROSE: I tried to keep it short.

CHIEF SABO: You did fine.

Good evening, everyone. For the month of March, we had a total of 244 events. We had 166 EMS events, with 120 transports to local hospitals. We had 78 non-EMS events, including four fires. Inside of Concord, we had three fires, including one structure fire, one vehicle, and one outside fire, which was a construction site, so we educated them a little bit. Outside of Concord, we assisted with one structure fire.

The one structure fire that we did have in Concord Township was on A shift. Lieutenant Yoder did a fantastic job, as did all his firefighters. Pinehill, if you're familiar with that road, is a very difficult road just to travel normally, let alone trying to pile several fire engines and apparatus and firefighters. They did a fantastic job, got a quick hit on the fire and lost the garage but was able to save much of the house. So they did, they did a really good job.

We had 21 mutual aid events that we provided mutual aid and we received mutual aid nine times. And we had probably one of our highest numbers of overlapping calls of 80, for 33 percent of our calls were overlapping.

The fire prevention bureau was out and completed 58 inspections, for about 140 hours. That's a lot more than what

I usually report because that also includes the TriPoint annual alarm system. So that takes, that's one test over the course of two weeks is how long it takes them to complete the alarm testing at TriPoint. They completed seven plan reviews, for about ten hours, and did about ten hours of the continuing education. And our investigators assisted with the fire investigation on Pinehill.

Public education met with, meeting with Terry

Cowoski, a fire safety engineer of University Hospitals, and
they're setting up training at TriPoint and the urgent care
centers. And they also installed a residential knox box, lock
box, so that was good.

Just as a reminder, going along with the recycling, the Fire Department does still accept aluminum cans. We have our bin behind Station 1 and next to Station 2. That has been filling up a lot faster than normal, which is good, and the proceeds from those donations goes right back into our fire prevention bureau. So thank you for those that continue to bring their cans.

Lerman, Valletto, Sheppard, Meek, Captain Bilal, our inspectors Doug Rought and Brien Spangenberg, we all met and we had our first meeting of the Concord Township fire investigation unit. So we have, all those guys have completed their fire investigation certifications and we now have our own fire investigation unit. So well done to them and I appreciate the time and effort that they put into that aspect of our firefighting force.

I too want to congratulate Mr. Dondorfer on his appointment to the ADAMHS board. I am happy to have him join

me, and we're going to do good work, at least for the next two years that I am there.

MR. DONDORFER: Right. Thank you.

CHIEF SABO: And, finally, just happy Easter to everyone. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable weekend and holiday. So thank you very much.

MR. DONDORFER: Thanks, Chief.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Chief.

Service Department.

MR. BROWN: Good evening, everybody.

MR. ROSE: Good evening.

MR. BROWN: The Service Department responded to seven snow-related callouts in the month of March, applying 358 tons of salt. The department's total tons of salt applied this season is approximately 1,700 tons to date.

Our crews are beginning their springtime operations of pothole patching, ditch maintenance, and curb basin repair. The equipment maintenance crew is preparing equipment for the upcoming construction season. In addition, the Service Department installed the nets on the pickleball and tennis courts, both are open for play.

Concord Township's annual celebration of Arbor Day will take place on April 28th at 10:30 a.m. A tree planting will take place on the Town Hall property near the entrance of Town Hall.

The yard waste dropoff at the Service Department opened on April 3rd and will continue to June 5th. The dropoff is open Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Residents may drop off yard waste in paper biodegradable bags to the material bin marked "Yard Waste." The bin is located

in the rear of the Service Department. No plastic bags are permitted.

The Annual Brush Day Collection, Collections are scheduled for Saturdays May 6th and May 20th, 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Residents may drop off brush to the Service Department. Brush may not be bigger than 4 inches in diameter. No stumps, landscape ties, railroad ties or lumber is permitted. The yard waste paper biodegradable bags will also be accepted on these Saturdays.

The 2023 Joint Road Resurfacing Projects are scheduled to begin June 16th and completed by the end of July. The roads to be resurfaced this year are Jamie Drive, Kenneth Drive, Brooke Lyn Way, Gray Road, Rogers Road and Huntoon Road. All these roads have only one way in and one way out. Residents should expect some delays during the construction process. Please remember, when approaching the work zone or any vehicles with flashing lights, to slow down and move over to keep everyone safe.

