

APRIL 6, 2010 – REGULAR SESSION

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of BOARD OF TRUSTEES – BATAVIA TOWNSHIP –

The Board of Trustees of Batavia Township met in regular session Tuesday April 6, 2010 at the Batavia Township Community Center.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Fiscal Officer, Jennifer Haley gave the roll call for the Board of Trustees. Present were: Mr. Cornett, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Sauls, and Fiscal Officer, Jennifer Haley. Also present were Rex Parsons, Township Administrator, and Denise Kelley, Zoning Administrator.

BUSINESS RECOGNITION

Mr. Wilson welcomed a Batavia Township business, Cutting Edge located at 1535 Old State Route 74. Mr. Parsons introduced owner, Tim Beckman, who spoke on behalf of his company with a slide presentation. They cut either concrete or metal structures, core drilling, hydraulic splitting, etc. They cut under sea or on land, around the world. On behalf of the Batavia Trustees, Mr. Wilson presented a plaque to Mr. Beckman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the agenda of the April 6, 2010 meeting as presented. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	
Mr. Wilson	yes	Motion carried

Mr. Cornett motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the March 2 and March 9, 2010 meetings as presented. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mr. Wilson	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	Motion carried

FISCAL OFFICER

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the March 2010 financial reports. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Sauls	yes	
Mr. Wilson	yes	
Mr. Cornett	yes	Motion carried

DEPOSITORY AGREEMENTS RESOLUTION 4-1-2010

Mr. Cornett motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the depository agreements from local banks, **Resolution 4-1-2010**. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	
Mr. Wilson	yes	Motion carried

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Pat Manger and Dave Spinney represented the Clermont County Engineer’s office. Pat Manger spoke about the upcoming road improvements/projects in the township.

Spence Faxon and Bill Grafe represented Integrys Energy, and Mr. Faxon spoke concerning natural gas and electric aggregation.

Paul Smith, V.P. Duke Energy retail sales spoke their endorsement program.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Denise Kelley gave her March report. There were 7 house permits this month. Dave Sheppard continues working on the zoning violations. The Board of Zoning Appeals reviewed and approved application from Mr. Larry Roberts in regards to the sports facility on the corner of Taylor and Clough.

There was some discussion about creating a policy connecting sidewalks.

Greg and Dan VonLuerte, Stonelick-Olive Branch Rd, property owners, voiced concerns concerning a connecting property/neighbor on Taylor Rd. Property.

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Parsons said that Batavia Township is at about 61% for returned census surveys.

Mr. Parsons and Mr. Embry discussed the disposition of existing pick-up trucks that will be surplus material. These will be advertised.

The Master Gardners have indicated a desire to build a 25' x 40' cement patio and landscaping for the homeless shelter. This modification would require approval from the trustees. The Trustees were all in favor.

The County Commissioners will have a town hall meeting September 21 at the Williamsburg School. This will include Batavia Village, Batavia Township, Williamsburg village and Williamsburg Township.

Mr. Parsons submitted an application for CDBG, a grant for a bathroom facility on the Township Community Center property.

A pre-bid commitment for 1,000 tons of salt was submitted.

Mr. Embry is working on the list of roads for the 2010 road paving project.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

CENTRAL JOINT FIRE EMS district applied for a grant to purchase a generator.

Members of the community would like to have a community garden. They will tend the garden, plant herbs and vegetables. This could possibly be at the homeless shelter but the soil does not drain.

Website quotes. This will be discussed later.

Committee reports, Union Cemetery, CJFED. Mr. Wilson commented the cemetery looks very nice. Mr. Sauls said there was a resolution for a block grant to put up the warning siren on the Township Center property.

OLD BUSINESS

Equipment purchase – Mr. Cornett motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees pass **Resolution 4-4-2010** authorizing equipment purchase retroactive to March 9, 2010. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Sauls	yes	
Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mr. Wilson	yes	Motion carried

Mt. Holly road name change – This will be on the Commissioner’s docket on April 21st for a public hearing.

State route 125 business corridor – Mr. Parsons is working on this issue with signs and the adjoining townships.

UC East/Clermont IRG status. U.C. sent the Trustees a letter about the sale of the property. The closing was April 2nd on the property.

RID funds – We need a workshop session to look at the overall site and discuss our needs, parking and/or ballfields, etc. The meeting will be Monday 9 a.m. on April 12, 2010.

Maintenance Interviews – Mr. Embry is reviewing applicants for the open position. The second interviews with the Trustees will be incorporated in the workshop session at 10:30 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Mowing Contract

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees accept the Clerco’s proposal for grass mowing at the Township’s 4 cemeteries. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Wilson	yes	
Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	Motion carried

Speed Study

Will be discussed further at a later time.

Health Insurance Discussion

Mr. Parsons is communicating with our agent and will rectify any issues we have.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Sauls recommended the Batavia Township Board of Trustees enter executive session to discuss legal issues on zoning matters. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion at 8:32 p.m.

Mr. Sauls recommended the Batavia Township Board of Trustees leave executive session. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion at 9:12 p.m.

Mr. Cornett yes
Mr. Wilson yes
Mr. Sauls yes

Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Sauls motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Archie Wilson,
Chairman

Jennifer Haley,
Fiscal Officer