

Spencer Township Trustee Meeting

January 3, 2019

Chairperson of the Board, Shawn P. Valentine called the meeting to order.

Trustee Valentine vacated his office and turned the meeting over to the Fiscal Officer.

The Fiscal Officer opened the floor to nominations for the Chairperson of the Board. Trustee Bettinger nominated Shawn Valentine as the Chairperson of the Board, Trustee Hood seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: abstain.

The meeting was turned over to Trustee Valentine as the Chairperson of the Board.

Trustee Valentine opened the floor to nominations for Vice Chairperson of the Board. Trustee Bettinger nominated Trustee Hood as Vice Chairperson, Trustee Valentine seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Valentine stated Township meetings would be held the first and third Thursdays at 630 N. Meilke Road, Holland, Ohio 43528. The meeting start time is 7:00pm. Trustee hood made the motion, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Bettinger made a motion that the Trustee Board would be paid their monthly pay the first Thursday of the month, Trustee Hood seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Roll Call

Trustee Michael B. Hood	present
Trustee Teresa M. Bettinger	present
Trustee Shawn P. Valentine	present

Pledge to the Flag

Minutes

Trustee Hood made a motion to accept the minutes with any necessary corrections. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Financials

Payments	\$26,066.58
Receipts	\$12,400.12

Fund Balances

General	\$618,968.09
Motor Vehicle Tax	\$19,614.80
Gas Tax	\$99,158.12
Fire	\$150,282.54
Permissive Motor Tax	\$100,775.34
Misc. Capital Projects	<u>\$36,694.50</u>
	\$1,025,493.39

Trustee Hood made a motion to accept the financials with necessary corrections, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Pay the Bills

Trustee Bettinger made a motion to pay the bills, Trustee Hood seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Zoning

Zoning Consultant, Jacob Barnes, gave the zoning report. It is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Barnes gave a review of 2018 and an update of where we are today in the Zoning Department.

Mr. Barnes mentioned he would meet with the Harding Township Zoning Inspector to see if the Townships can collaborate.

Road

Leaf pick up is almost complete. It should be completed tomorrow.

Fire

Chief Barry Cousino submitted the fire report. It is attached to these minutes.

JEDZ

No meeting

Correspondence

The Trustee Board voted on the OTARMA Board members.

The Township received notification of 2 meetings for the Ohio EPA Citizens Advisory. The meeting for water quality impacts from U.S. 20A construction will be January 10, 2019 and the meeting regarding Envirosafe expansion will be held January 8, 2019.

TMACOG general assembly meeting will be held on January 28, 2019.

The Township will receive \$18,304.30 for Local Government Services in 2019.

The Toledo Lucas County health Department submitted the 2019 semipublic sewage treatment system operation and maintenance fee. The Township was assessed \$0.

Republic Services and Buckeye Broadband will both increase their costs in 2019.

Old Business

The title for the freightliner fire engine is needed to get it put on Gov Deals. The Fiscal Officer will ensure the title is obtained.

Trustee Valentine explained the Township needs to assist with the funding of the Drennen ditch project. The silt needs to be removed from the ditch. The cost of the project will be \$120,000. He read resolution 2019-103 for the funding by the Township to complete the project. Trustee Hood made the motion, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Valentine explained the Metroparks denied access to the ditch along their property.

New Business

Trustee Hood made a motion to go into executive session at 7:39pm to discuss employee matters, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Bettinger made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:53, Trustee Hood seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Valentine explained Road employee, Mark Cerda, gave his letter of resignation. He will be employed on call.

William Brazeau's resume was discussed and Trustee Valentine offered a motion to hire him at \$15.75/hour for the first 90 days and after that he will earn \$19/hour. Trustee made the motion to hire, Trustee seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Hood made a motion to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation at 7:57, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Hood made a motion to come out of executive session at 8:08pm, Trustee Bettinger seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Trustee Valentine explained the history of the Carlton Arnold case against the Township. He sued the Township, and one of Mr. Arnold's concerns was his severance package needed to be enforced. Trustee Valentine explained that is illegal according to the Ohio Revised Code to offer severance packages.

There is a trial date set for February 17, 2019

Trustee Bettinger made a motion to allow our insurance company provided through OTARMA to additionally represent us in the Carlton Arnold case, Trustee Hood seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

A police report will be filed for missing equipment from the maintenance garage.

Trustee Bettinger made a motion to that all payroll will be electronic, Trustee Hood seconded. Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

Open to the Public

Jack Gulvas, resident, asked if the property given to the parks could be given back to the Township. Trustee Valentine explained the parks will do what they want although the Township did offer an unsuccessful land swap. They offered to buy, but not swap.

James Morgan, resident, asked if the JEDZ meeting from November had minutes available. He also wanted minutes from zoning. We will get the minutes for him.

Ray Palawczyk, resident, asked if a County Commissioner could be sued personally when they are out of office.

Trustee Bettinger made a motion to adjourn at 8:20pm, Trustee Hood seconded.
Roll call vote: Trustee Hood: yes, Trustee Bettinger: yes, Trustee Valentine: yes.

X

Dawn E. McDonald
Fiscal Officer

X

Shawn P. Valentine
Chairperson of the Board of Trustees

X

Michael B. Hood
Vice Chairperson of the Board of Trustees

X

Teresa M. Bettinger
Trustee