

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held at 1219 St. Rt. 183 in Atwater, Ohio on January 8th 2013

The Atwater Township Trustees held their regular scheduled meeting on January 8, 2012 at 7:00 pm at the Atwater Town Hall located at 1219 State Route 183 Atwater, Ohio 44201.

ATTENDANCE

Trustee Dan Derreberry, Trustee John Kovacich, Fiscal Officer Tracy Magrell, Martha Bevard, Naomi Wise, Paula Baughman, Zoning Inspector Jim Donovan, Fire Chief Mel Russell, Tom Thomas, Jesse Baughman, Ron Stanfield and Emma Stanfield.

John called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call Dan: yes. Lynn: absent. John: yes.

Pledge and prayer were offered by all.

John read the minutes of the December 28, 2012 meeting. John made a motion to accept. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

John read the minutes of the January 2, 2013 reorganizational meeting. Dan asked that Mel be added as chief and he thinks it was overlooked at the last meeting. There was confusion on whether or not this motion was made. John asked if it was on the recording. Tracy said yes it would be on the recording.

Dan made a motion to table the reorganizational minutes until next meeting. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. John; yes.

FINANCIAL

Tracy stated that the UAN soft ware has been updated and only payroll and the payroll register completed at this time.

Lynn Allen spoke regarding a grant available for the park thru Portage County Recycling and provided Dan with the information. Dan said the Township will also be applying for the 1023 Natureworks grant. The next park meeting will be held on February 21, 2013 at 7⁰⁰ pm at the Town Hall.

COMMUNICATIONS

John received a letter from Linda Baliff on small government grant information for the Hillcrest allotment. Deadline to apply is February 1, 2013.

Grass Root Clipping monthly newsletter

Road sign pricing from Lighte Enterprises

LTAP monthly newsletter

Josh Mandel-Starr program

BWC-Annual record keeping report due February 1, 2013

DAS-weekly updates

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Old Business
None at this time

New Business

Mel turned in the December fuel report and run report with a total of 21 incidents. The FD had a total of 274 calls for 2012. That total is up 13 from 2011. Mel estimated 85% of calls for 2012 were EMS and 15% fire related.

John made a motion for Tom Nellis to attend at two day arson seminar in Ashland on February 23 and 24, 2013. Cost of the seminar is \$90.00 for both days; \$144.00 for hotel for both days plus meals. Tom can pay with his personal credit card and be reimbursed. Tom asked Tracy for a tax exempt form for the hotel. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. John; yes.
Motion carried.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Old Business

John spoke to Anthony Zumbo and they will be looking at German Church Bridge in the future.

Jim spoke to Chris Meduri regarding the Walter Smith property and it is in line for sheriff sale. The township will be notified by mail when this happens.

Dan discussed Land Bank procedures. Jim will add the Fairview property to the list.

Tracy suggested that road department provide a monthly report for informational purposes. John said this is a good idea to let keep us informed on burials, lots sold etc. John will also get information on signs replaced.

John said the township yearly inventory will be held this Saturday morning.

CEMETERY AND REAL ESTATE**ADMINISTRATION**

Dan reported that board of Solid Waste and Recycling is ready to present a contract to Portage County EPA for submittal.

Tracy received another invoice from Lifegas. John will call them.

John has not received a date for audit.

John made a motion to hold a special meeting on Monday January 14, 2013 to pay bills only. Second by Dan.

Roll call Dan; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

John made a motion to accept BC 1-2013 thru 6-2013 from various funds for operating supplies totaling \$5,700.00 expiring 3/31/2013. Second by Dan.
Roll call Dan; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

John made a motion to pay warrants 31427 thru 31450 totaling \$10,717.35 for payroll. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Andy Hill will hold a meeting Monday evening January 14, 2013 at the high school media center to discuss the levy.

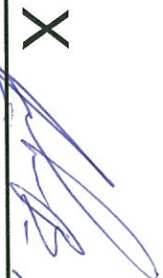
John made a motion to pay bills at 8:29 pm. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. John; yes. Motion carried.

Tom Nellis asked if there was a problem with the Trustees when it comes to the Fire Department since they did not get a raise this year. Road department and housekeeping did receive another raise. Paula stated that she is receiving \$10.40 an hour and the town hall janitor is making \$11.45 per hour. Paula explained that their job is saving lives they themselves risk their lives every day and that FD employees are required specific training and certification to do their jobs and believe they deserve a raise. Dan agreed that FD employees earn a raise. Tom feels that the trustees do not appreciate the Fire Department. John said "I do not have a beef with the Fire department." Dan believed that the FD is being discriminated against. John had no comment other than he would like to readdress the issue when Lynn is present. Paula said that they are paid \$12.00 per call and some of the calls are lasting between 2 1/2 to 3 hours long. Dan and Tom also expressed their concerns for three FD employees that are not performing their duties or complying by the FD rules and regulations. John asked Tom if he would address this issue at the next meeting.

John made a motion to adjourn at 8:47 pm. Second by Dan.

Roll call vote: Dan; yes. John; yes.

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Trustee Trustee

X  X
Trustee Fiscal Officer