

The Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, Tuesday, September 21, 2021, was called to order at approximately 7:00 PM by Chairman Weimer, at the Milton Fire Station. After the Pledge of Allegiance roll call was taken. Trustee Weimer, Trustee Campbell, Trustee Tomaino, Fiscal Officer Balsinger, Fire Chief Maynard, Zoning Inspector Kurilla and Administrative Assistant Tara Balsinger, and Police Chief Van Dyke were all present, Road & Cemetery David Dunn, Sr. was absent.

**Trustee Weimer moved to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of August 16, 2021, 09-21-21-01,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Fiscal Officer Balsinger gave the financial report through August 31, 2021 - Total Fund Balances available for Milton Township are \$2,453,207.70. The General Fund balance is \$620,534.18. The Fiscal Officer asked for approval of payments by Warrants #31733 through #31773 and EFT #292 thru #371 totaling \$104,490.26. Revenue received to date \$1,266,052.70. Total expenditures year to date total \$776,772.67. Ms. Balsinger also reported all departments are within their budgets and received their departmental reports.

**Trustee Campbell moved to approve the financial report, and to approve the payments by Warrants #31733 through #31773 and EFT #292 thru #371 totaling \$104,490.26, 09-29-21-02,** seconded by Trustee Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**ROAD & CEMETERY DEPARTMENTS:**

Mr. Dunn submitted a written report and was read by Chairman Weimer. Two loads of patch on Scott Cliff, 3<sup>rd</sup> mowing completed. Illegal dumping signs put up on Canyon and Mill Road. Repair cost on yellow dump was \$6,461.55 and we have spent \$11,397.77 on repairs this year.

**CEMETERY:**

1. One burial this month
2. Six foundations completed out of the eight that we have orders for.
3. We have at least 50 headstones that need to be straighten due to mowers.

**RECYCLING:**

Summons for court date is October 13<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM for illegal dumping case.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Chief Maynard reported August had a total of 43 calls. Calls were – 1 structure fire, 5 accidents, 18 medicals, 1 grass fire, 1 carbon monoxide, 4 tree/wires down, 0 car fire, 0 water emergency rescue, 9 mutual aid, 2 burning complaints, 1 alarm activation, 0 gas leak and 1 other. 276 total calls to date this year. Medical Transport by MFD – 15.

1. Received another shipment of PPE/mask and gloves from the state.
2. Chief completed the inspection of the preschool at Jackson Milton, found a couple of issues but were resolved while on scene.
3. Milton had duty day at the Canfield Fair, many of our personnel attended.
4. Chief has been contacted about the sale and possible sales of commercial properties within the Township for future development, the chief will try to stay involved in this so all fire codes are followed in redevelopment or remodeling of these properties.
5. The Mahoning County Fire Chiefs meeting was held at the station.

6. Pump testing has been completed on all the apparatus and all passed, we have a few minor issues that we can resolve next year during the DOT inspection and certifications.
7. Repairs to Squad 501 at Alliance Motors and the truck runs better than it ever has.
8. The hose testing for 2021 and all hose passed except one section, we had to remove from service. The volunteers worked approximately 9 to 12 hours to complete all this testing. Chief is requesting some compensation to everyone involved for this long day.
9. The boxes located throughout the Township that individuals drop off clothing and other items have been over filled and things are being left on the ground this could be a fire and safety issue. The chief checked a couple and it appear animals have been getting into these boxes. Because of in proper pick up the chief would like to see these boxes removed.
10. Chief is following up with the State of Ohio Fire Marshal's Office, the chief was informed that the state is going to a cloud based fire reporting system beginning in January 2022, our current reporting system will not be accepted. Chief Maynard spoke to a couple of fire chiefs and the new programs being recommended are from \$3,000 to \$6,000 per year. Once a final answer is reached and if this is the fact that we need to make changes Chief will bring back to the board for needed action.

**Chairman Weimer moved to purchase prepaid credit cards at a \$100 per card for each firefighter that worked the hose testing, 09-21-21-03,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to purchase a prepaid credit card for \$100 to give to Sherry Maynard in appreciation for all her hard work in setting up our township display at the fair, 09-21-21-04,** seconded by Trustee Campbell and passed with 3 ayes.

#### **ZONING:**

Zoning Inspector Kurilla reported five permits were issued for the month of August. Estimated Valuation for month of August \$384,200.00 estimated valuation to date for 2021, \$6,745,021.00, and total amount of permit fees for August \$1,732.00. Total amount of receipts collected to date for 2021 are \$33,282.00.

