

# Middleton Township Trustees

*Wednesday, April 5, 2023*

*6:00 p.m.*

Mr. Moulton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken. In attendance were Trustees Cromley, Moulton, and Vetter as well as Fiscal Officer Limes.

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.*

**The township EMS Department held a Pinning of the Brass Ceremony for EMS department personnel who have been promoted in rank which include: Captain John Marcson, Lieutenant Mike Pinski, Lieutenant Rudy Hanzel and full-time employee Rachel Harmon.** Family and friends were in attendance to support and congratulate the employees on the promotions. In addition, a one-year certificate was awarded to Captain John Marcson and a 10-year certificate was provided to Paramedic Michael Richardson.

## FISCAL OFFICER REPORT

- **Mr. Cromley moved, Mr. Vetter seconded a motion to approve the March 15, 2022 meeting minutes as provided. Motion approved.**
- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Cromley seconded a motion to approve the March 29, 2022 meeting minutes as provided. Motion approved.**
- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Cromley seconded approval of accounts and payroll as submitted. Motion approved.** A payment register is attached to the approved minutes.
- Mrs. Limes provided an update on information received with regard to the American Rescue Plan Act funding.
- The township investments were reviewed with Mrs. Limes noting that more investing is being considered as rates have improved. The Trustees are reviewing the township's financial status and comparisons on where to invest will be taken under advisement.
- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Cromley seconded Resolution 23-0405 2023 Permanent Appropriations. Role was called: Mr. Cromley – YES; Mr. Moulton – YES; Mr. Vetter - YES**

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

- Chief Steve Asmus provided March run reports, including the Plain Township Quarter One report.
- A report showing personnel response to runs was provided for Trustee review.
- Two members of the fire department will be attending Wood County Weekend Fire Training in Columbus on April 14 and 15.
- The tarp on Engine 682 needs replaced.  
**Mr. Cromley moved, Mr. Moulton seconded a motion to approve the purchase of a new tarp for Truck 682 at a cost not to exceed \$2,500. Motion approved.**
- The department personnel thanked the township officials for their attendance at its recognition banquet held at Nazareth Hall at the end of March.  
**Mr. Cromley moved, Mr. Moulton seconded a motion to reimburse the Middleton Township Fire Fighters Association \$2,466.91 for the expense of the recognition banquet held on March 25. Motion approved.**

## EMS DEPARTMENT

- Chief Jerry Saunders reviewed the run volume report for March.
- Mr. Saunders and the board reviewed an updated specification for the purchase of a different ambulance, versus the one on order currently with Burgess. A new ambulance, at today's prices, is being quoted at \$376,402. The Board has asked Chief Saunders to return to the April 19 meeting to have further discussion.
- Numerous patient questionnaires were provided to the Board for their review.

## ZONING DEPARTMENT

- The parking lot lights at the Curling Center have not been updated with a shroud or change in direction.

## VISITOR COMMENTS

- Shane Johnson, Utilities and Permitting Coordinator, Construction Inspector from the Wood County Engineer's Office reviewed specifications for road improvements on Hull Prairie Road, from Self Road to St. Rt. 582. Mr. Johnson indicated this was a two (2) mile section of the roadway.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Mrs. Limes brought up the bicycle route and request from ODOT for signage placement. The Board shared concerns that signage was not being supported from neighboring townships.
- Mr. Moulton updated the Board on the Copeland Estate lawsuit. Deposition will be taken from Ron Bogedain, Jerry Saunders and Jeff Eckel on April 21.
- Chase Gruelich is working on replacement of vinyl for the outdoor sign.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- **Mr. Cromley moved, Mr. Vetter seconded a motion to take the project to bid and set a special meeting to open sealed bids for the Hull Prairie Road Project on Wednesday, May 3 at 5:30 p.m. Motion approved.** Mrs. Limes will send the documents for publication and posting on the website.
- **Mr. Moulton moved, Mr. Cromley seconded a motion to approve a special meeting for the purpose of reviewing recommendations from the Wood County Planning Commission and the Middleton Township Zoning Commission for text amendments to the township zoning resolution Article VII, Section 5, Industrial Land Uses on Wednesday, April 19 at 5:30 p.m. Motion approved.**

**Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Cromley seconded adjournment of the meeting at 7:50 pm. Motion approved.**

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**Michael Moulton, Chairman**

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**Donald E. Cromley, Vice Chairman**

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**Fred E. Vetter, Trustee**

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**Laurie L. Limes, Fiscal Officer**