

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SEPTEMBER 26 , 2018 - REGULAR MEETING 7 :00 PM 23 MAPLE DRIVE, COLUMBUS, OHIO
43228

Chairman Steve Kennedy called this meeting of the Prairie Township Board of Trustees to order on September 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. with Trustee Doug Stormont and Trustee Cathy Schmelzer present. Tracy Hatmaker, Township Administrator, Fire Chief Chris Snyder and Randi Good, HR/Operations Coordinator, were also in attendance. (See attached sign in sheet for a complete list of additional attendees).

Mr. Kennedy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes - September 12, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Kennedy moved to approve the September 12 , 2018 regular meeting minutes . Mr. Stormont seconded. The votes were as follows: Mr. Stormont , Aye; Mr. Kennedy , Aye; Mrs. Schmelzer , Aye. The meeting minutes for the September 12 , 2018 regular meeting were approved .

Report from the Franklin County Sheriff 's Office

Deputy Hatfield spoke before the Board and reported that 73 criminal acts have occurred over the past two weeks including the confiscation of 400 pounds of marijuana. He was available to questions from those in attendance.

Fiscal Officer 's Report

Approval of Warrant s and Payroll

This week's warrants list detailed payments to 85 vendors (16 warrants were voided due to computer malfunction) summing \$270,989.94. Approximately 61% of this total is comprised of payments to the Franklin County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$74,558.76 for the monthly contract and \$90,612.92 to the Franklin County Commissioners for monthly insurance premiums.

Dan requested the Board's approval to pay all items on this week's warrant list summing \$270,989.94 along with this week's payroll of \$215,990.40 for a total cash disbursement of \$486,980.34.

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Kennedy motioned "so moved". Mr. Stormont seconded. The votes were as follows: Mr . Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye; M rs. Schmelzer , Aye. Motion passed.

Standing Business:

Fire Department

Injury Leave Request

Chad Story suffered an on duty injury on August 14, 2018 and has been seeing his doctor regularly since then. He has requested, in writing, that the Board approve his use of Injury Leave for time spent at these appointments and credit his Sick Leave accordingly. This is in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement and requires Board approval.

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Kennedy moved that the Board approve Chad Story 's request to use Injury Leave for doctor appointments related to his August 14, 2018 on-duty injury and credit used Sick Leave accordingly. Mr. Stormont seconded. The votes were as follows: Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye; Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye. Motion passed.

Pay Request - Fire Safety Materials

Chief Snyder asked the Board to approve payment to Alert-All Corp. in the amount of \$3,085.00 for fire safety week materials.

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Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Kennedy moved that the Board approve a request for payment to Alert-All Corp. in the amount of \$3,085.00 for fire safety week materials and authorize the Fiscal Office to issue a warrant on September 27, 2018. Mr. Stormont seconded. The votes were as follows: Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye; Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye. Motion passed.
Community Center

No items.

Roads, Cemeteries, and Parks Department

Crosswalk Markings

Mr. Hatmaker asked the Board to approve Crosswalk Markings for the HellBranch Multi-Use Trail. The cost of these markings is \$3,244.50 and the vendor is Paul Peterson Company. This is 75% reimbursable through our ODNR grant.

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board approve crosswalk markings for the HellBranch Multi-Use Trail by Paul Peterson Company at a cost of \$3,244.50. Mr. Stormont seconded. The votes were as follows: Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye; Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye. Motion passed.

Building and Zoning:

No items.

Administration

Nuisance Cases

Louis Martinez spoke before the Board on his property - 400 Postle Boulevard. He explained that the plants are pepper plants and not weeds. The Board took his property off the list for this meeting.

Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-311 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 4852-4904 West Broad Street ." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-313 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 219 North Grener Avenue." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-314 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 438 Lennox Avenue ." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-317 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 311 Pasadena Avenue ." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-320 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 346 Topsfield Road ." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-323 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 8481 Conbrook Court." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-324 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 262 Green Lake Street ." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

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Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-326 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 8597 Renaa Avenue." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-327 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 150 Fernhill Avenue ." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-331 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 380 Postle Boulevard." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-333 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 307 Woodlawn Avenue ." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Kennedy move that the Board adopt Resolution NU-334 -18 "A Resolution declaring nuisance and ordering abatement at 6280 Bausch Road ." Mr. Stormont seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Resolution Accepting Tax Levies for the 2019 Collection Year (Res. 44-18)

Mr. Hatmaker asked the Board to approve Resolution 44-18, which accepts the Budget Commission's tax amounts and rates and authorizes the county to collect the taxes. The Franklin County Budget Commission requests such a resolution annually to set tax amounts and rates for the upcoming year.

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Kennedy moved that the Board adopt Resolution 44-18, "A resolution accepting the amounts and rates determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor. " Mr. Stormont seconded. The roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Nay ; Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye. Motion passed.

Rail Crossing Study Letter

Mr. Hatmaker asked the Board to authorize the Township Administrator to sign and send a letter to the Executive Director at the Ohio Rail Development Commission. This letter addresses the upcoming SPR funded rail crossing study and Mr. Hatmaker requested that they consider using the Hilliard-Rome crossing as the urban crossing for the study. At the Board's request, MORPC conducted a weeklong video survey of the crossing, which was shared with ODOT in July expressing the benefits of studying this area with it being near the rail yard.

Comments/Issues: None

Mr. Kennedy moved that the Board approve sending a letter to the Ohio Rail Development Commission regarding the upcoming rail study and authorize the Township Administrator to sign the letter. Mr. Stormont seconded. The votes were as follows: Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye; Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye. Motion passed.

Executive Session

At 7:22 p.m., Mr. Kennedy moved that the Board go into executive session as per ORC Section 121.22 (G) (1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee. Mr. Stormont Seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

At 7:40 p.m., Mr. Kennedy moved that the Board come out of executive session. Mr. Stormont Seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mrs. Schmelzer, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Trustee Kennedy announced that no decisions were made during this executive session.

Old Business

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None

New Business

None

Public Comment

None

Announcements

None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Chairman Steve Kennedy

Fiscal Officer Dan McCardle