

The Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, Tuesday, September 17, 2024, was called to order at approximately 7:00 PM by Chairman Tomaino, at the Milton Fire Station. After the Pledge of Allegiance roll call was taken. Chairman Tomaino, Trustee DiBernardi, Trustee Villone, Fiscal Officer Balsinger, Interim Fire Chief Oles, Police Chief Van Dyke and Administrative Assistant Danielle Zlenka were all present. Zoning Inspector Kurilla Road & Cemetery Dunn, Sr., were excused.

**Trustee DiBernardi moved to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of August 20, 2024 and Special Meeting September 6, 2024, 09-17-24-01,** seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

Fiscal Officer Balsinger gave the financial report through August 31, 2024 - The General Fund balance is \$949,698.26 and Restricted Fund balances are \$2,454,059.42. Total Fund Balances available for Milton Township are \$3,403,757.68, General Fund represents approximately 28% of all funds available. The Fiscal Officer asked for approval of payments by Warrants #33424 through #33467 and EFT #464 thru #564 totaling \$306,633.44 and 1 Supplemental Appropriation. Revenue received to date \$2,053,987.76. Total expenditures year to date total \$1,548,396.05. Ms. Balsinger also reported all departments are within their budgets and received their departmental reports.

**Trustee Villone moved to approve the financial report, and to approve the payments by Warrants #33424 through #33467 and EFT #464 through #564 totaling \$306,633.44, and 1 Supplemental. 09-17-24-02,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Ms. Zlenka reported that we had our first paid rental of the Fire Hall for a Memorial Service.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**ZONING:**

Report Submitted and on file.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Interim Chief Oles reported August had a total of 56 calls. 42 calls in Milton Township and 1 other. Calls were – 1 structure fire, 3 accidents, 28 medical, 0 grass fire, 0 carbon monoxide, 6 tree/wires down, 0 water emergency rescue, 0 Car Fire, 14 mutual aids, 1 burning complaints, 0 alarm activation, 1 gas leak and 1 other. 386 total calls to date this year. Medical Transport by MFD – 20.

1. All bills have been submitted to Fiscal for review.
2. Engine 500 needs to have PM completed, the cost is \$1,500 plus anything additional which is based on approval.
3. Chief is working on estimates for tire replacement on Engine 500.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to approve the PM service on Engine 500 for \$1,500, 09-17-24-03,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to have the tires replaced on Engine 500, approximate cost of not to exceed \$5,000 pending estimates, 09-17-24-04,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

Chief Van Dyke reported that there were 1065 calls for service, 36 resulted in reports, 13 citations, 2 crashes and 93 traffic warnings were generated.

Thomas Williams has recently transferred to the Office of Criminal Justice Services. His position is as a Criminal Justice Liaison – Northeast Region. Mr. Williams would like to carry a Special Commission with Milton Township to be able to keep his certification as a police officer active.

**Trustee Villone moved to appoint Thomas Williams to Milton Police Department as holding a special commission status, 09-17-24-05,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

A new law enforcement jobs portal was created within the Ohio Means Jobs website. Police Departments can add their job postings.

Trunk or Treat will be held on Saturday, October 26, 2024 from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

Fire arms training was held for the police department everyone passed successfully. Chief is also putting together a proposal to present to the board at a future meeting to continue with monthly training for fire arms.

Trustee Villone stated he has completed the police chief's annual evaluation and submitted to be placed in his personal file.

### **ROAD & CEMETERY DEPARTMENTS:**

#### **Road Report:**

Report submitted and on file.

Chairman Tomaino presented three estimates to pave Lillian Drive, SureLine - \$88,000, Sable Asphalt - \$74,141.80, Delta Asphalt - \$72,103.00 and EverBrite - \$68,500.00

**Trustee Villone moved to accept the low estimate from EverBrite in the amount of \$68,500 to pave Lillian and Driftwood, 09-17-24-06,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Tomaino also shared that Timberlane, Pico OPWC project placed 14 out of 55 for possible 2nd round of funding in 2025.

Pickering was approved with CDBG Money for spring paving.

Pointview, Breezwood, Heston OPWC project ran into extra work because when they ground down 2 " of the old blacktop they hit base and needed to fix this and some shoulder work before moving forward with the new paving.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Otarma notice for nominations for new board members.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Milton Township was awarded \$2,500 in a cemetery grant to remove old trees.

**Trustee DiBernardi moved to hire Tyler Minkcewicz as an EMT for the fire department, 09-17-24-07,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Trustee DiBernardi moved to accept the rates and amounts submitted from the county, 09-17-24-08,** seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee DiBernardi moved to set Trick or Treat day to Thursday October 31, 2024 from 5 PM to 7 PM, 09-17-24-09,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone discussed his concerns with the fire department not being able to make some of the calls dispatched and the liability to the township this may cause. He understands that it is difficult when we are short on staff and do not have the man power available. Mr. Villone stated that we do have mutual aid understanding with other departments. Mutual aid is basically if the other townships have man power available and not on their own township calls. Under mutual aid they are not required to respond. Mr. Villone would like to pursue possible contracting with another township to supplement our department until other options come available.

**Trustee Villone moved to proceed forward to pursue a contract with a neighboring township to help cover shortages on call response, 09-17-24-10,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

**Reminders:**

1. Next Milton Township Board Meeting will be Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at Town Hall 7 PM.
2. Mandatory Drug Free Workplace Training, Monday October 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM and Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM.
3. MCTA FALL DINNER Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup> 6PM hosted by Boardman.
4. Aflac open enrollment meeting Thursday September 19<sup>th</sup> 2-4 PM.

**Public Comments:**

None

**Trustee Tomaino moved to go into executive session at 8:05 PM to discuss employment, benefits and disciplinary action of a public employee, 09-17-24-11,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi, and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to come out of executive session and return to regular session 9:31 PM 9-17-24-12,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Villone moved to direct the fire department in the cooperation with records request and the ability of Lisa and Danielle to access these records, 09-17-24-13,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

**Mr. Villone moved to adjourn the meeting, 09-17-24-14,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

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