

# Middleton Township Trustees

Wednesday, July 17, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Mr. Vetter 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.*

## VISITOR COMMENTS

- Perrysburg Schools Superintendent Tom Hosler addressed the township officials, staff and visitors in attendance. He presented information with regard to the school's financial and academic structure and status of current levy failures. In addition, he provided statistics on housing and staffing.

## FISCAL OFFICER REPORT

- **Mr. Moulton 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 the June bank reconciliation for review.
- Mrs. Limes indicated she reached out to Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Linda Holmes with regard to a letter being drafted to the property owner of the lot adjacent to the fire station in Dunbridge. Mrs. Holmes indicated the Board could inquire with the owner about any option for purchase.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

- A water line leak was identified at the fire station in Dunbridge.

## EMS DEPARTMENT

- Chief Jerry Saunders noted the department was having scheduling issues for the August shifts. Chief Saunders will be requesting a full-time hire at the August 7 meeting.
- Three spare batteries are being requested due to defective batteries.  
**Mr. Moulton moved, Mr. Vetter seconded a motion to approve the purchase of three spare batteries from P&R at a cost of \$658.63. Motion approved.**

## ROAD DEPARTMENT

- Jeff Eckel, Road Maintenance, noted that ditch bank mowing was on-going.
- Mr. Moulton questioned the status of the Pargillis Road property that suffered the fire. It was noted Mr. McDowell had information, but was not in attendance at the meeting.
- It was determined the one-ton truck would not be repaired.
- Miscellaneous road department equipment will be added to the govdeals items for sale.
- The Fort Meigs Road trees were reviewed with Jeff Eckel noting the 'trees are a mess' and Chase Greulich was to have gathered some quotes for removal of same.

## ZONING DEPARTMENT

- Zoning Inspector Kip McDowell was not in attendance and the Trustees are questioning the status of the tear down of the home damaged by the fire months ago.
- Mr. Moulton noted he spoke with the receiver of the ISO Impact house on River Road. The house is scheduled to be listed for sale in August and the lawn is to be mowed as needed until it is sold. An online auction for property on the premises is scheduled to conclude next week.
- The Midway Animal Hospital variance was discussed, noting the variance for parking was approved, and the owners are discussing stormwater issues with the county engineers' office.

## VISITOR COMMENTS

- Ross Fought questioned the site plan review process and also shared his concerns/cautions regarding the Board allowing future development.

## OLD BUSINESS

- The Trustees reviewed information with regard to prohibiting cannabis. An informational dinner meeting has been set for August 21.  
**Mr. Moulton moved, Mr. Cromley seconded a motion to approve the Trustees attend the Northwest Ohio Mayors & Managers Association update on recreational marijuana on August 21. Motion approved.** Mrs. Limes will submit the reservation for the meeting portion only.

- Further discussion on the potential development of property on Devils Holes Road revolved around a potential energy storage facility.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- The Trustees were informed that St. Rt. 582 will be closed for 60 days beginning August 14.
- Mr. Moulton indicated that TMACOG will be phasing in a new three-year plan. Rebranding will occur and staffing needs addressed.
- The township will be represented at the Wood County Fair on July 29 from 10 am – 2 pm at the Township Association Shelter. Mrs. Limes is coordinating the gift basket from Middleton, Center and Plain Townships.
- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Cromley seconded a motion to approve a special meeting for the purpose of review of facilities for Wednesday, July 24 at 9:00 a.m. Motion approved.** Mrs. Limes will submit the meeting notice to the newspaper and website.

**Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Moulton seconded a motion to move to executive session for the purpose of personnel discussion at 7:39 p.m. Role was called: Mr. Cromley – YES; Mr. Moulton – YES; Mr. Vetter – YES**

The Board returned to regular session at 8:39 p.m.

**Mr. Cromley moved, Mr. Vetter seconded adjournment of the meeting at 8:40 pm. Motion approved.**

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Michael Moulton, Trustee

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Donald E. Cromley, Vice Chairman

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Fred E. Vetter, Chairman

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Laurie L. Limes, Fiscal Officer