The Service Department reminds residents with any questions or concerns to contact us at 350-3225 or by email at ConcordTwp.com under Service Department. The Service Department wishes everybody else a happy Easter this weekend. That concludes our report.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Tim.

MR. DONDORFER: Thanks.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Zoning Department.

MS. FREEMAN: Good evening.

MR. ROSE: Good evening.

MS. FREEMAN: So during the month of March, the Zoning Department staff processed 31 zoning permit

applications and collected approximately \$6,400 in fees. The majority of the permits were for residential projects such as decks, fences, sheds, but we also approved nine new dwelling units in some of the new developments.

We also issued a zoning permit for the new Sheetz convenience store and fuel area that's going to be located at the southwest corner of State Route 44 and Capital Parkway. As many of the residents already are aware, the trees have already been fallen and the construction of this project is scheduled to start on May 1st. Right now, they're anticipating opening on December 21st but we'll probably get a revised timeline once stuff start to get going.

Finally, last night the Zoning Commission held a public hearing on their proposed zoning text amendments that are related to some of the Commercial and Industrial District uses. They did vote to recommend approval of those amendments and we'll be forwarding that to the Trustees to schedule your public hearing as well.

That's it. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you.

MR. DONDORFER: Thank you, Heather.

MR. ROSE: Thanks.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Recreation.

MR. SUPLER: Good evening, everyone.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Good evening.

MR. SUPLER: I just want to start off by thanking my staff member Susan Cobb for filling in for me last month. The month of March was not very great for my family and kids. We were sick all month, so I am glad March is behind us and we are looking forward to April.

So as Ms. Lucci said, we had our Easter Egg Hunt this past Saturday. It was a great turnout. We had just so many kids and families there. It was great to see everyone out. Obviously, the weather was great until we were just about wrapped up, so that was great. It held out for us.

I want to give a couple special thanks to First Federal Bank of Lakewood here in Concord for donating our Golden Ticket baskets. They donated six of those, which we had some golden tickets in six eggs that we placed throughout the Easter Egg Hung and any kid that got it got a special basket. And then we have an anonymous Concord resident who donated over 3,000 candy-filled eggs that he taped each and every one of those.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Wow.

MR. SUPLER: So I can't imagine the amount of time he spent on that. So to that gentleman, we thank you for that.

Department for participating, to Chief Sabo and Deputy Chief Biddell and those guys for bringing a fire truck and ambulance over for the kids to check out and sit in, and to their staff members who, you know, they really gave the community members and the kids and you could tell that they all really enjoyed having them there. I enjoined having them there as well. We got some really nice phone calls and voicemails about that as well. So thank you to those guys and to Service Director Tim Brown for his guys transporting all the stuff over there for us. So thank you to those guys.

And then, lastly, to the Recreation Department staff for putting on a great event, and to our facility attendants

who helped out that morning and running the event and cleaning up and all that kind of stuff.

And the, obviously, a special thanks to our Easter Bunny, who was there. What is Easter without the Easter Bunny?

So just a couple updates. We had a really successful and amazing photo contest this year. We had lots of entries, lots of voters. So thank you to everyone who entered that. Our winners were announced and posted on social media and prizes were sent out to our winners this year. So thank you to everyone who entered that.

April 21st and 22nd is our Spring Garage Sale at the Community Center. We have a crazy amount of 24 vendors that are in the community room. That is much more than we've ever had. We've opened up all the rooms to vendors, so we are really trying to market and push to try and get patrons to the building on April 21st and 22nd. So we are hoping that everyone will come out and support them and support our local venders that will be there for that.

We are still currently taking registration for our preschool classes. One that starts next week, actually, has some participants in it, so that's great. And then our youth sports programs with Rookie Sports Club, we have soccer starting April 19th and then baseball starting June 13th.

A couple upcoming senior events, we have April 12th is the ABCs of Medicare. April 19th is baseball-themed Bingo, and we want people to take note that's the third Wednesday. Normally, it's the fourth Wednesday of the month. So this month in April it is the third Wednesday. And April 26th we have Susan Cannavino doing a presentation on Abraham Lincoln.

