



**GERMAN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JULY 9, 2018**

The REGULAR MEETING was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Board President Jacob Stubbs at 7:01 p.m. The meeting was held at the German Township Hall located at 12102 St. Rt. 725 West, Germantown, OH 45327. Attendees included:

Trustee Jacob Stubbs	Trustee Mark Cross	Trustee Abra Reed
Fiscal Officer Mark Keener	Police Chief Joseph Andzik	Road Supt. Jeremy Holbrook

Zoning Inspector Valorie Hill was absent as she was attending the Miami Twp. BZA meeting as a training session.

**VISITORS:**

Name	Address	Name	Address
Steve Mersch	7347 Weaver Rd.	Lynn Cleveland	11858 Oxford Road

**VISTOR COMMENTS:**

**Steve Mersch** – Mr. Mersch is helping to organize the annual Twisted Pretzel Ride. This is a bike ride event which raises money for local food banks. Mr. Mersch asked the Board and the German Township Police Dept. to provide assistance to direct traffic during the event.

**FISCAL OFFICER REPORT:**

1. Correspondence In:
  - OTA – June “Grassroot Clippings”
  
2. Correspondence Out:
  - Germantown Press – Meeting Reminders
  - Monthly – IRS, State, School, OPERS reports and payments
  
3. Distribute Financial Reports – 2018 YTD Cash Summary by Fund and Fund Status.
  - MOTION to approve the financial reports and authorize the payments of the bills, checks 49083 to 49131, including payroll direct deposit and payroll tax/withholding EFT’s and other electronic payments was introduced by Jake Stubbs and seconded by Mark Cross. After discussion – MOTION PASSED
  
4. A MOTION to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2018 REGULAR meeting as submitted was introduced by Jake Stubbs and seconded by Mark Cross. After discussion - MOTION PASSED.

5. A MOTION to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2018 SPECIAL meeting as submitted was introduced by Jake Stubbs and seconded by Mark Cross. After discussion - MOTION PASSED.
6. A MOTION to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2018 SPECIAL meeting as submitted was introduced by Jake Stubbs and seconded by Mark Cross. After discussion - MOTION PASSED.
7. Audit Update – Auditors should be finishing up their fieldwork late this week or early next week. They had to spend a couple of days away due to our internet issues and their own schedules. So far, so good – nothing to note at this point.
8. Apparently the Township Hall suffered some sort of lightning strike on July 2, 2018. This has damaged some of our internet equipment which (as of this morning) was still in the process of being repaired/replaced. This is also a good reminder to double check some of our protections in place for backups, surge protection, etc. Not sure what the cost is going to be, but if it's significant, we will check with our insurance carrier about covering part of it. I would like a decision (motion) from the Trustees on how to allocate the repair cost amongst our various departments/funds.
9. I would like to expand the number of items that we pay automatically via electronic payments. I would like the Trustees' approval to do this. Accordingly, **RESOLUTION 2018-27 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO AUTHORIZE AUTOMATIC PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL TOWNSHIP OBLIGATIONS INCLUDING DAYTON POWER & LIGHT, AFLAC, LIBERTY NATIONAL INSURANCE AND ANY OTHER OBLIGATION THAT HE DEEMS APPROPRIATE** was introduced by Mark Cross and seconded by Jacob Stubbs. After discussion, the roll was called and the adoption vote was as follows: Mr. Stubbs – YES, Mr. Cross – YES, Mrs. Reed – YES. **RESOLUTION 2018-27 PASSED.**
10. The Montgomery County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) have voted to increase the County Sales Tax by .25% which will bring in an estimated additional \$19.1M into the County's General Fund. This action was taken after the County lost approximately \$9M in other sales tax revenues. The "extra \$10M" is earmarked for "pre-school promise, infrastructure improvements and economic development" according to Sam Braun.  
  
I have spoken with Steve Woolf (MCTA) about the Townships in the County petitioning the BCC about directing some of the "extra money" back to the Townships to be used on infrastructure improvements and economic development efforts that we might deem important. Mr. Woolf was in favor of this and was going to call an emergency meeting of the MCTA to discuss this. I haven't heard from him since June 29 – has he contacted Mr. Stubbs about this? If so, is there any more information to share?
11. I haven't gotten our new domain name set up or set up the email, but will do so before the next meeting. I am also looking at "Microsoft Office 365 for Governments" to host the email if pricing is reasonable. Otherwise I will be contacting Interlink Advantage (our current hardware/network support).
12. Are we going to run the Road Levy again in November? If so, we need a Resolution to send to the Auditor to certify the funds that will be generated as well as schedule a special meeting to vote to put it on the ballot. Accordingly, **RESOLUTION 2018-28 – A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE CERTIFY TO GERMAN TOWNSHIP IN MONTGOMERY**

