

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

MUNSON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO 10148

Held Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Chairman Andy Bushman called the meeting to order at 6:30pm, with Trustees Jim McCaskey and Irene McMullen and Fiscal Officer Judy Toth present. Mr. Bushman led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Board signed warrant 15621, dated 3/29/18 for \$150.00 and EFT Vouchers 100-108 for the 3/23/18 biweekly payroll totaling \$10,417.52, between meetings. The Trustees signed warrants 15622-15650 and 15679-15680 totaling \$22,976.95, EFT Vouchers 125-133 totaling \$10,066.83 for the 4/6/18 biweekly payroll, and warrant 1275 dated 4/10/18 for \$3,591.99 to transfer EMS collections from the lockbox. [Fiscal Officer's note: in 2017, paper warrants 15651-15678 were used in error for system warrants 15151-15178; to correct the error, paper warrants 15151-15178 were rendered unusable and filed in sequence with the vouchers, and system warrants 15651-15678 were skipped and voided in the system.] After the Pledge of Allegiance, due to the large number of persons present, the Trustees temporarily moved the meeting to the community room.

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEW MEMBERS AND OFFICERS SWORN IN

Interim Chief Mike Vatty welcomed the family members and community supporters who were present and turned the proceedings over to Board Member Jon Sague. Mr. Sague introduced the newest board member Rich Ferlin, and swore in Mike Vatty as interim Fire Chief. Chief Vatty swore in new fire department members, Cody Weisbarth, Joe DiCorpo, and Charles Ferroni. He recognized John Bitonti, a 40-year member, for his dedication and service to the department and presented him with a gift certificate. He asked for a round of applause for administrative secretary Laura Marsic and invited everyone to the fire station for refreshments. The meeting reconvened at 6:48pm in the meeting room.

CEMETERY DEEDS

The Board signed deeds to Richard L & Marsha W Geisheimer for Lot 343, Graves 15 & 16, in Fowlers Mill II Cemetery; and Molly F Francis for Lot 320, Grave 9, in Maple Hill III Cemetery.

RECYCLING CENTER

Resident Aaron Koehler, who lives across the street from the new recycling center, raised concerns about the unsightly appearance of the bins, the noise, the odor, and the steady stream of traffic, and discussed the negative impact it has had on his property and family. He did not bring his concerns to the Township sooner as a news article led him to believe that this was to be a temporary location. Resident Tom Norton affirmed the negative impact on Sherman Road residents and gave the board a letter from the Nagel family who could not be present. Mr. Bushman explained that this was not the temporary location referenced in the article. Mrs. McMullen noted that recycling has been the source of much discussion and many problems. Tucking the location further back would not eliminate the noise, odor, or traffic. The Board will inquire if the county is considering opening up a site, and will look at the Munson Township Park as a possible location. The driveway may be too close to the property line for this to be a consideration.

CHARDON SCHOOLS LEVY

Dr. Mike Hanlon gave a slide presentation on the proposed 3.9 mill continuous levy for day to day operations for the Chardon Local Schools, which will be on the May ballot. The state sees us as a wealthy community and, as a result, state support will be cut significantly, \$1,000,000 per year going forward. To offset anticipated deficits, and due to declining enrollment, the schools will be reconfigured. The additional levy and reconfiguration will allow the school system to maintain its excellent rating and to continue to operate without cutbacks as state support declines. Several supporters of the levy and Chardon Board of Education Members were also present. A member of Citizens for Chardon Schools passed out endorsement forms.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT/INTERIM CHIEF MIKE VATTY

Interim Chief Vatty reported a downed tree on Auburn Road, which took out the power lines, leaving several residents without power and a few temporarily without access to their homes until the road could be re-opened. The fire station was on backup power and lost internet service for 12 hours. They used social media to put information out and will consider doing more of this in the future. The school bus route was also addressed during the incident.

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ROAD REPORT/SUPERINTENDENT JIM TEICHMAN

Mr. Teichman asked the board to approve contracts for road materials and catch basins. There was no bidder for virgin asphalt concrete due to the merger of Ronyak and Kokosing. The Township may expend up to \$50,000 to one or more vendors for materials without bidding it out.

Jim McCaskey moved and Irene McMullen seconded to award a contract to Arms Trucking for road materials from May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019 [per quoted bid prices], with a unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Jim McCaskey moved and Irene McMullen seconded to award a contract to Jim Szuskiewicz for catch basins and headwalls [per quoted bid prices], with a unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Teichman purchased two code scan readers for large trucks and smaller vehicles for \$485 and \$489 with scrap iron money. The scan readers are updatable through the laptop at no additional cost. Two radios are missing from their chargers and were reported stolen to the sheriff and insurance company. The quote for new radios and a charging base is \$4,177.70. He had the stolen radios turned off so that they could not be used for personal use. Quotes to repair the fence and landscaping at Maple Hill Cemetery, damaged in an accident, were S.A.M. Landscaping \$980, and Chardon Welding, \$1,660 for the fence. The insurance company accepted the quotes. Chester Township will take the lead on the Issue 2 Heath Road resurfacing project. A pipe will be replaced near Kim Drive, and Mr. Teichman will get estimates and contact Chester Township to work out how to split the cost and labor. He asked the Trustees to authorize reimbursement for mileage for two employees to attend the Work Zone Safety seminar on April 19.