And then, lastly, for the senior events, we just want everyone to know that, as the weather warms up, there is a 55 Plus hiking club that meets on Thursday morning. That's run by Rachel Lamb. And if anybody wants information on that, they can contact her.

Another thanks to Tim Brown and his staff for getting up the pickleball and tennis court nets. The Service guys got out there and got that done. Obviously, the pickleball courts have been in use already, so I know we will be getting a lot more of that and really diving into that pickleball here shortly.

Hopefully, everyone received their e-Grapevine that went out the beginning of April, just last week. And then our actual Grapevine is currently being put the finishing touches on and will be sent over to the designers soon and we'll be, hopefully, mailing that out the last week of April.

A couple save the date things or save the date for summer events: Our Summer Concert Series is all filled up and ready to go. That is every Thursday starting June 8th to July 27th, from 7:00 to 9:00, here at the Town Hall Gazebo. I am just going to run over who we have lined up so everyone can start planning ahead. June 8th we have the Big North Band, that's country music night; June 15th is Word of Mouth, they play classic rock with emphasis on the '70s; June 22nd is Chardon Polka Band; June 29th, Cheeseburgers in Paradise playing Jimmy Buffet's greatest hits; July 6, Four Kings and a Queen, that's a Motown and funk band; July 13th is the Woodpeckers, a band favorite in this area; In Cahoots, they're playing hits from CCR, Santana and more; and that closing it down for us this year on July 27th is another local favorite

and that's Abbey Rodeo. We have a bunch of great food venders that we're lining up as well, and all that information will be released in the upcoming Grapevine as well.

And then our last special event for the summer is our Community Day and that's Saturday, August 12th. We have a lot of great new programs and expansion of our Kids World planned for that; our typical, our usual Fire Department Pancake Breakfast; and then our two bands playing that night are Blue Evolution and Jersey Beats.

And, lastly, I just want to continue to encourage everyone to sign up for the e-Grapevine and follow us on social media, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, so you can get all up-to-date information.

And that concludes my -- Well, happy Easter, everyone, as well. That concludes my report.

MR. DONDORFER: Thank you. Thank you, Sean.

MS. LUCCI: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: I know we're all looking forward to the weather getting nice and summer concerts and Community Day -- it will be great -- especially on a day like today when it's gloomy and raining.

MS. LUCCI: Yes.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Last but not least, Concord law enforcement, Sergeant Infalvi.

SERGEANT INFALVI: Good evening.

MS. LUCCI: Good evening.

SERGEANT INFALVI: For the month of March 2023, the Sheriff's Office recorded 1,163 calls for service. Of those calls for service, we responded to 15 damage accidents. We didn't have any injury accidents to report this time. State

Route 84 and I-90, an adult male with weapons under disability, which is a felony of the third degree, and handling a firearm in a vehicle, with a felony of the fourth degree. He was an Ashtabula resident from out of town. also -- That was involving an accident as well. We had a Morley and Prouty, an adult male for OVI; Lockwood Ridge, an adult male for temporary protection order violation; Rogers Road, an adult male for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, that was the son who took his father's vehicle. So it was nobody from out of town who was going around stealing cars. Waffle House on Crile Road, an adult male for two counts of menacing, which is pretty much threatening with use of harm to somebody. Auburn Road at Prouty, adult male hit-skip motor vehicle accident, leaving the scene of an accident; and Morley Road, a juvenile male for theft of a firearm, and that was a family household situation. Again, nothing from somebody from out of town. And we had two warrant arrests that resulted from traffic stops.

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We responded to 57 alarms, we issued 21 citations for various traffic violations, 164 warnings for various traffic violations. We responded to 34 suspicious circumstances, vehicles and persons, 23 welfare checks that people reported concern for somebody's welfare, and we had two sex offenses that occurred within the township.

We had the speed trailers out; we got them out a little bit early this year because we saw a problem that was occurring. Those are at, one is on Hunting Lake and the other one is on Old Johnnycake Ridge. Those will be spread around the township throughout the season.

