

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 25th, 2016
7:00 PM**

The Medina Township Board of Trustees met in regular session at the Medina Township Hall on August 25th, 2016, to conduct the business of the Township. Chairman Ostmann called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the following Trustees in attendance: Bill Ostmann, Ray Jarrett and Ken DeMichael. Also in attendance were Fiscal Officer Ventura, Township Administrator DeHoff, Police Chief Arbogast, Fire Chief Crumley, Service Department Superintendent Miller and the general public.

Roll Call

Mr. Ostmann asked for a roll call of all members present. Trustees present were Mr. Ostmann, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. DeMichael.

Pledge

Mr. Ostmann led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Moment of Silence

Mr. Ostmann asked for a moment of silence for our service personnel both here and abroad and for our first responders who risk their lives every day to keep us safe.

SITE PLANS

SDP Electronics, Inc. – 4937 Grande Shops Avenue – Site

Mr. Ostmann motioned to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Commission and approve the change of use for SDP Electronics, Inc. to be located at 4937 Grande Shops Avenue as presented. Mr. DeMichael seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. DeMichael and Mr. Jarrett.

SDP Electronics, Inc. – 4937 Grande Shops Avenue – Panel Sign

Mr. Ostmann motioned to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Commission and approve a panel sign to be placed on the existing identification sign for SDP Electronics located at 4937 Grande Shops Avenue not to exceed 12.6 square feet as presented. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. DeMichael.

Young Scholars – 3848 Medina Road – Panel Sign

Mr. Ostmann motioned to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Commission and approve a panel on the existing identification sign for Young Scholars located at 3848 Medina Road not to exceed 15 square feet as presented this evening. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. DeMichael.

Yokohama – N. Gateway Tire - 4001 Pearl Road – Sign

Mr. Ostmann motioned to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Commission and approve a face change on the existing wall sign for Yokohama for N. Gateway Tire located at 4001 Pearl Road not to exceed 24 square feet as presented. Mr. DeMichael seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. DeMichael and Mr. Jarrett..

Don Basch Jewelers – 3875 Pearl Road – Site

Mr. Ostmann motioned to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Commission and approve the change of use for Don Basch Jewelers located at 3875 Pearl Road as presented. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. DeMichael.

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Stewart Title – 4015 Medina Road, Suite 70 – Site

Mr. Ostmann motioned to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Commission and approve the change of use for Stewart Title to be located at 4015 Medina Road, Ste. 70 as presented. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. DeMichael.

Stewart Title – 4015 Medina Road, Suite 70 – Wall Sign

Mr. Ostmann motioned to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Commission and approve a wall sign for Stewart Title to be placed on the existing portico granted by a variance by the Board of Zoning Appeals (portico signs not to exceed 13 square feet) not to exceed 6.48 square feet as presented this evening. Mr. DeMichael seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. DeMichael and Mr. Jarrett.

Stewart Title – 4015 Medina Road, Suite 70 – Panel Sign

Mr. Ostmann motioned to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Commission and approve a panel on the existing identification sign for Stewart Title not to exceed 1.33 square feet as presented this evening. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. DeMichael.

OTHER BUSINESS

Supplemental Appropriation Changes

Mr. Ostmann motioned to approve the supplemental appropriation changes as follows: minus \$500.00 out of account #1000-110-740-0000. We are moving funds to water/sewage to cover the balance and that is going to be going into account# 1000-120-352-0000 and we will be moving from account #2031-330-730-0000 to account #2031-330-740-0000 and this is to accommodate additional drainage. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. DeMichael.

Approval of Accounts Payables

Mr. Ostmann motioned to approve accounts payable check #27566 to #27595. The total amount is \$68,228.76. Mr. DeMichael seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. DeMichael and Mr. Jarrett.

Approval of Payroll

Mr. Ostmann motioned to approve payroll check #22059 to check #22111. The total amount is \$48,086.90 with \$6,693.04 withheld for taxes, union dues, OPERS, etc. Mr. DeMichael seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. DeMichael and Mr. Jarrett.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Ostmann motioned to approve the August 11, 2016, regular meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. DeMichael.

PURCHASE ORDERS AND TRAINING REQUESTS

Developing Skills for Excellence – Cliff Nicholson – Police Department

Mr. Ostmann motioned to appropriate \$445.00 for a conference and the conference is for Developing Skills for Excellence. It's out of Columbus Ohio, from 9/13 to 9/15, 2016. This is for Cliff Nicholson for professional development. Mr. DeMichael seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. DeMichael and Mr. Jarrett.

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DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

Service Department

Mr. Miller asked for Trustee support when he trims the tree on Grande Blvd. and N. Huntington by the stop sign because they need to be trimmed. Mr. Ostmann said he will back Mr. Miller up. Mr. Miller talked to the man regarding the weeds at the school (Remsen Building) and was told they would get to it today or soon. Mr. Miller will check back to be sure the work is done. Mr. Miller said the paving was done on Baker and Watkins Road. Mr. Miller said the cost for berming was \$15,000.00 so the Service Department will do it themselves because there isn't that much to do. Mr. Miller said Foskett Road is supposed to be started next week.

