



ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 1, 2016

**The Ross Township Board of Trustees met in regular session
to transact business for Ross Township.**

CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL

Present - Thomas E. Willsey, Raymond J. Wurzelbacher and Ellen Yordy

PROCEDURAL ACTION

Motion 15-093

Upon motion by Trustee Wurzelbacher and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 18, 2016.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Motion 15-094

Upon motion by Trustee Wurzelbacher and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 18, 2016.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Fiscal Officer Judy Huffman announced that the fund balance on deposit is \$2,660,225.89 and provided the Board with copies of the Bank Reconciliation Statement and the Cash Summary by Fund Report from August, 2016.

After thorough interviewing and background checks, Police Captain Jack Tremain presented Chris Petty and David Liddil to the Board as candidates for the position of Part-time Police Officer. Captain Tremain requested that the Board consider a motion to hire Chris Petty and David Liddil to that position.

Motion 16-095

Upon motion by Trustee Wurzelbacher and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted to hire Chris Petty and David Liddil to the position of Part-time Police Officer at the rate of \$16.50 per hour; subject to the completion of all pre-employment testing which is in accordance with the current Staffing Summary and Pay Rate resolution.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried. Board President Wurzelbacher then administered the Oath of Office to new Officers Chris Petty and David Liddil.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Administration – Bob Bass provided an explanation for the following resolution to be considered: a Medical marijuana moratorium, nuisances assessment at 4269 Oriole Drive and 2678 Moeller Drive, and new nuisances at 2618 Moeller Drive and 2310 Indian Creek Trail. He then provided the Board with a report on the status of currently open and recently abated nuisances.

Fire Department – Chief Steve Miller provided the monthly report for August, 2016 and requested that the Board proceed with the acquisition of a new fire engine. The Board will review this matter individually with the Fiscal Officer and render their decision at a future meeting.

Road Department – Road Superintendent Paul Bulach advised that the Silax culvert project still required final paving before completion.

Police Department – Captain Jack Tremain had no report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Resident Debbie Redman of Silax Drive expressed her displeasure of the work performed within her yard on the culvert project. She listed her complaints and the Board agreed to take a look at her concerns and get back with her.

Resident Steve Faigley of Cyprus Drive described two recent attacks by pit bull dogs on his street and asked the Board to consider a ban on the breed in Ross Township. The Board will review and advise.

TOWNSHIP BUSINESS

Old

The Administrator continued discuss from the August 18th meeting regarding the Township's ability to adopt a moratorium on permitting any medical marijuana businesses permitted through HB 523 until the Board can study the issue to determine what is in the best interest of the Township. A resolution adopting the moratorium will be presented later in this meeting.

New

Announcements

None

Correspondence

The Butler County Board of Elections sent notice that the renewal fire levy has been certified for the November 8th General Election.

LEGISLATION

Purpose – The Ohio General Assembly adopted and the Governor has signed

into law, House Bill 523 which legalizes the cultivating, processing and dispensing of medical marijuana in the State of Ohio. The law becomes effective on September 8, 2016 and authorizes townships to adopt a resolution, to prohibit, or limit the number of, cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries licensed within the township. It also allows placing a moratorium of six months on the granting of permits or certificates for any building, structure, use or change of use that would enable the cultivation, processing or retail dispensing of medical marijuana-related businesses and uses in order to allow adequate time to review statutes, codes and resolutions relative to such uses. This resolution declares that moratorium.

Resolution 2016-042

Upon motion by Trustee Wurzelbacher and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution imposing a moratorium of six months on the issuance and processing of any permits allowing cultivators, processors and retail dispensaries within the township.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, which motion carried.

Purpose - At Board of Trustees Resolution Numbers 2016-039 and 2016-041 the Trustees declared a nuisance existed at 4269 Oriole Drive and 2678 Moeller Drive, respectively. These nuisances required abatement by the Township's abatement crews. This resolution certifies the abatement expenses to the County Auditor for assessment.

Resolution 2016-043

Upon motion by Trustee Wurzelbacher and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution certifying dangerous structure or nuisance violation abatement expenses at 4269 Oriole Drive and 2678 Moeller Drive to the County Auditor for assessment.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, which motion carried.

Purpose - Earlier in the meeting, the Administrator provided evidence of nuisance violations to exist at 2618 Moeller and 2310 Indian Creek Trail. This resolution declares those properties to be a nuisance and orders their abatement.

Resolution 2016-044

Upon motion by Trustee Wurzelbacher and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted on the adoption of a resolution declaring a nuisance for accumulated debris, excessive vegetation and/or junk motor vehicle 2618 Moeller Drive and 2310 Indian Creek Trail.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, which motion carried.