**COUNTY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF GERMAN TOWNSHIP IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY A ROAD DISTRICT LEVY, A TWO (2) MILL ADDITIONAL LEVY, FOR A PERIOD OF 5 YEARS, BEGINNING TAX YEAR 2018, WITH FIRST HALF COLLECTION IN 2019, FOR THE PURPOSE OF "FOR THE GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, RESURFACING, AND REPAIR OF STREETS, ROADS, AND BRIDGES IN MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS, COUNTIES OR TOWNSHIPS;" AS AUTHORIZED IN ORC SECTION 5705.19(G), TO BE VOTED ON THE NOVEMBER 6, 2018 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT** was introduced by Abra Reed and seconded by Jacob Stubbs. The roll was called and the adoption vote was as follows: Mr. Stubbs – YES, Mr. Cross – YES, Mrs. Reed – YES.  
**RESOLUTION 2018-28 PASSED.**

13. Mr. Keener reminded the Board of the following "dates to remember":

- Next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting – August 13, 2018
- MCTA Meeting at German Township – August 16, 2018

14. Mr. Keener reminded the Board to sign the Minutes, Bank Recs and the Purchase Orders.

**POLICE REPORT:**

Chief Andzik had nothing to report this month.

**ROAD / SERVICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

Mr. Holbrook reported the following:

- The Road Department has begun applying crack filler on the Township Roads as part of the 2018 crack seal program. We are approximately 1/3 of the way done with this project.
- The Road Department has replaced 40' of 18" culvert under Sigal Road. Currently the pipe is backfilled with gravel, but the Road Department will be patching the pavement with asphalt in the next couple of weeks.
- The Road Department has completed its second round of road side ditch mowing.
- Mr. Holbrook asked if Channel 2 had been contacted regarding their request for an interview regarding the Road Levy.
- The Township phone system and internet was struck by lightning on July 3. Several pieces of hardware were damaged as a result of the strike. InterLink has been working on the repairs and should be finished by the end of the week. I have been in contact with OTARMA and PERSO to file a claim for the damages. (The Township deductible is \$500.00).
- The Road & Service Department is staying busy mowing Township cemeteries and Township Hall weekly.

**ZONING DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

A copy of Ms. Hill's report is attached.

**TRUSTEE STUBBS REPORT:**

Mr. Stubbs reported the following:

- Pool Meeting was cancelled.
- Someone attending a funeral at the Germantown Union Cemetery fell and had to be taken to the hospital.

**TRUSTEE CROSS REPORT:**

Mr. Cross reported the following:

- Mr. Cross has done some research on converting the Township buildings to natural gas. It will cost approximately \$3000 to install the gas lines from the main across the road. It will be an additional \$1665 to convert the furnace to burn natural gas instead of propane.

**TRUSTEE REED REPORT:**

Mrs. Reed reported the following:

- Mrs. Reed helped with the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade in Germantown.

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

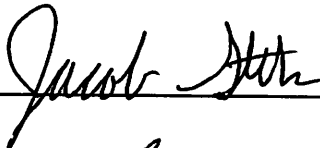
**NEW BUSINESS: NONE**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE**

**PURCHASE ORDERS WERE SIGNED.**

**MEETING ADJOURNED:**

With no further business, the Meeting Adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Signed: 

Attest: 

## **Zoning Report to the Board of Trustees**

### **9 July 2018**

Submitted by  
Valorie Hill, Zoning Inspector

1. The next BZA meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2018 if needed. There will be no BZA meeting in July as there are no cases to hear. The ZC was to have a meeting on July 3<sup>rd</sup> but only 2 members attended and we could not hold the meeting. This ZC meeting will be rescheduled. The next regularly scheduled ZC meeting will be October 2, 2018 starting at 7:00 PM.
2. We all met our new Prosecutor Office representative, Nathaniel Peterson, for a meeting on June 13, 2018. I am excited to have an enthusiastic contact to serve our legal needs.
3. I have a meeting on July 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 with the MVRPC to discuss benefits of membership. If anyone is interested in attending this meeting with me, please give me a call.
4. I am in the process of learning the Zoning Violation and Nuisance Abatement Processes. It is slow, but going.
5. I received a call from Aaron Flory from the Montgomery Co. Public Health Department on June 15. He visited the Blessing family property at 8056 Lower Miamisburg Road and he found no issue with manure or odor issues. He closed the case.
6. I have not heard back from the professor at Ohio State about my specific questions regarding our back yard poultry regulations. I think I can get my questions answered tonight at the Miami Township meeting so I hope to have a recommendation by the August meeting.
7. We have implemented our new zoning permit program IWorQ at the end of June. This is a web based program. I have to work a bit more with the system, but I think it will provide some great information for us in the future.
8. I have not yet written a “Zoning” article for the Facebook page yet. I hope to accomplish this in August. The title will be Zoning, Swimming Pools & You.