

The Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, Tuesday, May 20, 2025, was called to order at approximately 7:00 PM by Chairman Tomaino, at the Town Hall. After the Pledge of Allegiance roll call was taken. Chairman Tomaino, Trustee DiBernardi, Trustee Villone, Fiscal Officer Balsinger, Road & Cemetery David Dunn, Sr., Fire Chief Oles, Police Chief VanDyke, Zoning Inspector Kurilla, and Administrative Assistant Danielle Zlenka, were all present,

Anna DeAscentis Fair Housing Coordinator spoke to educated the board on the Fair Housing Laws as a requirement to receive the CDBG Grant money approved by the Commissioners. Fair Housing Laws established in 1968 and renewed in 1988.

Trustee DiBernardi moved to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of April 28, 2025, 05-20-25-01, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Fiscal Officer Balsinger gave the financial report through April 30, 2025 - Total Fund Balances available for Milton Township are \$3,117,842.85. The General Fund balance is \$886,399.11, which represents approximately 28% of all funds available. The Fiscal Officer asked for approval of payments by Warrants #33710 through #33765 and EFT #199 thru #304 totaling \$231,703.58. Receipts to date are \$1,024,407.91 as of April 30, 2025. YTD Expenditure as of 4/30/25 is \$833,800.87. 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 #33710 through #33765 and EFT #199 thru #304 totaling \$231,703.58, 05-20-25-02, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Oles reported April had a total of 47 calls. 27 in Milton Township and 0 others. Calls were – 0 structure fires, 6 accident, 17 medical, 01 grass fire, 1 carbon monoxide, 2 trees/wires down, 1 car fire, 0 water emergency/rescue, 20 mutual aid, 0 burning complaints, 0 alarm activation's, 0 gas leak and 0 other. 200 Total calls for 2025. Total Medical Transports in March by MFD –12.

1. All bills have been submitted for payment to the Fiscal Officer.
2. Ladder 500 is back from Fallsway Akron and in service.
3. Wheel bearings on the boat trailer were replaced.

Trustee DiBernardi moved to pay the repair cost to ladder truck in the amount of \$1,655.25, 05-20-25-03, seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved the repair cost on wheel bearings for trailer, \$46.95 and purchase tires in amount of \$183.50, 05-20-25-04, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee DiBernardi moved to accept the resignation of Justin Binkiewicz, 05-20-25-05, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee DiBernardi moved to pay for lunch annual Fire Chief Association hosted by Milton Fire Department, 05-20-25-06, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. Chief Van Dyke submitted stats for the month of April.
2. The Cummings Foundation for Behavioral Health (CFBH) is an independent private operating foundation. As part of their ongoing research, CFBH focuses on Law Enforcement Wellness. Their flagship program in Arlington County, Virginia, represents their first step in supporting the behavioral health of first responders nationwide. The Milton Township Police District has been invited to partner with CFBH in their research on officer wellness. A comprehensive needs assessment will be conducted as part of the onboarding process. All services provided to MPD would be provided at no cost to us. In return, all participants would be asked to complete a short questionnaire periodically.
3. Installations will be tabled until next meeting. Mr. Vilone has concerns regarding incoming mail and privacy.

Trustee Villone moved to have the police department participate with CFBH, 05-20-25-07, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved to approve the renewal of Active 911 for the police at a cost of \$243.00 annually, 05-20-25-08, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved to purchase the training suit and taser cartridges for training purposes, 05-20-25-09, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved to approve the front-end alignment and tire replacement for cruiser 511 in the amount of \$465.95 from Major Tire, 05-20-25-10, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

ROAD & CEMETERY DEPARTMENTS:

Road Report:

Harbor Drive project has been completed with one additional cost for a yard of stone.
Wolff Lane improvement project on hold until October due to bats living in the trees.
Patching with mastic material been slow due to weather.
Little red dump has developed some electrical issues and needs to get in the shop.

Cemetery Report:

One burial

Trustee Tomaino moved to pay for emergency cost of fallen tree removals in cemeteries, 05-20-25-11, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Recycling Report:

Nothing to report.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Kurilla reported three permits issued for the month of April, with one of them for single family home. Estimated valuation for the month of April \$1489,000.00- Estimate valuation to date of year 2025, \$2,732,600.00 Total amount of permit fees for the month of April -\$8,191.00 Total amount of receipts to YTD 2025 \$15,566.00.

1. Ten lots have been plotted on Palmyra and SE River Road. The Engineer and sanitary have been approved.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Annual NOPEC Report
2. Thank you to Police Department from the Melnykovich family

OLD BUSINESS

The grant should be announced soon from the Governor's office.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Tomaino moved to pass a Scleroderma Proclamation declaring June Scleroderma awareness month, 05-20-25-12, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Fiscal Officer would like to investigate the company I Panda regarding the township website, The board agrees.

Reminders:

*NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY, June 17, 2025 --7 PM-FIRE STATION REGULAR MEETING
MCTA DINNER JUNE 12, 2025, COON HUNTERS CLUB ELLSWORTH HOST
MEMORIAL DAY PARADE MONDAY MAY 26TH STEP OFF 11 AM*

Public Comments:

Derek Delp, 18051 Ellsworth Road, told the board that he has a pending zoning appeals case. His concern is that it involves the Smolek family and he wanted to have Ms. Smolek, zoning appeals board member, recuse herself. Mr. Kurilla stated the Ms. Smolek has already recused herself and Mr. Mastriana will sit in her place during the hearing.

Trustee Tomaino moved to go into executive session at 7:56 PM to discuss wages, benefits & employee disciplinary action, 05-20-25-13, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi, and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Villone moved to go back into regular session, 05-20-25-14, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

No further Business.

Trustee Villone moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 PM, 05-20-25-15, seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Date: _____