

Middlefield Township

August 13, 2018 – Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Robert Troyer. Present were Trustees Robert Troyer, Mervin Miller and Paul Porter, Fiscal Officer Mary Ann Pierce, Secretary Heidi Snyder, and the following belated guest was in attendance: Carol Sweet of NOPEC.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions and or Deletions for the Agenda

None.

Approval of Minutes

June 28th special meeting minutes reviewed. Motion to approve minutes made by Merv Miller, second by Robert Troyer. All in favor. Minutes approved.

July 9, 2018 meeting minutes reviewed. Paul Porter made motion to approve minutes. Merv Miller second. All in favor. Minutes approved.

July 26th, 2018 special meeting minutes reviewed. Merv Miller made motion to approve. Paul Porter second. All in favor. Minutes approved.

Old Business

Road and Bridge Levy: Road and Bridge Levy was submitted to Board of Elections August 1, 2018. Discussion on the carryover on hand for roads and bridges.

Audit: August 14th 2018 at 10:20 a.m. Discussion was had unexpected objections to the budget. Building addition from ambulance fund. 122,000 collected from ambulance fund.

NOPEC: Carol Sweet arrived at 7:05 p.m. She is present to share information on behalf of NOPEC. The gas issue was previously on the ballot as an aggregation issue. There are membership benefits. There is a NOPEC grant. Other benefits are Pace loan and Step loan. \$4,564 grant earned by township (\$7 per account). That Grant would need to be used on energy efficient upgrades for the township. Grant is available over 3 years, so it could be received in 2019 and 2020 as well. Also have \$500 sponsorship dollars available. Grant can be held in escrow until ready to use. However, the sponsorship dollars should be identified with specific use soon or they are lost. Ms. Sweet also invited Trustees to the general assembly. Paul Porter is the designated delegate to NOPEC. Genny Costanza will be new relationship manager from NOPEC and we should hear from her in January. Ms. Sweet indicated NOPEC is also advocate for other issues, like building gas accounts, streetlight accounts... to give a little bit of a savings on supply. NOPEC can do a free analysis on the utility bills. Jim Flaiz is on the NOPEC board still. But will eventually be giving that up for someone else to occupy. Mary Ripley is the media contact who will give language for newsletter. Everything is online. They have user-friendly login should the legislation ever pass. Ms. Sweet finished up and departed.

Newsletter: Include the following, register to vote section, explanation of absentee ballot process, Township website section, explanation of where Road dollars go, summary of road projects, equipment needing updates, NOPEC section, Fall trash day, Road and Bridge Levy, Newcomb Road project status, Township Audit, dates and times of monthly trustee meetings.

Crestwood Drive nuisance issue: Letter from Ms. Susten of Woodson was received attaching a news article of a Newbury nuisance issue. Discussion briefly. Newbury has zoning and Middlefield Township does not. The issues are not the same.

No other old business.

New Business

NOPEC, see above.

Ohio Public Works Commission Ballot: Need to select three sets of names from the list. Trustees considered the list of names. Agreed on sets of candidates.

No other new business.

Reports

Road Superintendent: Double chip and seal Adams. Then return to Swine Creek.

Service Garage: One truck needed new injector pump.

Fire District: Fire district meeting tomorrow, August 14th 2018.

Ambulance Service: Corrected issue where our Resident was transported and billed.

Sheriff's Report: Report reviewed.

Fiscal Officers Report

Management Report: Report reviewed and signed.

Payment of Bills: Bills presented for payment in the amount of \$83,263.74. Merv Miller made motion to pay bills. Robert Troyer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Adjournment: No further business was brought before the Board. Merv Miller motioned, seconded by Paul Porter to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. All in favor. With no further discussion or opposition to the motion as stated, motion approved. Meeting adjourned.

Robert Troyer, Chairman

Mary Ann Pierce, Chief Fiscal Officer

Minutes prepared by Heidi Snyder, Secretary