

MIAMI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JULY 15, 2014

The Miami Township Board of Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at 7:00 PM. Trustee Ken Tracy called the meeting to order. Scout Troop Post 468 from Trinity Methodist Church led the Pledge of Allegiance. The invocation was given by Ken Tracy. Fiscal Officer Mr. Ferry called the roll. Attending were Trustees Ken Tracy and Karl Schultz. Ms. Wolff was out of town and not able to make the meeting. Mr. Schultz made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2014 Trustee business meeting and the July 1, 2014 Trustee special meeting, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

Correspondence: None

Department Reports: A representative of each department presented a report of activities during the month of June 2014.

Community Development	Mr. Ethridge
Finance	Mr. Ferry
Fire/EMS	Rita Burroughs
Police	Chief Madsen
Recreation	Mrs. Thibodeau
Service	Jeff Weigel
Administration	Mr. Fronk

Personnel Actions: Mr. Fronk recommended the Board approve the promotions of the following Patrol Officers to Sergeants: Kevin Petrocelli at a pay rate of \$36.83 per hour effective July 21, 2014 and Greg Jenkins at a pay rate of \$36.83 per hour effective July 23, 2014. Mr. Fronk is also recommending the Board make a final offer of employment to Shane Thompson for the position of Patrol Officer at a pay rate of \$33.58 per hour effective July 16, 2014.

Mr. Schultz moved to promote the following Patrol Officers to Sergeants: Kevin Petrocelli at a pay rate of \$36.83 per hour effective July 21, 2014 and Greg Jenkins at a pay rate of \$36.83 per hour effective July 23, 2014, and to make a final offer of employment to Shane Thompson for the position of Patrol Officer at a pay rate of \$33.58 per hour effective July 16, 2014, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

Proclamations and Special Presentations: Chief Madsen asked the Trustees, Fiscal Officer, Administrator and the Law Director to join her for this presentation. Chief Madsen stated it is through the support of the residents that the Police Department continues to be a great organization and praised the staff of the Police Department for their dedication.

Chief Madsen asked Shane Thompson, his wife and family to come forward and gave a brief background of Officer Thompson's career. Joe Braun, Township Law Director, administered the Oath of Office to Shane Thompson. Chief Madsen pinned the police badge on Shane Thompson.

Chief Madsen asked Officer Petrocelli and Officer Jenkins to come forward. Chief Madsen gave background information on Kevin Petrocelli and Greg Jenkins. Chief Madsen asked the officer's families to come forward and stand with them. Joe Braun, administered the Oath of Office to Kevin Petrocelli first then to Greg Jenkins. Mr. McLaughlin, friend of Kevin Petrocelli, pinned the new police badge on Kevin Petrocelli. Christopher Jenkins, son of Greg Jenkins, pinned the new police badge on Greg Jenkins. The Trustees informed the audience that there was a celebration in the Miami Room for all three officers and anyone who wanted to could go to the Miami Room at this time for the celebration however, the Trustees would continue on with their meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business: Mr. Schultz made a motion to pay the bills of the Township with 221 checks numbered 118241 - 118462 and 14 electronic checks numbered 401 - 415 for the total amount of \$1,044,557.40 plus payroll and payroll taxes for the week of 06/21/2014 in the amount of \$363,140.84 and payroll and payroll taxes for the week of 07/05/2014 in the amount of \$387,357.86, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

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Mr. Fronk advised of the need for a Then and Now Certificate in the amount of \$2,384.23.

Mr. Schultz made a motion to adopt **Resolution 2014-34** authorizing the Township Fiscal Officer to issue and certify a Then and Now Certificate for payment of various expenditures totaling \$2,384.23, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

Mr. Fronk presented the following personnel actions. In the Police Department to withdraw conditional officer of employment to Mr. Daniel Laney for the position of Police Officer.

Mr. Schultz moved to approve the personnel item for the Police Department as submitted, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

In the Recreation Department to make a conditional offer of employment to Sandra Thomas as a Building Monitor; to make a final offer of employment to Helena Hill as a Building Monitor at \$10.00 per hour effective July 16, 2014 and to make a final offer of employment to Jon Day as a Recreation Instructor at \$15.00 per hour effective July 28, 2014.