Weymouth Preservation Society

Mrs. McKiernan thanked Denny for moving concrete that was left in the cemetery and removing branches. Weymouth Day is September 17 at 9am. She asked if Denny will take care of putting the sign up. She gave a talk to the Granger Society and she will give a talk to the York Society. Leadership Medina will be at the school and a yoga class used the school. They have been laying the brick pad under the bench.

Fire Department

Chief Crumley said Tunnel for Towers will be on 9-11-16. They have collected over \$1,600.00 from the Township.

Ohio Checkbook

Angela Ventura said Ohio Checkbook is ready and they asked to attend a meeting. It will just take 15 to 20 minutes. They will invite the news media.

OLD BUSINESS

2016 Medina County Food Drive

Mr. Jarrett said the Medina County Food Drive is in full swing. Donations of unexpired food items can be dropped off at the townhall Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm until November 5, 2016.

Job Description Review

The job description review was tabled.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Ostmann motioned to open the floor for public comment. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. DeMichael.

Matthew Galla (3503 Hamilton Road) asked the status of the information regarding the LST billing of Township runs. Mr. Jarrett said he has received the answers to Mr. Radice's three (3) questions. How much has the township been billed, how much was collected and what is the percentage. In 2015 the township was billed \$368,238.90, the township collected \$193,658.00. The percentages as far as this year, 2016, we have collected as low as 21.6% and as high as 28.4% and there are a lot of different factors. He has spoken to different hospitals and was told this is like a moving target because at the Federal level they keep changing the percentages of what they are reimbursing and what they are paying for. The insurance companies are passing the cost back onto the patients. Mr. Jarrett said we are also getting a lot of unbillable runs which means if the person is not transported we cannot bill for them. In 2014 we had 199 non-billable runs, 2015 it was 265 non-billable runs. Mr. Jarrett said the hospitals were being paid less and LST is being paid less and the Township has to write off more.

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Mark Radice (4036 Stonegate) said it is not acceptable for the hospital to only collect 20 to 30% and he said he has talked to other communities who run their own EMS and they collect 80%. Mr. Jarrett asked if he could give specifics on which entities he is referring to so Trustees can contact them and Mr. Radice said he does not want to put it on the record because guys talk to him. Mr. Jarrett asked if it is Medina County and Mr. Radice said not necessarily. Mr. Ostmann has spoken to another Township and they are getting him those figures. Mr. Jarrett said representatives from the LST will be attending one of our meetings as soon as they can. Chief Crumley said the LST collected 52% in 2015 and Brunswick Hills, who uses a private collection agency, collected 56%.

Ed Unaitis (4985 Fenn Road) said his recommendation is to join EMS and the Fire Department. He said Hinckley handles all their own calls with no problems and they are a volunteer department. Mr. Unaitis also complained about the home on Fenn Road that has numerous cars for sale and he feels it is illegal. Mr. Ostmann said Zoning is looking into it. Mr. Unaitis wants to know why the large fire engine is driving all over the Township and parked at restaurant s, etc. Chief Crumley said they are on duty and drive the vehicle in case they get a call and they also go to residents to change smoke detectors, etc.

Matt Galla (3503 Hamilton Road) said Mike DeWine is going to have a radio program regarding the heroin epidemic sometime in September.

Mr. Ostmann motioned to close the floor for public comment. Mr. DeMichael seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. DeMichael and Mr. Jarrett.

Executive Session to Consider the Sale of Property

Mr. Ostmann motioned to enter into Executive Session to consider the sale of property by competitive bid with the full Board of Trustees, Angela Ventura Fiscal Officer and Linda DeHoff Township Administrator. Mr. DeMichael seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. DeMichael and Mr. Jarrett. The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:49 pm. The Board reconvened at 9:19 pm. No decisions were made during that Executive Session.

Special Meetings

Mr. Ostmann motioned that we schedule a special meeting for Monday August 29 at 6:00 pm and August 31 at 6:00 pm. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. DeMichael and Mr. Jarrett.


Vandalism at Medina Center Cemetery

Road Superintendent Miller said there has been vandalism at the cemetery. There have been two (2) benches stolen off the graves, a large empty wine bottle, weather vane that was stolen off a house and a box fan were in the back corner of the cemetery. He has spoken to Doug Eastwood who is looking into putting a camera from his place toward the cemetery. Mr. Ostmann said that is a good idea. Mr. Miller said Officer Ventura said it is a pokeman spot. Jeff Kessler went by there about 1:30 am and there were people there.


Medical Marijuana

Chief Crumley said the State of Ohio has legalized medical marijuana and it is effective in two (2) weeks. He asked if it will be addressed in the employee handbook. Mrs. DeHoff said it is already in the drug policy but we can make it stronger.

Mr. Ostmann motioned to adjourn. Mr. DeMichael seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Ostmann, Mr. DeMichael and Mr. Jarrett. There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 pm.




Angela Ventura, Fiscal Officer



Bill Ostmann, Chairman



Ray Jarrett, Vice-chairman



Ken DeMichael, Trustee