

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SANDUSKY TOWNSHIP
SANDUSKY COUNTY, OHIO**

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING of May 15, 2018

The Trustees of Sandusky Township met in regular session at Sandusky Township Hall at 6:00 p.m., with the following members present:

Mr. Mike Willis

Mr. Gilbert Overmyer

Mr. Paul Lotycz (late)

Mr. Gilbert Overmyer made motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Mike Willis seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - yes, Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - absent.

Mr. Gilbert Overmyer made motion to accept and pay the bills. Mr. Mike Willis seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - yes, Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - absent.

Ms. Zienta reported the following Revenue and Expenditures:

	5-2-2018 through 5-15-2018	Year to Date
Revenue	15,478.93	401,255.34
Expenditures	44,193.67	390,936.74

Mr. Rudy Martinez attended meeting regarding the letter he received to remove junk vehicles from his property at 891 Everett Road. Because he is working long hours and it has been raining, he is asking for an extension of time of a couple months to get the vehicles moved or to put up a fence. Trustees are willing to give Mr. Martinez 15 days to see some improvement in removing the vehicles. The next regular meeting will be June 5th and instructed Mr. Martinez to attend that meeting to review the progress.

Ms. Ellen Bergman, Genoa, Ohio, attended meeting. Ms. Bergman is a retired teacher and decided to give back to her community. She is locating historical markers and painting the ones that are in need of attention. Ms. Bergman is asking permission to paint the Whittaker's Reserve sign. Pictures of her work was provided. Mr. Mike Willis made motion to allow Ms. Bergman to paint the Whittaker's Reserve sign. Mr. Gilbert Overmyer seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Overmyer - yes, Mr. Lotycz - absent.

The following people representing the Railroad attended meeting to discuss the possible closure of the Sand Road Railroad crossing:

- Attorney Casey Talbott
- Matt Dietrich, Ohio Rail Development Commission
- Cayela Wimberly, Norfolk Southern Corp.

Mr. Talbott explained the Federal Government has put pressure on the railroad and the State of Ohio to close 25% of the railroad crossings across the state. When a crossing is closed, they can collaborate with the State of Ohio to make other improvements in the county.

Trustees and Mr. Dean Schneider explained the issue with closing the crossing is safety reasons. If a train on North Street is blocking the tracks, they use the Sand Road crossing to access the residents.

Mr. Willis talked with Fremont Water Reclamation Center Superintendent Jeff Lamson and he is not in favor of closing the crossing.

An aerial view of the area was reviewed and much discussion on the affect the closing would have on the area.

Over the next few months, the Rail Commission and Norfolk Southern will gather data on the amount of times the tracks are blocked. A plan will be created and presented to the Board.

Mr. Schneider informed the Commission of the Bloom Road crossing. When the tracks are blocked, the residents were cut off from emergency vehicles having access to them. The County Commissioners own

property behind them and put in a stone driveway through the property for ingress and egress to the homes. The Rail Commission will look at this crossing for possible closure and improving the driveway. Mr. Schneider also mentioned the Fangboner Road rail crossing. The Commission will look at this also.

Ms. Linda Amos, Poggemeyer, discussed the available funding for Sandusky County. The estimated project cost is \$123,625 with a local match of \$66,713. Potential reductions in cost could come from using recycled millings and the township performing grading and seeding.

Mr. Mike Willis moved to adopt the following Resolution: The Board of Trustees of Sandusky Township, desires financial assistance under the NatureWorks Grant Program and hereby authorizes and directs Paul Lotycz to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. Mr. Gilbert Overmyer seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Overmyer - yes, Mr. Lotycz - absent.

Ms. Amos then discussed the procedure for purchasing the property next to the Hall from the Bordner's. Sandusky County Park's District Director Andy Brown provided information on an ODOT approved appraiser for the property.

Mr. Gilbert Overmyer did speak with Mr. Robert Bordner about selling the property. Mr. Bordner is going to speak with his wife and then attend a Trustee meeting to discuss.

Mr. Brent Saionz provided the following report:

- Provided 2019 Budget requests
- Obtained estimates to have the parking lot and 4 Mile House Cemetery sealed and striped. Sealmaster - \$5116.05 and Zimmerman Paint - \$1200.00.
- Will begin roadside mowing next week
- Working on placing items on govdeals.com
- Will review the tape on the Zimmerman storm tile.

Mr. Mike Willis made motion to allow Mr. Saionz to seal and stripe the parking lot and 4 Mile House Cemetery in the amount of \$6316.05. Mr. Gilbert Overmyer seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Overmyer - yes, Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - absent.

Mr. Dean Schneider stated the chicken barbecue was a success. They were sold out within 58 minutes and approximately \$2,000 was made from it.

Mr. Schneider questioned if the department holds an awards banquet/ceremony if the Trustees can pay for it. Mr. Willis will check with Attorney Jim Barney.

Mr. Schneider provided his 2019 Budget request.

Mr. Overmyer will attend the Grant Seekers meeting to apply for a grant to fund the Fire Department sign.

Mr. Overmyer stated the original lease with Dave Wagner has changed due to the township taking two more acres than what was agreed. The lease will need to be redone and a refund will have to be given to Mr. Wagner. Ms. Zienta will provide a copy of the lease to Mr. Overmyer for revision.

Mr. Overmyer received a call from Denise Ash, Stone Street, regarding water in her front yard due to the catch basin being too high. Mr. Overmyer informed her the catch basin belongs to the City of Fremont and will need to contact them.

Mr. Overmyer submitted his 2019 Budgets request.

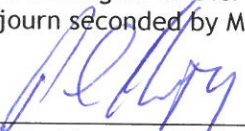
Mr. Paul Lotycz reminded the Board of the meeting tomorrow morning with the City of Fremont regarding a JEDD formation.

Mr. Mike Willis moved to adopt the following Resolution #2018-5.2. A Resolution of Necessity pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §5705.03 requesting the Sandusky County Auditor to certify to the Sandusky Township Trustees the total current tax valuation of Sandusky Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a .5 mill renewal for current operating expenses. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded Resolution. Vote as follows: Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - yes, Mr. Overmyer - yes.

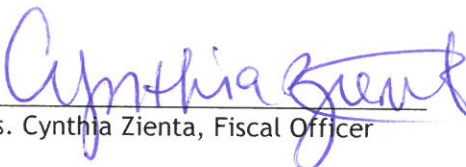
Mr. Mike Willis moved to adopt the following Resolution #2018-5.3. A Resolution of Necessity pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §5705.03 requesting the Sandusky County Auditor to certify to the Sandusky Township Trustees the total current tax valuation of Sandusky Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a .5 mill renewal for the general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads and bridges. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded Resolution. Vote as follows: Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - yes, Mr. Overmyer - yes.

Mr. Mike Willis made motion to purchase a laptop computer for the Zoning Inspector. Mr. Paul Lotycz seconded motion. Vote as follows: Mr. Willis - yes, Mr. Lotycz - yes, Mr. Overmyer - yes.

There being no further Business to come before the Board of Trustees, Mr. Overmyer made motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Willis.



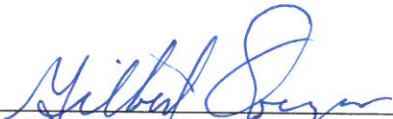
Mr. Paul Lotycz, Chairman



Ms. Cynthia Zienta, Fiscal Officer



Mr. Mike Willis, Trustee



Mr. Gilbert Overmyer, Trustee