## SPECIAL MEETING

The April 26, 2022 special meeting of St. Albans Township was called to order by Chairman, Randal Almendinger.

All trustees and fiscal officer were present.

The purpose of this special meeting is for discussion of a merger with the Village of Alexandria or maintain what the township has.

County Auditor, Mike Smith spoke giving the revenue amounts for the township that will be lost with a merger. We currently receive \$1,403,837.00 from the township and \$56,577.00 from the village. With a merger we will receive a total combined of \$740,819.00.

Mike stated that the shortfall will have to be made up in levies, which would have to be 10 plus mills and a 15 month lag time before funds would be received by the new entity.

Jean Morrison stated that the new entity would receive the 1% income tax from RITA that the village has to supplement for some of the loss of income.

Bruce Lane said he has contacted RITA but has not received a call back.

Andrew King an attorney from Southwest Licking Water and Sewer District talked about infrastructure and the additional costs to the township with the traffic and road pressure.

Andrew said zoning is the key to maintaining the kind of township we want to have.

Andrew touched on Non Annexation agreements, JEDD's and overlays to protect the township from Annexation.

Holly Mattei, of Crossroads Community Planning spoke about focusing on the corridor that is the biggest threat of annexation and creating boundaries that protects the rest of the township. She stated that by doing this the township maintains control, powers and the fund status that we have.

Holli talked about zoning overlays, saying it's a cloud overlay with standards that the township has set for development and if wants to come in with development plans they have to meet the standards that are stated in the overlay.

Holly and Andrew talked about the financial benefits for St. Albans Township by doing a JED. Holly talked about property owners being able to detach from a merger. And stated that if you plan ahead and define your zoning it limits infrastructure.

Bruce Lane said he has a meeting with New Albany mid May to discuss a non-annexation agreement.

Residents asked questions to Andrew and Holli and then to the trustees. Jean Morrison made a motion to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randal Almendinger.

Roll call: Jean Morrison -yes, Bruce Lane -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes.

Meeting adjourned.

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