Mr. McCaskey left the meeting at approximately 7:40pm for a family emergency.

Irene McMullen moved and Andy Bushman seconded to reimburse one road department employee for mileage to attend the Work Zone Safety seminar, with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried.

The road department will clean out the cul-de-sac at Boulder Glen. The homeowners will landscape the area and take on the responsibility for its maintenance. M. Teichman asked the Board to approve \$155 to Vatty Tree and Landscape to grind the stumps. Irene McMullen moved and Andy Bushman seconded to approve \$155 to Vatty Tree and Landscape in Chesterland for stump grinding, with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried.

Mr. Teichman asked the board to approve \$450 to William Horvath for bee and wasp prevention for the parks and all buildings with wood siding. He planned to try bee traps on one building. If this does not work, he will have the building sprayed. Irene McMullen moved and Andy Bushman seconded to encumber \$450 to Bill Horvath for bee spraying, with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried.

The Township received a letter from the Geauga County Sheriff's office regarding private roads Harvard, Princeton and Yale, which Fairmount Minerals took over to expand their mining operations. The letter requested that the roads be abandoned to avoid confusion with other similarly named roads in the county. Mr. Teichman suggested that the Township make a motion that the Township never owned the roads and has no interest.

Mr. Teichman had quotes for a ventilation fan for Building No. 2.

He asked about ball field preparation. Mrs. McMullen inquired if he had received a response from Chardon High School or the Chardon Baseball League regarding shared costs. She did not want to schedule the work without their commitment.

PARK TRAILS

The NatureWorks Grant is not due, but Mrs. McMullen wanted to begin work on the application. The Board will address her request at the April 24 meeting.

POLLING LOCATION

Irene McMullen moved and Andy Bushman seconded to authorize the Geauga County Board of Elections to use the Munson Township community room as a polling location for the May 8, 2018 election, with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried.

JIM O'NEILL APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Irene McMullen moved and Andy Bushman seconded to appoint Jim O'Neill as an alternate to the Munson Township Board of Zoning Appeals for a two-year term through December 31, 2019, with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried.

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2018 SCHOLARSHIPS

The Scholarship Committee, Frank Gliha, Andy Bushman and Jim O'Neill interviewed the candidates and recommended that all twelve receive \$500 scholarships. Irene McMullen moved and Andy Bushman seconded to accept the recommendations of the scholarship committee and to award the scholarships as presented, with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried.

DRONES AT TOWNSHIP PARKS

Mrs. McMullen has not found any useful information, but will continue her research.

MARCH FINANCIAL REPORT

Irene McMullen moved and Andy Bushman seconded to approve the Fiscal Officer's monthly report for March 2018, with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried.

PAVILION RENTALS

Irene McMullen moved and Andy Bushman seconded to rent the Emmons pavilion to the Mapletown Square Dancers (Hooper) for workshops May 29, June 5, 12, 19, 26, July 10, 17, 24, 31, and August 14, 21, 28, 2018 (all Tuesdays) for approx. 50-60 persons, and to waive the fees, with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried.

Irene McMullen moved and Andy Bushman seconded to rent the Emmons pavilion to the Mapletown Square Dancers (Hooper) on July 15 and August 12, 2018 for approx. 50-60 persons, and to waive the fees, with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried.

SOCCER FIELD LEASE

Irene McMullen moved and Andy Bushman seconded to lease the soccer field at the Munson Township Park to the City of Chardon Park & Recreation Department (Rodriguez) April 11 through May 5, 2018, Wednesday and Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings for practices only, with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried. Certificate of Insurance attached.

ENCUMBRANCE SHEET

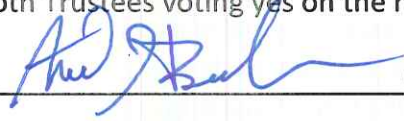
Irene McMullen moved and Jim Andy Bushman seconded to approve the encumbrance sheet for April 10, 2018, as follows:

Other – Dues and Fees	Blanket – Water Tests, Etc.	100.00
Waste Management	Park Rubbish Service	2,000.00
Gas Utility – Road Dept.	Blanket	979.71
Vatty Tree Service	Stump Grinding	155.00
Bill Horvath	Bee Spraying	450.00

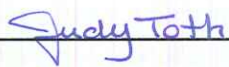
with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Irene McMullen moved and Andy Bushman seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm, with both Trustees voting yes on the roll call. Motion carried.



Chairman



Fiscal Officer