

Record of Proceedings

Minute of Regular Meeting Held at 1219 St. Rt. 183 in Atwater, Ohio; on October 24, 2017 @ 7pm

The Atwater Township Trustees held their regular scheduled meeting at the Atwater Townhall

ATTENDANCE

Trustees Lynn Whittlesey, Peggy Bainey, John Kovacich, Fiscal Officer, Linda Allen, Walt Bainey, Martha Brevard, Dan Kolasky, Bonnie Bowker, John Allen, Mel Russell, Larry Fiegly, Wayne Robertson, Paula Baughman were all in attendance.

John Kovacich called the Regular Meeting to order at 7 pm. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – absent, Peggy Bainey – yes, John Kovacich – yes.

Meeting was opened with the Pledge and the Lord's Prayer.

John Kovacich asked if the Board received and reviewed the October 10, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. John moved to approve the October 10, 2017. Peggy second Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – absent, Peggy Bainey – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

Lynn Whittlesey joined the meeting @ 7:08 pm.

COMMUNICATIONS

John said that we received a flyer from TNT Engineering, Jones Fish, and a Bobcat magazine.

FINANCIAL

John Kovacich asked if there were any corrections or additions to the Financial Statement and the September Bank Reconciliation. With no questions or concerns, John moved to approve the financial statement and September Bank Reconciliation. Peggy second Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Bainey – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Old Business

Mel said we need to go into Executive Session to discuss Pending Litigation.

New Business

Mel gave the gas/diesel report for September. Road Department used 0 gallons of gas and 177.4 gallons of diesel. The AFD used 57.9 gallons of gas and 141.4 gallons of diesel.

Mel gave the September Monthly Fire Department Run Report. We had a total of 18 incidents in September. Mel stated that September was a very busy month. Mel said that we are about 27-28 runs ahead of this time last year.

We are interviewing for new people at the AFD.

The 1111 needs new tires.

Paula presented the new equipment that we were able to purchase through her grant writing efforts thru the AFG Grant. The cost of the monitor and Life Pac 12 was \$82,000 of which we paid \$3,000.

The first Lucas Cardio device was supplied to us by University Hospital, and since we have two squads we needed to purchase a second. The total cost of the new Lucas Cardio device \$15,441. We have \$10,000 trade in for old monitors, plus a grant from ODPS for \$3,782.50, leaving us a balance of \$1,668.50. Paula also suggests that we purchase the 4-year service contract in the amount of \$4,400.

Lynn made a motion to purchase the Lucas cardio device at a cost of \$1,678.50. John second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Bainey – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

Peggy made a motion to purchase the four-year warranty on the Lucas cardio device for a cost of \$4,400.00 and to set it up so that we make the payments on this annually. John second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

Paula to get new contract written up to reflect the annual payments on the warranty.

Over the last seven years we have received \$251,000 in grant monies.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT
Old Business & New Business**

John said that we missed the deadline to get the old road truck in the Grass Clippings this month.

John made a motion that the snow plow and other equipment on the old road truck to be of no value and to sell the truck with a reserve of \$9,000. value. We will take the truck to Edinburg Auction Sales. Peggy second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

Walt Baine inquired as to the rate that Edinburg Auction takes. John said he thought it was 9%.

The Road Department hauled in grit to mix with the salt. We are not ordering new salt until we use up some old out of the storage bin.

The Road Dept. finished up mowing and cleared up the issue on Laubert Road.

The Road Department will be getting their clothing per their clothing allowance.

**ZONING
Old Business & New Business**

Dan Kolasky presented his Zoning Report. Two permits were issued for this two-week period, one for an accessory building the other for a demo .

**CEMETERY/REAL ESTATE/PARK
Old Business & New Business**

John said the electric line in in and back filled for the youth football field.

The cable has been replaced for the zip-line at the park.

John mentioned that the Townhall needs to have some repairs done. The exterior doors are rusting badly and need to be replace. Also the roof will need replaced, we might consider steel roofing.

Lynn said the current security system at the park has no value. John to look into other options to upgrade our existing cameras.

