

Orange Township signage more prominent

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This sign marks the entry into Orange Township from U.S. Route 23.

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LEWIS CENTER — The Orange Township Board of Trustees has been active over the spring and summer, with visible results.

On June 6, the trustees requested the Ohio Department of Transportation to install “signs in the rights-of-way of state highways indicating the boundaries of Orange Township,” the meeting minutes said. That has since been done.

They also requested assistance from the Delaware County Engineer's Office on two matters on June 6: seeking a traffic study along Walker Woods Boulevard and putting in an all-way stop on Mercier Street.

In other recent trustee meetings:

On Aug. 1, the trustees appointed Greg Butts to be parks maintenance and facilities assistant manager; and Jeffrey Chavalía and Zachary Wolfe as full-time firefighters/paramedics.

In a special meeting on July 20, the trustees approved a tennis facility in the Slate Ridge subdivision on Green Meadows Drive.

The July 18 meeting saw the trustees approve \$100,000 to The EDGE Group Inc. for the design of the Orange Township Veterans Memorial.

On July 5, Tyler Walker and Mason Mollohan were hired as full-time employees in the Public Works Department.

At a special meeting on June 22, the trustees approved two zoning applications for parcels on South Old State Road to be Single Family Planned Residential Districts.

A collective bargaining agreement was adopted with the Orange Township Professional Firefighters Association IAFF Local 3816 on June 21.

On June 13, the trustees declared a nuisance at a property on Aurora Avenue that contained "accumulations of vegetation, garbage, refuse and/or other debris," the minutes said. The property owner was given seven days to clean things up or the township would do the work and bill the owner through the county auditor.

Subsequently, on July 18, the trustees approved the report of the costs for abatement on the property to be submitted to the auditor.

There was a special meeting on May 18, where trustees Ben Grumbles (chair), Lisa Knapp (vice chair) and Erica Fouss approved the zoning application of Evans Farmland Development Company with modifications. The modifications were for parking signage and setbacks.

On May 2, the trustees adopted rules and regulation for both Africa and Williamsville cemeteries.

At the April 18 meeting, the trustees authorized work for curb and gutter replacement on Highmeadow by Decker Construction Company. Also, Mike Kelly was named parks maintenance and facilities manager.

During the April 4 meeting, Aaron James was named public works manager and David Gilson was appointed public works assistant manager.

On March 21, the trustees approved a natural gas master service agreement with Archer Energy, LLC through an aggregation with Trebel.