

Pierce Township Trustees
Meeting Minutes

September 7, 2016

The Board of Trustees of Pierce Township, Clermont County, Ohio met for their Regular Meeting at 5:30 PM, on Wednesday, June 7, 2016 at the Pierce Township Administration Building, 950 Locust Corner Road.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Robert W. Pautke, Trustee Bonnie Batchler and Trustee Allen Freeman were present at roll call. Mr. Keating, Attorney, Fire Chief Craig Wright, Assistant Fire Chief Scott Light, Police Chief Jeff Bachman, Service Department Director John Koehler and Fiscal Officer Debbie Schwey were also present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:31p.m. Trustee Batchler made a motion, seconded by Trustee Freeman to enter into Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22 ((G) (1) to consider the employment and compensation of public employees. Roll call: All aye.

At 6:30p.m. Trustee Batchler made a motion, seconded by Trustee Freeman to leave Executive Session, with no action being taken by the Board during the Executive Session.

MEETING RECONVENED

At 6:35p.m. Chairman Pautke asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and to reconvene the Regular Meeting.

CELEBRATORY EVENTS

Chairman Pautke presented to Boy Scout Troop #443 certificate for cleaning up and extending the nature trails in the park. The scouts worked approximately 153 hours on the trail.

COMPREHENSION PLAN UPDATE

Mr. Doug Thompson, chairman of the Economic Development Committee presented to the trustees their overall goals for the township. Mr. Thompson gave the strengths of the township, identify and pursue revenue opportunities, work and seek out leverage for development and work with all townships committees and their departments and construct an Investor/Developer **Tool Box**. Also discussed, commercial development, recreational development, entertainment districts along St. Rt. 125. Also planned was setting up a **Tool Box** on the website, which will contain a one stop shop for pertinent information about the township putting everything needed to begin working on the economic development plans.

Chairman Pautke made the motion to approve moving forward with development of the **Tool Box** as presented and approve moving forward with development of action steps needed to move the Ohio Pike/St. Rt. 125 study forward. Trustee Freeman seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Roll call: All aye.

CELEBRATORY EVENTS CONTINUED

Chief Bachman commented on the success of National Night Out. The chief thanked the Service Department and Fire Department for their help.

Lt. Owens, Firefighter/EMS, Firefighter/Paramedic Kaitlyn Combs, Firefighter/EMT John Quirk and Firefighter/EMT Matt Stultz rescued dog stuck in drain pipe on Hopper Ridge Road.

The Service Department received compliment on Palestine Road paving from resident Sue Inderhees.

TRUSTEE UPDATES

Trustee Freeman is gathering additional data for development within the township.

The rules for medical marijuana has not been stated yet by the state.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

The fiscal office included and provided a cash summary by fund, a bank reconciliation report, receipt account status report and an appropriation status report to the Board of Trustees and requested the following motions.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fiscal Officer Schwey, that the Board approve the August 1, 2016(Special Meeting), August 10, 2016(Regular Meeting) and August 29, 2016 (Special Meeting) 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, that the Board approve the bills in the amount of \$402,252.63 from the month of August 2016 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, that the Board approve the payroll in the amount of \$245,343.49 from the month of August 2016 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, that the Board approve the reissue of purchase order for the new UAN accounting system. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Chairman Pautke, that the Board accept Tom Sill resignation as alternate on the Zoning Commission Board. Chairman Pautke made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Batchler. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Chairman Pautke, that the Board appoint Mr. George Carpenter and Ms Nancy Ball to the settlement agreement committee

effective immediately. Chairman Pautke made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Discussion followed. Roll call: All aye.

Chairman Pautke motioned to extend date for deadline for Tri-State Properties acquisition to October 31, 2016. Trustee Batchler seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Roll call: All aye.

A motion is made, based upon the recommendation of Fire Chief Wright, that the Board hire Timothy Michael Peaker as part-time Firefighter/Paramedic at the established rate pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirements and a 1 year probationary period. Trustee Batchler made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Freeman. Roll call: All aye.

OPEN FLOOR DISCUSSION

Questions were asked about the number of zoning calls received. Trustee Freeman reported they were various questions from residents.

Questions from Boy Scout (Andy) regarding the economic plans and Tool Box and how it will work for the township. Trustee Freeman explained how the economic plans were progressing and the tool box will help speed up the process for development.

Mr. Shadwell asked about the properties surrounding Pierce Pointe. No plans as of yet for this property.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:03p.m. Trustee. Batchler made a motion, seconded by Trustee Freeman to adjourn the meeting. Roll call: All aye.

ATTESTED:

The Pierce Township approved the foregoing minutes of the Board of Trustees on: October 12, 2016

Debbie Schwey, Township Fiscal Officer

Robert W. Pautke, Chairman
Pierce Township Board of Trustees