MILTON TOWNSHIP

MINUTES

The Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, Tuesday, January 21, 2025, was called to order at approximately 5:00 PM by Chairman Tomaino, at the Town Hall. After the Pledge of Allegiance roll call was taken. Chairman Tomaino, Trustee Villone, Trustee DiBernardi, Fire Chief Oles, Road & Cemetery Dunn, Police Chief VanDyke, Zoning Inspector Kurilla, Administrative Assistant Danielle Zlenka were all present. Fiscal Officer Balsinger was excused.

Trustee DiBernardi moved to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of 12/10/24, and Special 01-07-25, 01-21-25-01, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Guest speaker Troy Rhodes from First Energy spoke about electric overloading, circuits, storms and outages. Property and business owners need to take action in case of outage. Mr. Rhodes is our point of contact. Mr. Rhodes would like to look at our website to post outages for our residents.

Mr. Villone mentioned looking into a warming center, possibly the American Legion.

Police Chief VanDyke read the financial report submitted by Fiscal through December 31, 2024 - Total Fund Balances available for Milton Township are \$2,927,235.81 The General Fund balance is \$822,061.55 which represents approximately 28% of all funds available. Approval was asked for payments by Warrants #33582 through #33630 and EFT #721 thru #8212 totaling \$221,495.82 Revenue received to date \$2,547,411.28 Total expenditures for 2024 are \$2,545,346.44, Fiscal also asks for approval of one supplemental appropriation. All departments received their departmental reports.

Trustee Villone moved to approve the financial report, and to approve the payments by Warrants #33582 through #33630 and EFT #721 thru #821 totaling \$221,495.82, and one supplemental appropriation, 01-21-25-02, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

ROAD & CEMETERY DEPARTMENTS:

<u>Road Report:</u> Report submitted and on file

Cemetery Report: 1. One burial

<u>Recycling Report:</u> Nothing to report.

Mr. Dunn reported some complaints from residents for salting on private property roads. Mr. Tomaino said to refer all complaints to him.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Report submitted and on file

Chief Oles has signed himself up for a hybrid Fire Inspector School for \$300.

Ms. DiBernardi moved to approve the purchase of the package for the fire department with the extra added one and one help for the price of \$12,542.50 for the year, 01-21-25-03, seconded by Mr. Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Ms. DiBernardi moved to approve the purchase of a new sonar system for the fire boat with installation to be done in house for \$1,350.00 from Bass Pro Shop, 01-21-25-04, seconded by Mr. Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

- 1. Stat Report submitted for last month.
- 2. Chief submitted a proposal for longevity pay
- 3. Requesting to purchase a new computer for zoning and one to replace his laptop
- 4. A proposal for a new fitness program for the police department
- 5. Chief presented a proposal for a new key fob lock system for townhall and outer doors of Police department. Ms. DiBernardi would like another price to compare.

Trustee Villone moved to approve the new fitness program for the police department, 01-21-25-05, seconded by Mr. Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved to approve the purchase of new computer for zoning \$1,630.00 and new laptop for chief \$2,877.60, 01-21-25-06, seconded by Ms. DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved to table the proposal for longevity pay, 01-21-25-07, seconded by Mr. Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved to approve the repairs to cruiser 508 in the amount of \$1,757.87 and 509 in the amount of \$235.45, 01-21-25-08, seconded by Ms. DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

<u>Trustee Villone moved to table the proposal for the new lock system, 01-21-25-09, seconded by Trustee</u> DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

ZONING:

Monthly report for December and Yearly report submitted and on file.

CORRESPONDENCE:

We received two Thank You and Zoning annual notification letter.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS:

The board approved the mileage certification for the county and state.

The NOPEC-NEC Grant totals were discussed and since there is no project at this time Mr. Villone suggested the grant be rolled over until 2026.

Trustee Villone moved to apply for the Nopec Community Sponsorship grant for the Fire and Police **Department to use at their community events**, 01-21-25-10, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

<u>Trustee Tomaino moved to replace Brent Liste and Jules D'Amico with Tyler Minkiewicz and Dave</u> <u>Dunn Jr. on the VF Dependent Fund Board, 01-21-25-11</u>

Trustee DiBernardi reported that there is money left over in a fund approved by the Commissioners when the concrete project was completed at fire station. The board decided to use the remainder funds to fix the water issue under the town hall.

Trustee DiBernardi reported she applied for an ODOT Grant to install sidewalks and lighting on the Southside of Mahoning Avenue from condos to the beauty shop.

Ms. DiBernardi is unable to make the next regular trustee meeting and would like to change the date to February 11, 2025. The board was in agreement.

Reminders:

NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11--7 PM-TOWNHALL REGULAR MEETING MCTA BUSINESS MEETING- THURSDAY FERUARY 20, 2025, 7 PM CANFIELD TOWNHALL ANNUAL TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE MEETING MCMAHON HALL 9 AM TO NOON HOSTED BY COUNTY ENGINEER.

Public Comments:

None.

Trustee Tomaino moved to go into executive session to discuss wages, benefits & employee disciplinary action at approximately, 01-21-25-12, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi, and passed with 3 ayes.

<u>Trustee Tomaino moved to come out of executive session and return to regular session, 01-21-25-13,</u> seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Chairman Tomaino moved to approve payments by Fire Department that were missed for approval. Bound Tree \$1,658.01, Bound Tree \$1,719.99, 01-21-25-14, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

<u>Mr. Tomaino moved to adjourn the meeting, 01-21-25-15, seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with</u> 3 ayes.

Date: _____