

# Middleton Township Trustees

*Wednesday, May 1, 2019 6:30 p.m.*

Mr. Vetter called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken. Trustees Bostdorff, Getz and Vetter and Fiscal Officer Limes were in attendance. The sign-in sheet for employees and visitors is attached with the approved minutes.

Noted on the sign in sheet is a statement indicating the meeting may be recorded or streamed live to the internet by a visitor - not at the authority of the township trustees.

## VISITOR COMMENTS

- Joe Pemberton and Al Sunderman from Suburban Natural Gas discussed the current projects in the township and Mr. Sunderman clarified the utility rate increase. There was discussion with regard to the 811 call to be made before digging and the Community Development Grant funds.

## FISCAL OFFICER REPORT

- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Bostdorff seconded a motion to approve the March 20, 2019 meeting minutes as provided. Motion approved with Mrs. Getz abstaining from vote.**
- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mrs. Getz seconded a motion to approve the April 17, 2019 meeting minutes as provided with edits. Motion approved.**
- **Mr. Bostdorff moved, Mrs. Getz seconded approval of accounts and payroll as submitted. Motion approved.** A payment register is attached to the approved minutes.
- **Mrs. Limes reviewed a few items that were reviewed in detail for reduction of costs.**
- **Mrs. Getz moved, Mr. Vetter seconded a motion to approve Resolution 19-0501, Permanent Appropriations. Role was called: Mr. Bostdorff – YES; Mrs. Getz – YES; Mr. Vetter – YES.**
- Mrs. Limes discussed an opportunity for the township and its employees to enter into an agreement with Ohio Deferred Compensation.  
**Mr. Vetter moved, Mrs. Getz seconded Resolution 19-0501DC, Adoption Agreement with Ohio Deferred Compensation. Role was called: Mr. Bostdorff – YES; Mrs. Getz – YES; Mr. Vetter – YES.** More details will be forthcoming and opportunity for staff to meet with the township representative will be made available.

## EMS DEPARTMENT

- Chief Matt Bechstein reviewed the April run report.
- There are programming issues with the new 680 radios.
- Discussion revolved around the closer of the St. Rt. 582 overpass and other various closures expected in the township.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

- Chief Steve Asmus noted the old ambulance has been posted on govdeals.com. The sale closes May 13.
- The April run report was provided for Trustee review.
- Chief Asmus noted Fire Fighter Dawn McKay is off probation and on active duty.
- Pump tests with OhiCat begin the week of May 6
- The repeaters have been installed in truck 681 and the command vehicle. The new ambulance will be handled at a later date.
- Chief Asmus provided a variety of dates for department involvement:
  - May 10 – SCBA best test with Warren Fire
  - May 15 – Mock ATV Accident at the Ag Incubator with area FFA chapters
  - May 28 – extrication training which will include ProMedica staff and BG City Fire
  - July 2 – Hose and ladder testing
- Mr. Asmus indicated a letter had been requested and obtained from Congressman Latta's office in support of the township's efforts to obtain AFG grant funds.
- Assistant Chief Brian Kotula is back on 'medium' work level duty.

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Mrs. Getz moved, Mr. Vetter seconded a motion to move into executive session for the purpose of personnel discussions at 8:05 pm.

**Role was called: Mr. Bostdorff – YES; Mrs. Getz – YES; Mr. Vetter – YES**

Mrs. Getz moved, Mr. Bostdorff seconded a motion to return to regular session at 8:20 pm.

**Role was called: Mr. Bostdorff – YES; Mrs. Getz – YES; Mr. Vetter – YES**

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT (CONT'D)**

- It was noted that Fire Fighter Matt Beakus is now a certified instructor.
- Safety Day was discussed and it was determined the EMS and Fire Chiefs would discuss with their personnel and a tentative date of September 7 was suggested.
- Chief Asmus thanked the Board for their willingness to send individuals to FDIC training.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A proposal from Moulton & Associates for updating the township website was reviewed. No decision was made.

**Mrs. Getz moved, Mr. Bostdorff seconded adjournment of the meeting at 9:20 pm. Motion approved.**

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**Fred E. Vetter, Chairman**

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**Penelope S. Getz, Vice Chairman**

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**James F. Bostdorff, Trustee**

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**Laurie L. Limes, Fiscal Officer**