

# Crosby Township Board of Trustees

## Regular Meeting Minutes

August 8, 2016

The regular meeting for August 8, 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. Heis to accept the Minutes from the regular meeting held July 11, 2016; Mr. Niehaus 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. Niehaus and seconded by Mr. Heis. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

### **Correspondence. :**

Mr. Dole reports his correspondence from a resident of Fort Scott concerning poor water pressure and the developer's response. CWW can accept comments concerning any possible remedies. Chief Downard is aware of this problem and has attended CWW meetings concerning this situation. Our fire department has addressed any potential problems by carrying additional water etc. into Fort Scott when necessary. Mr. Niehaus will call Mr. Ginty at CWW and Mr. Bass, resident of Fort Scott and will report at next meeting.

Mr. Niehaus had no correspondence to report.

Mr. Heis had no correspondence to report.

### **Guests and Public:**

Sheriff's report: for July , 2016, Sgt. Dave Downing, Hamilton County Sheriff's Office reported: 103 details in July; a few burglary reports; traffic detail for 11 days, typical activity, nothing further.

Public at large: Historical Society (Tony) reports that an historical marker for the old town hall has been approved and a grant is being sought to offset the \$2500.00 cost; probably Spring, 2017 will be the date of purchase and installation. Also, a restorative grant is being sought for the cost of the restoration of the old town hall; this is an ongoing project. Also, the "Discover New Haven" group has continued to work on the appearance of the corner of New Haven and Oxford Roads. The Howard's Creek Rd. bridge on eastside of New Haven needs a "gateway" appearance enhancement similar to the one on the westside of New Haven and this project is being currently reviewed by the "Discover New Haven" group.

Two "Young Life" youth leaders wanted to publicly "thank" the Crosby Twp. Trustees for allowing their organization to conduct their meetings in the Township Community Center, especially since so many of their participants are actually Crosby Township residents.

### **Reports:**

Legal: Mr. Trenz not available for this meeting.

Maintenance Department: reports that the signage and fencing is completed at Shaker Cemetary; also, Harry suggests that the dumpsters in New Baltimore be removed as they are always overflowing with garbage and aren't adequately contained. The dumpsters could be placed at fire department. Other placement sites were discussed. Fiscal Officer reports that the township spends an additional \$100/month due to the improper garbage being placed in the dumpsters. Trustees agree that the dumpsters should be removed from New Baltimore; Motion to remove dumpsters from New Baltimore to the Fire House, if they "fit", or else have them removed totally, made by Mr. Niehaus; seconded by Mr. Heis. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

Fire/EMS: Chief Bruce Downard reports for July Run Report: official report submitted, including EMS transports totaling 31 and 21 fire/rescue runs in July; 7 runs to Miami Whitewater; 52 total emergency responses.

New squad will be delivered in 2017 and has a nine-month production time.

Community Coordinator: Coordinator Brenda Jackson referenced her official report that she submitted. Brenda reported the "tours" the Seniors participated in and grants she has applied for. The Community Center is currently being organized and "cleaned up".

Fiscal Officer: Mr. Bibbo reports that our energy provider, "Premier", has submitted proposals for 2017 so the Trustees will need to decide the best program for the township. Discussion ensued concerning the different options. Motion to accept the "summer fill" option with "Premier" and investigate additional propane tanks for purchase made by Mr. Niehaus; seconded by Mr. Heis. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

Zoning: Mr. Espel reports nine (9) zoning permits in July.

**Old Business:**

None from Mr. Dole.

None from Mr. Niehaus.

Mr. Heis: reports that he was given a tour of the Shaker Farms "Center House" on July 27<sup>th</sup> by a UC professor and the lack of heating during the past few years has deteriorated the building, including the gutters separating from the structure. The Hamilton County Parks are responsible for the structure. The north side of the structure will eventually be repaired. The UC professor will eventually visit the Crosby Township Trustees at a township meeting to report the details. Also, the President of the "Friends of Whitewater Shakers" contacted Crosby concerning the markers in the cemetery, in particular two (2) markers that are being replaced.

**New Business:**

Mr. Dole has no new business.

Mr. Niehaus: reports that the "Johnson grass" along Oxford Rd. is a nuisance; discussion ensued concerning whether "Johnson grass" is noxious and whether the responsibility for the mowing lies with County maintenance or the Great Parks maintenance.

Mr. Heis: none

**Other Business:**

There being no further agenda topics and no further comments by the public in attendance, at 8:02 pm the meeting adjourned with a Motion by Mr. Niehaus, seconded by Mr. Heis. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

Next regular meeting: **September 12, 2016 at 7pm.**

ATTEST:

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Mr. Dole, President, Board of Trustees

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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.