

AMENDED FINAL

Crosby Township Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2016

The regular meeting for April 11, 2016 was called to order by Mr. Dole at 7pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Niehaus and Mr. Heis were also present.

Motion by Mr. Niehaus to accept the Minutes from the regular meeting held March 21, 2016; Mr. Heis seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Niehaus to accept the Minutes from the zoning meeting held March 21, 2016; Mr. Heis seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of bills by Mr. Heis and seconded by Mr. Niehaus. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Mr. Dole reported the announcement of the Hamilton County Public Health Board, Waste Management Division that Crosby Township's "tipping fees appropriation" for the month of January, 2016 was \$579.28. Funds were transferred according to their policy and township resolution #2005-15; debris processed was construction and demolition debris at the New Baltimore landfill site. 7,241 tons of debris were disposed.

Mr. Niehaus had no correspondence to report.

Mr. Heis had no correspondence to report.

Guests and Public:

Sheriff's report:

Sheriff's traffic detail report is as follows: Sergeant Downing reported: in March, 2016 there were a total of 27 traffic violations and 2 domestic violence calls and 1 dog fight; 2 cases were assigned to detectives for investigation and 1 assigned case was closed. \$1,060.00 worth of stolen property was recovered in this time period.

Public at large: No comments

Reports:

Legal: Mr. Trezn reported on clarification concerning township responsibility for indigent burial: if indigent resident is a veteran the County can be asked to pay up to \$1,000 and there currently exists a national cemetery in Dayton, Ohio that will accept burial of indigent persons with the cost to the family of \$100. for transport fees only. In the future the township trustees may consider either of these options in addition to their current policy in a similar situation.

Maintenance Department: no report

Fire/EMS: no report

Community Coordinator: Coordinator Brenda Jackson referenced her official report (see attached).

Fiscal Officer: Mr. Bibbo requested board approval for the audit by the State of Ohio and recommends the "abbreviated audit" at a savings of \$7,540. due to the cost of the full audit being \$11,600. and the abbreviated audit costing \$4,060. Motion by Mr. Niehaus to accept the fiscal officer's recommendation of the abbreviated audit for a savings to the township in the amount of \$7,540. Seconded by: Mr. Heis. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

Zoning: Rick Espel reported six (6) new housing building permits issued in March, 2016.

Old Business: Mr. Dole had no old business to report.

Mr. Niehaus had no old business to discuss.

Mr. Heis reported that he attended a roundtable discussion on March 29, 2016 concerning the Paddy's Run "CAP" railroad crossing safety concern. The total cost for repair/update of the crossing for safety purposes exceeds \$140,000 and Hamilton County and Ohio Rail Development Commission have only earmarked approximately \$50,000 towards this project. Discussions will continue as the Hamilton County Engineer's Office continues to attempt to secure additional funds for the project. Hopes run high for the project completion date to be in July, 2017, if funding can be secured.

New Business:

Mr. Dole: Mr. Dole was contacted by the Ohio Township Association concerning House Bill 302 which severely impacts fire levy revenue; discussion ensued concerning history of fire levy revenue and past compromises agreed to by Township Association; Mr. Dole is looking for support from his fellow trustees to assist him in an alternate proposal, considering needs of township as well as the township's desire to be a good neighbor to nearby municipality of Harrison. Mr. Niehaus and Mr. Heis expressed their support of Mr. Dole and his position. Mr. Dole will continue investigating alternatives.

Mr. Niehaus: Mr. Niehaus reports that at the corner of Fort Scott Boulevard and Benning Road (the island area) there is a situation of safety concerns when school bus retrieves and delivers students; Mr. Niehaus reports his desire for two (2) additional "no parking" signs from bus stop to the corner. Motion by Mr. Niehaus to approve immediate two additional "No Parking" signs' placement at this site as previously described at Fort Scott Boulevard and Benning Rd. Seconded by: Mr. Heis. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Heis had no new business to discuss.

Other Business: Mr. Niehaus, and the entire Board of Trustees, thanked Mr. Warren Strunk for the years of public service offered by his family to the citizens of Crosby Township. Mr. Strunk and his Father, combined, served Crosby Township as Trustees for **53** years. Both wives were presented with lovely "thank you" gifts and Mr. Warren Strunk warmly received the expressions of recognition for his years of service and dedication. All in attendance were appreciative and Mr. Strunk and his family were honored by the sentiments.

There being no further agenda topics and no further comments by the public in attendance, at 7:45pm Mr. Heis moved to adjourn the regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Niehaus. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Next regular meeting: **May 9, 2016 at 7pm.**

ATTEST:

Mr. Dole, President, Board of Trustees

Mr. Bibbo, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Crosby Township concerning and relating to adoptions or resolutions and or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.