HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES 45955 STATE ROUTE 162 WELLINGTON OHIO 44090



Minutes of February 6, 2017

The Huntington Township Trustees met in regular scheduled session at 7:00 PM at the Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM with the pledge of Allegiance by Walter Rollin. Also present were: Robert Holmes, Jed Lamb, Sheila Lanning, Dimitri Szynal, Dennis Finkel, Frances Rollin, Carl Strekely, Deputy Vansant.

Motion by Holmes with a second by Lamb to approve the minutes of the regular scheduled meeting January 16, 2017 as written. Roll call: 3 yeas. *Motion* by Holmes with a second by Lamb to approve the January Financial reports showing revenue of \$22,411.55 and expenditures of \$8,968.25 and bank balance of \$229,551.47. Roll call: 3 yeas. Warrants (7713-7735) and charges totaling \$11,079.56 were examined and approved for payment.

Deputy Vansant presented information on the apprehension of suspects in recent burglaries. There were 14 incidents in the Township in January. Project life saver for tracking people that wonder due to Alzheimer, Autism, Asperger diseases. There is a \$10.00 a month cost but help can be sought through the Lyons Club. Life flight donates time to the project, more information contact Lorain County Sheriff's Office, a local Lion's Club, or write to Project Lifesaver Lorain County, P.O. Box 273, Amherst, OH 44001. There also is a <u>Facebook page at</u> <u>Project Lifesaver Lorain County</u>. Szynal asked if the Sheriff ride through the Township more to promote a presence.

COMMUNICATIONS: Lorain County Township Association meeting 2/16/2017. Spencer Feed annual trade show April 7 & 8. Polen Implement annual event 2/8/2017. Wellington Implement annual event 2/7/2017. Tomorrow at United Methodist Church in Wellington is a presentation on the heroin epidemic in our County. Land owners Pipeline meeting in Wakeman March 8th at Library.

Rollin reported: Received two calls of the upcoming annual stone bids. Roller is sold, Lanning drafted bill of sale and contacted Twin Township. Website and Facebook have not been updated by new maintenance company. Lanning unable to find time to meet with Cravener Creative. Lamb will contact and work with Cravener. Discussion on putting a levy on the November ballot for roads. Holmes asked Rollin what is the reason for the levy, there are people who do not live on Township roads and they probably would not like the levy. Rollin said we need to pass a resolution to ask the Auditor what revenue we would get from certain millage first. Lamb and Lanning were not in favor of a levy. *Motion* by Holmes with a second by Rollin to pass *Resolution 2017-27* requesting the Auditor to certify the revenue generated by .25 mill(s) for 5 years. Roll call: 3 yeas. Motion by Holmes with a second by Rollin to pass Resolution 2017-28 requesting the Auditor certify the revenue generated by 1 mill (s) for 5 years. Roll call: 3 yeas. In the absence of the Zoning Inspector Finkel there were two requests for permits. Nemeth building a home and John Rollin building a home on Stewart Road. John Rollin asked for clarification on who pays for culvert pipe. Finkel stated pipe is paid for by the resident and the Township installs the pipe to make sure it meets specifications. Thank you to Dimitri Szynal for stepping up while Dennis Finkel was absent. Asked about the salt supply, Dimitri said given the weather the salt supply is good. Thank you from Mrs. Vance for the \$25.00 recycling gift card she won in January. The cremation of Jackie Hopkins was a miscommunication. Szynal dug the hole for the cremation burial and a family member said she was not even cremated yet. The hole was filled in.

Holmes reported: Two meetings with the Fire Chief on the Ambulance program that starts March 1, 2017. Ambulance hired full time Medic and Paramedic, have 3 thumper devices

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and prepared for change to two person crew at night. The Fire District provided 111 backup and 78 criterion runs for the Ambulance District in 2016. The Ambulance had 1310 runs in 2016. The new program with shorten the response time by 6-10 minutes. Lamb stated support of the Ambulance District efforts to decrease response time. Discussion on any interest in expanding the recycling building. The recycling fund can be used for the expansion. Asked if any interest in a plow for the pickup and a V plow for the road grader. Suggested thinking over all the issues and levy brought up. Dottie Pogorelc purchased a house in Wellington and has volunteered to represent the Township on the Thrive and Southern Lorain County Senior office on aging boards. *Motion* by Holmes with a second by Rollin to pass *Resolution 2017-29* to appoint Dottie Pogorelc to Thrive and Office on aging boards. Roll call: 3 yeas. LCTA talked about culverts being funded by district dollars, maybe we can get more done. There is a county \$300,000.00 grant for septic systems. Letter from Lorain County Prosecutor Office regarding the use of FMLA and sick time for Dennis Finkel.

