

Pierce Township Trustees
Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2016

Call to Order

Chairman Robert W. Pautke called the regular meeting of council to order at 4:35 p.m. Chairman Robert W. Pautke, Trustee Bonnie Batchler and Trustee Allen Freeman were present at roll call.

Executive Session

At 4:35 p.m. Trustee Batchler made a motion, seconded by Trustee Freeman to enter Executive session pursuant to ORC 121.22 ((G) (1) & (2) to consider the employment and compensation of public employees. Present in executive session Attorney Tom Keating, Administrator Tim Hershner, Police Chief Jeff Bachman, Fire Chief Craig Wright, Service Department Director John Koehler and Fiscal Officer Debbie Schwey. Roll call on motion: All aye.

At 6:37 p.m. Trustee Batchler made a motion, seconded by Trustee Freeman, to leave executive session, with no action being taken the Board during the Executive Session. Roll call: All aye.

MEETING RECONVENED

At 6:37 pm, Chairman Pautke asked the Board to return to the main meeting room and asked everyone to stand for the Invocation. Other township department leaders in attendance, Police Chief Bachman, Fire Chief Wright, Assistant Fire Chief Scott Light, Service Department Director John Koehler, Township Attorney, Tom Keating, Administrator Hershner and Fiscal Officer Schwey.

INVOCATION

Sgt. Poe of the police dept. led the Board and residents prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Trustee Batchler led the Board and residents in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Committee Update: Green Space/Parks

Administrator Hershner introduced Mr. George Carpenter who presented to the Board the Park and Nature Space Master Plan.

A motion is made, based on the recommendation of the Parks Committee, that the board approve the Park and Nature Space Master Plan as previously submitted. Trustee Freeman made the motion to approve and seconded by Trustee Batchler. Roll call: All aye.

Mr. Carpenter also presented to the Board that residents have mentioned to him they would like to purchase and donate park benches to the park.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of the Parks Committee, that the Board approve a set price, \$1,500.00, for donations of a bench with donor plaque. The bench and plaque to be purchased and placed by the Township in compliance with the Design Standards set forth in the Parks and Nature Space Master Plan. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

Zone Change Z2016-004

Administrator Hershner presented to the Board to set public hearing date for zone change at 1123 Ohio Pike John & Gloria Owens (Z2016-004).

A motion is made, to set Public Hearing date for May 23, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. for zone change case #Z2016-004. Trustee Pautke made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Batchler. Roll call: All aye.

Trustee Pautke called for Executive Session on May 23, 2016 at 5:00p.m to consider the employment and compensation of public employees – ORC 121.22(G)(1).

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Administrator Hershner, that the Board appoint Jeff Stitt to the Zoning Commission Board for a five year term from 06/01/2016 – 05/31/2021. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

Trustee Updates

Trustee Freeman and Service Department Director Koehler met with county engineers to discuss ways to work together to try and create funds for the township and county roads.

Trustee Freeman met with residents on Nine Mile Road regarding flooding after the heavy rains in April. Trustee Freeman stated there may be some water shed issues.

Trustee Batchler was impressed the Police Academy headed up by Sgt. Julie Poe at how well it went and how well attended. There are plans to have another class.

Fiscal Reports

The fiscal officer included and provided a cash summary, a bank reconciliation report, receipt account status report and an appropriation status report to the Board of Trustees.

Approval of Minutes, Motions and Resolutions

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey, that the Board approve the April 12 and 13, 2016 Board of Trustees meeting minutes. Trustee Freeman made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Batchler. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey; the Board approves the bills from March 31,, 2016 in the amount of \$18,918.65as previously presented. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey; the Board approves the bills from April 8, 2016 in the amount of \$74,181.55 as previously presented. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey; the Board approves the bills from April 11, 2016 in the amount of \$26,386.02 as previously presented. Trustee Freeman made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Batchler. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey; the Board approves the bills from April 19, 2016 in the amount of \$32,682.85 as previously presented. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey; the Board approves the payroll from April 20, 2016 in the amount of \$127,527.36 as previously presented. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey; the Board approves the bills from April 26, 2016 in the amount of \$134,039.04 as previously presented. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey, the Board approved the bills from April 29, 2016 in the amount of \$-19,940.28 as previously presented. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey; the Board approves joining The Center for Local Government dental plan with Dental Care Plus. Trustee Freeman made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Batchler. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey that the Board approve the Platinum Dental Care Plus plan for the year 2016-2017. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey that the Board approve the payment of the West Clermont School reimbursement in the amount of \$62,388.14. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fire Chief Wright, that the Board accept the resignation of part time employee Dennis Jason Kiefer effective immediately. He is leaving due to time constraints. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fire Chief Wright, that the Board hire Douglas Arthur Streeter Jr. as part time Firefighter/Paramedic at the established rate pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements and a 1 year probationary period noting that all associated expenses be that of the Township. Trustee made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

Open Floor Discussion

Resident David Fankhauser of Nine Mile Rd. presented to the Board of Trustees slides and pictures of the flooding on Nine Mile Rd. Trustee Freeman made a comment to take leadership of this matter and to work with the residents and to work with the county to find ways to fix the flooding with creeks overflowing and water running off of the hills onto the residents property.

Adjournment

Trustee Batchler made the motion, seconded by Trustee Freeman to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

ATTESTED:

The Pierce Township approved the foregoing minutes of the Board of Trustees on: June 8, 2016

Debbie Schwey, Township Fiscal Officer

Robert W. Pautke, Chairman
Pierce Township Board of Trustees