Lieutenant Zach Ropos, from the Sheriff's Office,

graduated from the Police Executive Leadership College, so we congratulate him. Other supervisors, sergeants and lieutenants are scheduled to attend the same course, which is a three-week course down in Columbus, throughout a couple month period, a pretty good in-depth and well received course.

Deputy Peterland is one of our newer deputies and he just graduated FTO and he's been on solo patrol for a couple weeks now since our last meeting here, so we want to congratulate him. He's doing very well. He came to us from Madison Township PD.

And then Deputy Matt Byers, who is the former police chief of Madison Township, was hired with the Lake County Sheriff's Office, and he is working in our detective bureau, but Chief Byers also is an Ohio OPOTA certified instructor. He's also a mounted unit, which is the horses, certified rider and a firearms instructor, so a very big asset for the Sheriff's Office there.

And we also have Deputy Patrelli. He is our newest hire right now. He came to us from Chester Township PD and he will be finishing up with his FTO shortly and he will be on solo patrol.

And as far as the trespassers go, we're keeping an eye on that situation as far as they keep just coming out here in the spring and trying to stop the situation from occurring before it happens.

And, again, happy Easter to everybody and feel free to contact me at the Sheriff's Office if you have any concerns or something, an issue that you need looked at a little bit more with a microscope. And my phone number is (440) 350-5598.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Sergeant. 1 MR. DONDORFER: Thank you. 2 MR. ROSE: Thank you. 3 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And moving into Audience Portion, seeing and hearing none, Old Business, which there is 5 none, so we will jump into New Business. 6 MR. DONDORFER: Okay. Mr. Chairman, I will make a 7 motion to approve the March financial report. 8 MS. LUCCI: I will second. 9 10 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Any conversation? Hearing none, all in favor? 11 12 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.) 13 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: All in favor, none opposed. MS. LUCCI: Mr. Chairman, I move to approve 14 Resolution 2023-06 authorizing participation in the ODOT 15 winter road salt contract. 16 MR. DONDORFER: I'll second. 17 18 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor? 19 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.) 20 21 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Carl. MR. DONDORFER: Mr. Chairman, I will make a motion 22 23 to approve Resolution 2023-07 declaring personal property of 24 Concord Township surplus and not needed for public purpose and 25 obsolete and unfit for the use which the property was acquired 26 and approving the sale of this property by internet-based 27 auction. 28 MS. LUCCI: Second. 29 CHAIRWOMAN LUCCI: Any discussion? Hearing none, 30 all in favor?

(Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

MS. LUCCI: Mr. Chairman, I move to approve the Service Department acceptance of all bids for stone, asphalt, concrete and limestone.

MR. DONDORFER: I'll second.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor?

(Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

MR. DONDORFER: Mr. Chairman, I will make a motion to award the Auburn Road sanitary sewer extension and Concord Township Community Center Lateral Project to Eclipse Company LLC in the amount of \$195,885.

MS. LUCCI: I second.

to build on something that Mr. Rose said. I think, you know, it is thankful to NOPEC that we've got a lot of things put into the Community Center and it, it looks great. Really, over the last few years, has really seen some nice improvement. This is a great thing for the district. And we're using ARPA funds. And I know there is mixed feelings on that but, you know, it's something that wouldn't have happened otherwise. You know, we would have had to do some other things there and it's going to help grow the district. So a very worthy, I think, use of those funds.

Okay. Further discussion? Hearing none, all in favor?

(Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

MS. LUCCI: Mr. Chairman, I move to approve purchase order to CEC Incorporated in the amount of \$12,900 for construction management and inspection of the Auburn Road

sanitary sewer extension and Concord Township Community Center 1 Lateral Project. 2 MR. DONDORFER: And I will second. 3 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Further discussion? Hearing none, all in favor? 5 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.) 6 MR. DONDORFER: Mr. Chairman, I will make a motion 7 to approve the P.O. to Geo-Sci in the amount of \$20,000 for 8 testing. 9 MS. LUCCI: I'll second. 10 11 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Any discussion? 12 MR. DONDORFER: No, just to note that, like Mr. Rose said, this is for some additional engineering and some geotech 13 surveying regarding the fire station project and I think it's 14 15 needed to make sure that we're solid over there. CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Yeah, it's something that came 16 17 up. 18 MR. DONDORFER: Right. CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And we knew that was going to 19 happen, so we need to move ahead with this. 20 21 MS. LUCCI: Sounds like our owner's rep explained it 22 appropriately and it makes sense. 23 CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: A reasonable expense. Okay. 24 All in favor? 25 (Three aye votes, no nay votes.) 26 MS. LUCCI: Mr. Chairman, I move to approve P.O. to 27 Geo-Sci in the amount of 41,000 for geotech analysis. 28 MR. DONDORFER: And I will second. CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: And it seems that we already 29 discussed it. All in favor? 30

(Three aye votes, no nay votes.)