Mr. Schultz moved to approve the personnel actions for the Recreation Department as submitted, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

For the Fire Department Mr. Fronk is recommending the Board reclassify Daniel Cayse from Volunteer Firefighter/Paramedic to Part-time Firefighter 2/Paramedic with a starting pay rate of base \$15.63, day \$19.84 and night \$16.95 effective July 20, 2014. Also, to extend final offers of employment to the following part-time candidates; Jason Rooms and Robert Williams as part-time Firefighter 2/Paramedic with a starting pay rate of base \$15.63, day \$19.84 and night \$16.96 effective July 20, 2014 and to Ryan Flake and Andrew Rice as part-time Firefighter 1/Paramedic with a starting pay rate of base \$15.14, day \$19.35 and night \$16.47 effective July 20, 2014.

Mr. Schultz moved to approve the personnel actions for the Fire Department as submitted, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

Mr. Fronk explained the Trustees held a public hearing on the Preliminary 2015 Tax Budget on July 15, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. The Budget sets the estimated revenue and expenditures for 2015 and will be a guide for the preparation of the final budget and appropriation for 2015. Mr. Fronk is recommending the Board approve the 2015 Preliminary Tax Budget.

Mr. Schultz made a motion to approve the 2015 Tax Budget as presented and direct the Township Administrator to submit the Tax Budget to the Clermont County Auditor, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

Mr. Fronk advised that the Law Enforcement Agencies within Clermont County have met and prepared an amended and restated Mutual Aid Agreement. Chief Madsen is recommending the Board approve the new Agreement. The Agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Township Law Director. Chief Madsen explained the Agreement and how the agencies support each other.

Mr. Schultz moved to approve the Clermont County, Ohio Amended and Restated Mutual Aid Agreement for Law Enforcement and authorize the Police Chief to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Board, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

Mr. Fronk explained that Miami Township and All About Kids have reached a settlement relating to a lawsuit. Joe Braun, Township Law Director, explained this settlement agreement will resolve the claims against Miami Township.

Mr. Schultz made a motion to approve a settlement agreement with All About Kids in the amount of \$4,000.00 and authorize the Administrator to sign the Settlement Agreement on their behalf, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

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Mr. Fronk advised he has had discussions, over the past two months, regarding electric aggregation and is recommending the Board place the issue of electric aggregation on the November 4, 2014 ballot. The proposed electric aggregation program will operate identically to the gas aggregation program that has been very successful in saving our residents money.

Mr. Schultz made a motion to adopt **Resolution 2014-35** a resolution authorizing all actions necessary to effect a Governmental Electric Miami Township Aggregation Program with Opt-Out provisions pursuant to Section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code, directing the Clermont County Board of election to submit a ballot question to the electors, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

Mr. Fronk advised the Board they need to renew the street lighting district for White Gate Farm Section 2B.

Mr. Schultz made a motion to Adopt **Resolution 2014-36** a resolution providing for the procurement of a street lighting system, dispensing with the second reading and declaring an emergency for White Gate Farm 2B, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

Mr. Fronk advised the Board there is a need to amend a resolution that was adopted last month due to incorrect wording. The resolution was regarding sale of surplus equipment to Goshen Township and in part of the resolution it mentioned a different jurisdiction. Mr. Fronk is recommending the Board adopt Resolution 2014-37 amending Resolution 2014-30.

Mr. Schultz moved to adopt **Resolution 2014-37** a resolution amending Resolution 2014-30, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

Public Comment: Mr. Charles Kapiotis of Sugar Camp Road addressed the Board regarding water run-off and drainage on the road and a hole that was dug on his property that he would like filled back in because it serves no purpose. Mr. Fronk advised he would look at the property and speak with Mr. Mantel and Mr. Weigel and get back to Mr. Kapiotis.

Ms. Jane Overbeck of Pinebluff Drive came forward to thank the Trustees and staff that visited her street and Rose Lane Farm on July 1st to listen to noise of a test grinding by Irvine.

Mr. Schultz made a motion that following a break they move into Executive Session to discuss pending or imminent litigation pursuant to Section 121.22(G)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

Mr. Schultz made a motion to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Tracy with all voting "AYE".

With no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Eric C. Ferry, Fiscal Officer

Ken Tracy, Chairperson