An estimate for property cleanup located at 4983 Pritchard Ohltown Road from All Excavating Company in the amount of \$3,250.00. Mr. Kurilla asks that this expense then be placed on tax record as a special assessment.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to accept the estimate for property clean up at 4983 Pritchard Ohltown Road from All Excavating Company and place the expense as a special assessment on as a tax lien against the property, 09-21-21-05,** seconded by Chairman Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

1. Chief Van Dyke submitted statistics report for the month.
2. Cruiser 504 has had some significant expense associated with it this month. The cruiser had to be towed for additional repairs. The yearly total of repairs is \$5,603.25 and in 2020 we invested \$4,480.79. This vehicle has 142,437 miles on it. Chief question is how much more money do we want to put into this vehicle. After discussing with the board they decided to keep the cruiser in the fleet and not to purchase a new cruiser for next year.
3. OCJS has announced a grant funding for body worn cameras. This is a zero match grant and awards will be based on number of submissions.
4. We should hear something on the COPS grant by the end of October. The COPS grant is a four-year regressive grant (1<sup>st</sup> year pays 75%, 2<sup>nd</sup> year pays 50%, 3<sup>rd</sup> year pays 25% 4<sup>th</sup> year pays 0%)
5. The department has applied for a 50% body armor grant through the State of Ohio. Chief will advise when we receive a disposition.
6. Chief Van Dyke has arraigned to host a joint training session for Milton, Jackson, and Craig Beach PD's for Saturday October 2<sup>nd</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup>. This training is a First Aid/ CPR/ AED refresher training and

will be presented by Milton EMS. Also Sgt. Oxley has requested permission to attend, at departments cost, Ohio Case Law that all Cops Need to Know. The training will be held in Sebring, OH on November 19<sup>th</sup> the cost would be \$149 per student and days wages.

7. Continued Professional Training requirements have been announced for 2022, The commission mandated 24 hours of mandatory training for 2022. Funding for the mandatory training is still being worked out, however it looks like the State of Ohio will reimburse up to 50%.

**Trustee Campbell moved to pay for Sgt. Oxley to attend the training in Sebring on November 19<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$149 for the class plus salary, 09-21-21-06,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Thank You was sent to Dave Dunn, Sr. and David Dunn, Jr. from Family of Charlotte Taylor.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Parking Lot paving will be considered for 2022 budget.
2. ODOT Stimulus program suggested roads for the paving project would be Headland or Pointview.

**Trustee Campbell moved to accept the Cemetery Grant in the amount of \$2,000, 09-21-21-07,** seconded by Chairman Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Campbell moved to accept the repair cost of \$6,461.55 on the yellow dump, 09-21-21-08,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Halloween Trick or Treat Sunday October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5-7 PM

**Chairman Weimer moved to have Trick or Treat on Sunday October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5-7 PM 09-21-21-09,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Campbell moved to approve the new fund numbers for ARPA money 2273, 09-21-21-10,** seconded by Trustee Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

**Chairman Weimer moved to approve existing special assessments with no changes at this time, 09-21-21-11,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Campbell moved to approve Chief Maynard to attend the Fire Symposium, 09-21-21-12,** seconded by Trustee Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

#### **Reminders:**

1. Next Milton Township Board Meeting will be Tuesday October 26, 2021 at Town Hall 7 PM.
2. MCTA Dinner meeting – Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 6 PM
3. Drug Free Workplace Annual training Monday September 27, 6 PM and Saturday October 16<sup>th</sup> 9 AM

#### **Public Comments:**

Charles Varney, 18100 Avondale, spoke to the board regarding issues he is having with the neighbors building a garage. He feels the building should not be allowed because of the size. Mr. Kurilla responded that the private detached garage, which is 28 x 32 and 15 feet in height is with in zoning regulations.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to go into executive session at 8:00 PM to discuss employment and benefits of a public employee, 09-21-21-13,** seconded by Trustee Campbell and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to come out of executive session and return to regular session at 8:36 PM, 09-21-21-14,** seconded by Trustee Campbell and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Campbell moved to offer a provisional hire to Tyler Vasko as a part time police officer, 09-21-21-15,** seconded by Trustee Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

**Chairman Weimer moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00PM, 09-21-21-16,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Three handwritten signatures are shown, each on a horizontal line. The top signature is 'R. Weimer', the middle one is 'D. Tomaino', and the bottom one is 'H. Campbell'.

Date: 10/26/2021