

August 26, 2011 – SPECIAL MEETING
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of BOARD OF TRUSTEES – BATAVIA TOWNSHIP –

The Board of Trustees of Batavia Township met for a special meeting at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, August 26, 2011 at the Batavia Township Community Center.

CALL TO ORDER

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Rex Parsons gave the roll call for the Board of Trustees. Present were: Mr. Cornett, Mr. Sauls, and Mr. Dowdney. Also present was Rex Parsons, Township Administrator, Ken Embry, Maintenance, and Denise Kelley, Zoning Administrator.

TEMPORARY FISCAL OFFICER

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees appoint Rex Parsons as temporary Fiscal Officer. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Dowdney	yes	
Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	Motion carried

PLAQUE AND DESIGNS

Mr. Parsons presented to the Trustees a draft of the plaque. There was discussion about the wording on the plaque.

CONCESSION BUILDING UPDATE

Everything is up-to-date. The Township will be purchasing the stone soon. Due to an issue with the sewer, the Township will need to obtain a grinder pump. Mr. Parsons is contacting several vendors to obtain pricing. The interior of the building is almost complete.

NUISANCE CODE VIOLATION-RESOLUTION 8-03-2011

Mrs. Kelley gave an update and presented a picture of the violation at 3818 State Route 132 due to tall grass. Mrs. Kelley obtained an estimate of the clean-up at approximately \$600 plus the cost of time and expense to the Township. This bill goes to the Clermont County Auditor. Mr. Dowdney motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees pass **Resolution 8-03-2011** allowing the Township to proceed with taking care of mowing as well as taking care of the overgrowth on the property located at 3818 State Route 132. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	
Mr. Dowdney	yes	Motion carried

FEMA UPDATE

Mr. Parsons reminded the Trustees that Lucy Run Cemetery Road is being closed today. The tile is near failure and there is potential for the road to collapse. An estimate for repair from the Clermont County Engineer was presented to the Board totalling \$47,525.00. Mr. Parsons will obtain a Memorandum of Understanding from the Engineer's office to go ahead with the repairs in expectation of funding from FEMA. Repair could take two weeks.

TWIN OAKS POND SIGN

An Eagle Scout would like to do a project and indicated he would like to make a sign for the pond. He will raise \$300 and purchase a 500 pound stone to be engraved. He will also speak with Auxier about obtaining topsoil and mulch as well as landscape from Bard's Nursery. The Board will be able to review the work before it is in place.

BLEACHERS

Mr. Parsons presented a price for a three-row bleacher. Four were originally purchased in March. After meeting with the representative the bleachers will be placed beside the dug-out area. Four more will be needed. Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the purchase of four more three-row bleachers for the ball fields. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mr. Dowdney	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	Motion carried

CLERMONT COUNTY FALLEN HEROES

Mr. Parsons noted the Clermont County Veteran's Service Commission contacted the Township regarding adding a 24-inch square stone (overall length 12 feet) to the Memorial located at the Community Center. This would include engraving the 14 names of those who have lost their lives since the Vietnam War in the military. A dedication is planned for November 11, 2011.

EAST FORK WATER SHED

A collaborative update was given by Becky McClatchy. An outline of the plan, including incentive programs, was given to the Board for review. This is just a tool for each Township so they can understand where the critical watershed features exist. There were questions and discussion. The Township's endorsement/support of this project is that they agree with the criteria selected to identify these areas, like the areas designated and like the incentives that the state is offering. It was suggested to have a conservation development program/design.

ANNEXATION REQUEST – RESOLUTION 8-01-2011

On August 11, the Township received the petition from the Village of Batavia to annex 286+ acres into Batavia Township. This is a type 2 expedited petition as used before when the village annexed U.C. Clermont. Discussion ensued. Mr. Dowdney motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees adopt **Resolution 8-01-2011**. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Cornett	yes
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Mr.Sauls yes
Mr. Dowdney yes Motion carried

UC BASEBALL

There has been discussion concerning renovating the baseball field on the Ford property for a home field for UC's baseball/softball team. There was also discussion about using one of Batavia Township's fields.

APPROPRIATION CHANGES – RESOLUTION 8-02-2011

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees adopt **Resolution 8-02-2011** to transfer \$30,000 from the Machinery Equipment and Repair Furniture account to the Road and Bridge Maintenance and Repair account. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Sauls yes
Mr. Cornett yes
Mr. Dowdney yes Motion carried

FILAGER ROAD

There was discussion concerning a grant application by Clermont County for the Filager Road project.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Sauls motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

Lee Cornett,
Chairman

Jennifer Haley,
Fiscal Officer