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Item I, Mr. Rose, I understand you are going to read our proclamation.

MR. ROSE: Yes, sir.

"Proclamation to the Lake County Department of Job and Family Services:

"Whereas, all children of the community have the right to live and grow in a safe, secure and supportive environment; enter school prepared to succeed; be able to choose healthy behaviors and grow to successful adulthood, and

"Whereas, during 2022, Lake County Children's Services responded to 1,700 calls regarding children and their families as a result, Children's Services worked with approximately 1,000 children who presented with a variety of issues which could not be easily resolved, and

"Whereas, over 100 foster families, adoptive families, relatives and other alternative caregivers provided a safe environment for children who are unable to be in their family home,

"Whereas, the best prevention of child abuse can only be done if we, both as a society and as individuals, take responsibility to offer parents and families the support and tools they need to provide healthy nurturing homes for their children,

"Therefore, we shall declare April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Concord Township and urge the citizens of our community to join with us to become involved in activities this month and all through the year to raise the awareness of child abuse and to focus our attention on providing safe environments for children and fostering confident, positive

parents.

"Dated this 5th day of April 2023, The Concord Township Board of Trustees."

 $$\operatorname{\mathtt{And}}$ I will deliver this proclamation to Job and Family Services' director tomorrow, sir.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you, Mr. Rose.

MR. ROSE: Thank you.

MS. LUCCI: So we want to set a public hearing?

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Yeah. As we know, we've got

Sheetz coming in and this is another opportunity to expand our

JEDD district. So we've got voluntary participants but the

legal process requires a public hearing.

MR. ROSE: Yes, sir.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: So we need to coordinate that.

And we will do so, I think we discussed in office hours the second meeting in May, which would be the 17th. And we will do that, as we do with a lot of our special public hearings,

15 minutes ahead of the normal trustee meeting. So it will be 7:15 p.m. on May 17th.

Okay. And with that, Mr. Teknipp, would you please read the Future Meetings and Announcements?

MR. TEKNIPP: Yes.

On April 12th, at $7:00~\mathrm{p.m.}$, there will be a BZA meeting at Town Hall.

On April 19th, from 6:30 to 7:30, trustee office hours will be held in the conference room at Town Hall; and, finally, on April 19th, at 7:30 p.m., there will be the trustee meeting at Town Hall.

CHAIRMAN McINTOSH: Thank you.

And just a point of order or note, Item L on the

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agenda was for executive session to discuss pending
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    litigation. Our primary legal counsel was unable to make it
    this evening, so we are going to cancel that agenda item.
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               And with that, we will adjourn the meeting.
               MR. DONDORFER: Happy Easter.
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               MS. LUCCI: Happy Easter. Thank you.
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               (Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.)
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STATE OF OHIO 1 CERTIFICATE COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA 2) I, Melinda A. Melton, Registered Professional 3 Reporter, a notary public within and for the State of Ohio, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that, to the best of my ability, the foregoing proceeding was reduced by me to stenotype shorthand, subsequently 5 transcribed into typewritten manuscript; and that the foregoing is a true and accurate transcript of said 6 proceedings so taken as aforesaid. 7 I do further certify that this proceeding took place at the time and place as specified in the foregoing 8 caption and was completed without adjournment. 9 I do further certify that I am not a friend, relative, or counsel for any party or otherwise interested 10 in the outcome of these proceedings. 11 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office this 24th day of April 2023. 13 14 Melinda A. Mel 15 Melinda A. Melton 16 Registered Professional Reporter Notary Public within and for the 17 State of Ohio 18 My Commission Expires: February 4, 2028 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29

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