Motion 16-096

Upon motion by Trustee Wurzelbacher and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted to approve the following voucher/warrants totaling \$104,707.65

and authorize payment:

NUMBER	PAYEE	AMOUNT
43252	AIRGAS GREAT LAKES	\$61.47
43253	BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC	\$3,311.95
43254	BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION	\$3,940.23
43255	BUTLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$246.00
43257	D&R TARPING	\$57.43
43258	DELTA DENTAL	\$609.86
43259	KLEEM, INC.	\$257.46
43260	OHIO FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION	\$170.00
43261	PHYSIO-CONTROL INC	\$2,413.60
43262	ROSS OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	\$386.00
43263	RUMPKE HYDRAULICS, INC.	\$1,973.49
43264	SAFELITE FULFILLMENT INC	\$472.89
43265	TIME WARNER CABLE	\$85.15
43266	CRONIN FORD INC	\$144.73
43267	CHIEF STEVE MILLER	\$87.50
43268	ALVIS MATERIALS	\$31.50
43269	AT&T MOBILITY	\$980.13
43270	BALESTRA, HARR & SCHERER, CPAs, INC	\$4,200.00
43271	CDW GOVERNMENT	\$532.57
43272	ERNST CONCRETE	\$3,435.00
43273	HEALTHSPAN EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	\$775.00
43274	JUSTIN BOYCE	\$3,379.02
43275	MAJOR SUPPLY CORP.	\$147.29
43276	MERCY OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & URGENT CARE	\$111.00
43277	PAUL BULACH	\$175.11
43278	RUMPKE HYDRAULICS, INC.	\$179.46
43279	WATSON GRAVEL, INC.	\$152.36
43280	AIRGAS GREAT LAKES	\$67.28
43281	ALADTEC, INC	\$1,565.00
43282	AMBULANCE MAINTENANCE COMPANY INC	\$504.90
43283	BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC	\$29.67
43284	BREATHING AIR SYSTEMS	\$153.00
43285	DUKE ENERGY	\$429.47
43286	ERNST CONCRETE	\$622.00
43287	JEFFERY BAKER & ASSOCIATES INCORPERATED	\$500.00
43288	KRISTEN L. GILLUM	\$160.00
43289	NORTHGATE FORD LINCOLN MERCURY INC	\$11.70
43290	PAUL BULACH	\$1,632.34
43291	PHYSIO-CONTROL INC	\$655.20
43292	SIRCHIE	\$95.19
43293	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	\$216.65
43294	TIME WARNER CABLE	\$133.43
43295	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$21.45
43296	VISION SERVICE PLAN - (OH)	\$208.93

43297 W. S. DARLEY & CO \$174.23
43298 WATSON GRAVEL, INC. \$467.09
The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Motion 15-097

Upon motion by Trustee Wurzelbacher and seconded by Trustee Willsey, the Board voted to retire to executive session to discuss the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) at 6:37 pm.

The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Motion 15-098

Upon motion by Trustee Wurzelbacher and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted to return to the open meeting from executive session at 7:16 pm.

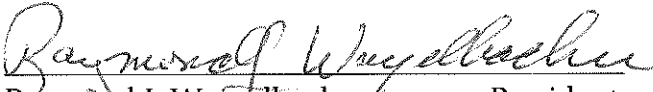
The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

Motion 16-099

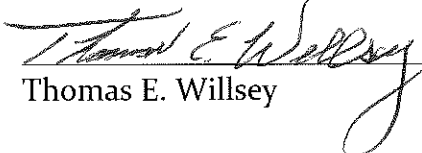
After posing the question, there being no further business to come before the Board at the time; upon motion by Trustee Wurzelbacher and seconded by Trustee Yordy, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting. The vote of the Board shows as follows: All present voted yes, motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Ross Township Board of Trustees will be held on September 15th, 2016 at 6:00 pm at the Ross Township Government Center.

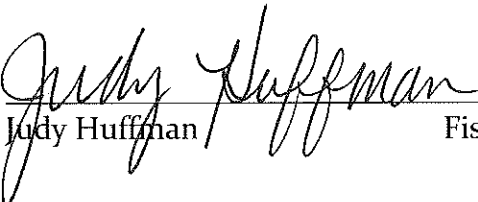
ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES


Raymond J. Wurzelbacher President


Ellen Yordy Vice President


Thomas E. Willsey Trustee

ATTEST:


Judy Huffman Fiscal Officer