RESOLUTION 8-2017

RE: REQUEST THE PORTAGE COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION TO DISTRIBUTE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING FOR THE PORTAGE COUNTY TOWNSHIPS, CITIES AND VILLAGES FOR A PERIOD OF TEN YEARS EFFECTIVE 2019 THROUGH 2028

It was moved by John Kovacich, seconded by Peggy Baine that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOVLED, that the Board of Atwater Township Trustees does hereby request the Portage County Budget Commission distribute Local Government Funds to the Townships, Cities, and Villages of Portage County based on the attached formula (marked as exhibit A) for a period of ten years effective 2019 through 2028; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the formula would guarantee a base of Fifteen thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$15, 000.00) for all communities except the Village of Sugar Bush Knolls with a base of Five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$5,000.00) and the Village of Mogadore with a base of Negative Five thousand and 00/100 dollars (-\$5,000.00); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the remainder of the funds be distributed to each community on a per capita basis; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Atwater Township Trustees would agree to a three (3) year implementation of the formula to lessen an immediate impact on the City and Village Communities; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Atwater Township Trustees hereby appreciates and thanks the Portage County Board of Commissioners for acknowledging the disparity in funding to the communities and agrees to take a percentage portion of 35% in lieu of 39.8%; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Atwater Township Trustees finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relation to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in those formal actions were in meeting open to the public in compliance with the law including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Roll call vote as follows: Lynn Whittlesey – abstain, Peggy Bainey – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 9-2017

Whereas, under section 3796.29 of the Ohio Revised Code (O.R.C.) a board of township trustees may adopt as a resolution to prohibit cultivators, processor, and retail dispensaries of medical marijuana within the unincorporated territory of the township.

Resolved, that pursuant to the O.R.C. 3796.29, the Atwater Township Board of Trustees hereby resolve and order that the cultivation, processing, and the retail dispensing of medical marijuana, and that cultivators, processors and retail dispensaries are all hereby prohibited within the unincorporated territory of the Township of Atwater, County of Portage, State of Ohio.

Motion to accept the above made by Lynn Whittlesey, seconded by John Kovacich. Roll call: Lynn Whittlesey - yes, Peggy Bainey - yes, John Kovacich - yes. Motion Carried.

ADMINISTRATION

Old Business & New Business.

John made a motion to accept 3 LifeForce Resident Waivers totaling \$474.16. Lynn second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey –yes, Peggy Bainey – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried

Linda requested a motion to approve Receipts 190-2017 thru 192-2017 totaling \$3,617.06. Peggy moved to approve, Lynn second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey –yes, Peggy Bainey – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried

Linda Allen requested a motion to approve Blanket Certificate 38-2017 totaling \$15,000.00. Peggy moved to approve, Lynn second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Bainey – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

Linda requested a motion to approve Withholding Vouchers 288-2017 & 289-2017 totaling \$4,117.72. Peggy moved to approve, John second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – abstain, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

Linda requests a motion to approve Warrants 34878 thru 34893 totaling \$10,011.15. Peggy moved to approve, John second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – abstain, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

Linda requests a motion to approve Payroll Warrant 34895 totaling \$456.96. Peggy moved to approve, Lynn second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

Linda requests a motion to approve Direct Deposit Payroll warrants 278-2017 through 284-2017 totaling \$2,992.95. Peggy moved to approve, Lynn second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

Linda requests a motion to approve Road Department Payroll Warrants 34894 and 34896 totaling \$2,578.55. Peggy moved to approve, John second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – abstain, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

John motioned at 8:55 pm to pay bills, Peggy second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

John motioned at 8:56 pm to go back into Regular session Lynn second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.

John made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:57 pm to discuss possible AFD litigation. Peggy second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried.


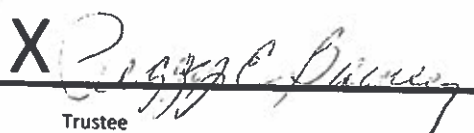
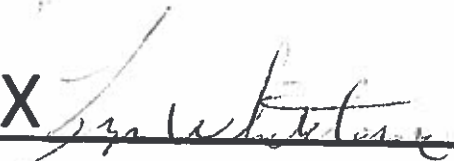

John made a motion at 9:07 pm to go back into Regular Session. Peggy second. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion Carried

Mel is to continue talking to Chris Meduri about the bill for the repairs on the old firetruck.

John motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 pm, Peggy seconded. Roll Call: Lynn Whittlesey – yes, Peggy Baine – yes, John Kovacich – yes. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Harvest Dinner at Methodist Church on November 4

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Trustee	Trustee
X 	X 
Trustee	Fiscal Officer