Lamb reported: Thank you for going to training in Columbus. It was an eye opener, very interesting meeting about Medical Marijuana. There is no zoning amendments needed for the issue of growing Marijuana in the Township. There was a class on Township revenue sources. Received the Ohio Township Personnel Management Sourcebook. Checked on fuel at Sunrise and Town and Country and they are both competitive priced. Both the Water and LORCO board meeting are coming up.

Fiscal Officer reported: Purchase order for \$10,000.00 for Stone Salt and Patch from the maintenance line in Gas Fund. The amount budgeted for Stone Salt Patch from both Gas fund and Road and Bridge fund totaled \$38,550.00 and the amount budgeted for chip and seal (contracted services) from both Gas fund and Road and Bridge fund totaled \$48,000.00. Lamb clarified that there is \$68,550.00 to work on the roads. Zoning Commission board member Steve Eichinger interested in being reappointed. Motion by Rollin with a second by Holmes to reappoint Steve Eichinger to the Zoning Commission Board term ending 12/31/2021. Roll call: 3 yeas. Zoning Board of Appeals has five Board members; however, with Dottie Pogorelc leaving there is no Alternative. Discussion on the attendance of the current five members, Holmes suggested Chairman of the Board discuss with members at February 15th meeting. NOACA second notice for annual membership fee \$206.00. Holmes said to wait for paying. Armstrong notice of rate increase and 4th guarter 2016 Franchise fee \$2,514.72. Received OTARMA renewal of Legal Defense, Claim payment agreement and Governmental Property agreement effective 12/17/2016. Also received OTARMA 2016 excess capital distribution \$674.00, \$679.05 for backhoe incident claim and \$493.00 for 2016 Safety grant reimbursement of road signs and cones. Provided Lorain County Engineer 2016 Bridge Inspection reports. Filed 2016 annual financial reports with Auditor of State and posted in newspaper for public. Provided annual Treasurer Report to Trustees showing activity for 2016 compared to 2015. Talked with Twin Township Fiscal Officer regarding paperwork for sale of the Gallion roller. A bill of sale drafted for \$5,000.00 sale price, a check will be provided when they take possession. Received public records request for payroll of all employees in 2016, will ask legal advice on the validity of the request and respond in a timely fashion. The Bureau of Workers Compensation annual true up is due 2/15/2017, there may be additional money needed once the calculations are entered. The Township has already paid BWC estimated annual amount for 2017. Completed and passed out 1095-B. Received Boundary and Annexation survey from U.S. Census Bureau. Entered 2016 recycling figures in the web site Re-Track for Lorain County Solid Waste Management District; 77.02 tons were recycled in the Township. Received the annual certificate

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of membership in Ohio Cooperative Purchasing. West Bend project status request letter returned with the Bergman final contract price \$118,200.00. Letter from Lorain County Engineer on new OUPS process where requests will come to Township from Ohio Utilities Protection Service directly. OPERS has a new blog for public employees.

Road Foreman reported: Will meet with Mel way contractor to discuss 2017 chip and seal needs in the Township. Lorain County Engineer not yet able to compose needs of Township Roads. Doctor will probably allow return to work with restrictions next week. Holmes asked for paperwork on restrictions.

Zoning Inspector reported: none

Public comments: Frances Rollin stated the United Church of Huntington involved in the Link program. Carl Strekely thanked everyone for the road efforts and glad Dennis Finkel back.

Name drawn for \$25.00 Marathon gift card is Hines.

Motion by Lamb with a second by Holmes to adjourn. All favorable, meeting adjourned at 8:58 PM.

Signed Chairman

Attest, Fiscal Officer