

# Middleton Township Trustees

*Wednesday, June 16, 2021*

*6:00 p.m.*

Mr. Vetter called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken. Trustees Moulton, Cromley 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.

## **FISCAL OFFICER REPORT**

- **Mr. Moulton moved, Mr. Cromley seconded a motion to approve the June 2, 2021 meeting minutes as provided. Motion approved.**
- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Cromley seconded a motion to approve Charles 'Chuck' Hobbs as the website administrative contractor for the township website, with a prepaid contract of \$400 toward maintenance on the site. Motion approved – Mr. Moulton abstains.**
- **Mr. Cromley moved, Mr. Moulton seconded approval of accounts and payroll as submitted. Motion approved.** A payment register is attached to the approved minutes.
- Mrs. Limes provided the April and May bank reconciliations for Trustee review.
- The township investment portfolio should be reviewed with a Trustee. Mr. Bostdorff provided input in the past. Mr. Moulton indicated interest in serving in that role.
- The Ohio Township Association offered a Harassment Update Seminar. Mrs. Limes enrolled and the seminar is available for review.
- Mrs. Limes has requested a work session on the township appropriations for Wednesday June 30 at 6:00 p.m.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Moulton seconded a motion to approve the purchase of a Verizon cellphone for use at the fire station in Dunbridge. The phone will replace the landline hosted by Frontier. Motion approved.** Fire fighter Tom Miller has been overseeing the project and is also reviewing other options for reducing phone expenses at the fire station.
- The Trustees would like the slide at the park located in Dunbridge by the fire station to be removed and the area mulched. Mr. Moulton indicated he had been gathering quotes to have the shelter house painted.

## **ROAD DEPARTMENT**

- Jeff Eckel, Road Supervisor discussed the cement blocks prohibiting easy access to the river from Ovitt Road. The owner of property adjacent to the road right of way has expressed interest in removing said block. The Trustees were in favor of moving the block with the understanding that the access not be impeded.
- The county engineer has been made aware of concerns from Hull Prairie Road residents who are upset over the cleaning of the ditch.
- Handicap accessibility areas have been dismantled and need repair.
- A Five Point Road resident sprayed round up on both sides of the ditch.
- The Silverado truck will be placed on govdeals.com. Jeff Eckel will provide details.
- The subdivision streets will be reviewed and it is anticipated they will be finalized with opportunity to place out for bid at the next township meeting.
- King Road Issue 1 project is still in process.
- Mrs. Limes shared the request from the county engineer for input from the township on their plans for striping township roads.

## **ZONING DEPARTMENT**

- Zoning Inspector Chase Greulich indicated that two training days have occurred with iWorq on the new zoning software.
- A variety of nuisance properties in the township were discussed with Mr. Greulich. The Trustees encouraged follow up on these concerns.
- The need for a zoning clerk is on-going.
- A potential resident in the Village of Riverbend is requesting clarification on a three-car garage being built on a site.
- Mr. Greulich indicated that the new zoning software should have the capability to address locations with regard to fire department needs as well.

- **Mr. Cromley moved, Mr. Vetter seconded a motion to approve Jon Ellerbrock, Devils Hole Road resident, to the unexpired term of Mike Moulton as a member of the Zoning Commission. Mr. Ellerbrock will serve as the second alternate. Motion approved.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

- The Rouche deBeouf bridge auction was discussed.
- King Road resident Scott Jeremy addressed the Trustees with documents from the Wood County Commissioners’ office. The Commissioners have identified legislation that states the township must show its support of the vacated roadway in order for them to move forward. The Trustees reviewed maps of the area and requested Mr. Jeremy to assess any potential utilities that could be in the roadway currently.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Moulton seconded a motion to approve the start time change of 5:00 p.m. for the next township meeting on July 7. Motion approved.** The purpose of the time change is to allow an opportunity for the elected officials and department heads to attend the webinar at the start of the meeting.
- **Mr. Cromley moved, Mr. Moulton seconded a motion to approve a contract with Renewed Outdoors LLC for resident brush disposal at their site at a cost of \$2,250. Motion approved.** Mr. Cromley will let the company know of our interest in joining this program.
- **Mr. Cromley moved, Mr. Vetter seconded a motion to approve moving the August 4 meeting of the board to Wednesday, July 28 at 9:00 a.m. Motion approved.**

**Mr. Cromley moved, Mr. Moulton seconded adjournment of the meeting at 8:45 pm. Motion approved.**

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Fred E. Vetter, Chairman

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Donald E. Cromley, Vice Chairman

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Michael Moulton, Trustee

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Laurie L. Limes, Fiscal Officer