Millcreek Township Trustees Public Hearing January 4, 2023

The Millcreek Township Trustees of Union County, Ohio held a public hearing from 7:00 p.m. to 7:40 p.m. at the Millcreek Township Community Building to discuss rezoning 50 acres (parcels 2500130270000, 2500130280000 & 2500130240020) owned by Shelly Materials from U-1 to EQ District. Mr. Conroy called the meeting to order with the following members present:

MEMBERS: Keith Conroy, Bill Jordan, Dave Long and Scott Brackenridge. **ATTENDEES:** Kevin Cooperrider, Jeff Krofft, John Mahon, Peter Morse & Paul Rice – representatives for Shelly Materials, Joni Orders – Zoning Commission Chair, Gary Conklin

Supporting documents and maps were provided to the trustees for review prior to the meeting.

Mr. Conroy began the meeting by reviewing the agenda and general ground rules for the public hearing.

Ms. Orders provided an overview of the review completed by the Millcreek Township Zoning Commission after receiving the application from Shelly Materials requesting to rezone 50 acres. Matters associated with ingress/egress and commercial truck activity near the entrance off Watkins Road and Jerome Road were topics discussed with some noted concerns. Ms. Orders stated both the Logan-Union-Champaign Regional Planning Commission and the Millcreek Township Zoning Commission approved the application.

Mr. Cooperrider then presented on behalf of Shelly Materials. A map indicating the proposed area to be rezoned and surrounding areas was displayed and reviewed with all in attendance. Mr. Cooperrider informed the trustees about the increased mining activity at the site driven by commercial demands. He also reviewed the site's policies and safety measures in place regarding water quality monitoring, public blasting notifications, reclamation plans and other matters. Mr. Cooperrider then took questions from the trustees.

The trustees voiced concerns about an entrance gate being open at times at the emergency access site off Jerome Road. Mr. Cooperrider and the trustees discussed additional signage that could be in place to inform drivers about the entrance as well as keeping the gate closed more consistently. Mr. Cooperrider stated that the entrance was not for the sole purpose of emergencies though.

Time for public comment was opened. Mr. Gary Conklin noted his support for rezoning the area requested by Shelly Materials.

Resolution #2324: motion to accept the request by Shelly Materials to rezone 50 acres, parcels 2500130270000, 2500130280000 & 2500130240020, from U-1 to EQ District as recommended by the Millcreek Township Zoning Commission by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Long.

• Mr. Conroy – yes; Mr. Jordan – yes; Mr. Long – yes

Resolution #2325: motion to adjourn by Mr. Conroy, seconded by Mr. Jordan.

• Motion unanimously approved.

