

April 8, 2013 – REGULAR SESSION

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of BOARD OF TRUSTEES – BATAVIA TOWNSHIP –

The Board of Trustees of Batavia Township met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. Monday, April 8, 2013, at the Batavia Township Community Center.

**CALL TO ORDER**

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Jennifer Haley, Fiscal Officer gave the roll call for the Board of Trustees. Present were: Mr. Dowdney, Mr. Sauls, and Mr. Perry. Also present were Jennifer Haley, Fiscal Officer, Rex Parsons, Township Administrator, Denise Kelley, Zoning Administrator, Kenneth Embry, Service Director, and Nick Goslin, Deputy Sheriff.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES**

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the April 8, 2013 agenda as presented. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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| Mr. Perry   | yes |                |
| Mr. Dowdney | yes |                |
| Mr. Sauls   | yes | Motion carried |

Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the March 4<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and March 20<sup>th</sup> special meeting as presented. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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| Mr. Sauls   | yes |                |
| Mr. Perry   | yes |                |
| Mr. Dowdney | yes | Motion carried |

**FISCAL OFFICER FINANCIAL REPORTS**

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

|             |     |                |
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| Mr. Dowdney | yes |                |
| Mr. Sauls   | yes |                |
| Mr. Perry   | yes | Motion carried |

**DEPUTY REPORT**

Deputy Nick Goslin reported on the monthly stats for March 2013. The Batavia Township Deputies answered 337 calls for service.

**REPORTS OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Embry presented the sign inventory report to the Trustees for signatures.

As of March 24 thru March 26, the last snow events, 21.529 ton of salt were used for a total year-to-date of 363 ton of salt which involved 16 trips.

Mr. Embry gave an update on the fencing estimates. Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees have the fencing replaced around the storage area at the maintenance facility by Hatton Fence for the cost of \$4710.00. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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|-------------|-----|----------------|
| Mr. Perry   | yes |                |
| Mr. Sauls   | yes |                |
| Mr. Dowdney | yes | Motion carried |

**REPORTS OF THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR**

Mr. Parsons announced the fishing derby will be June 22<sup>nd</sup>, around 10 a.m. to noon.

The CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) was discussed.

The flagpole has been ordered.

Mr. Parsons completed the application for the Nature Works Grant. Plans for the grant were discussed.

The flagpole has been ordered.

The Duke Energy Retail aggregation rate was 6.19 per kilowatt hour and is now lowered to 5.85 per kilowatt hour. This is a 6% decrease in electric generation charges.

The American Veterans Travel and Tribute, which is the traveling Viet Nam wall, is coming to Union Township Park on October 9<sup>th</sup> thru 13<sup>th</sup>. This is a community event.

The state has changed the annexation laws as referred to in Senate Bill 50.

The Fallen Heroes of Clermont County Memorial is at the Matt Maupin American Pavilion at East Fork Park.

The quarterly employee balance report was presented to the Trustees.

The Jim Bushman sign dedication will be held April 9<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at the baseball fields.

The Brian Wilson Field dedication will be April 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There is no update on the Moving Ohio Forward Grant.

The 1997 Crown Victoria was sold for scrap.

**REPORTS OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR**

Mrs. Kelley gave the March reports. Permits are up from last year.

Mrs. Kelley reported on the Board of Zoning Appeals and the Zoning Commission.

Mrs. Kelley and Mr. Parsons honored Tom Cole upon his letter of resignation. On behalf of the Township and the Trustees Mr. Dowdney presented to Mr. Cole the Township Citizen of the Year 2013 award for serving the Batavia Township Community since 1971; 42 years of dedicated service and unwavering leadership.

The Trustees took a break at 7:10 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:47 p.m.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

As part of Batavia Township's ongoing effort to recognize members of our business community, Mr. Parsons introduced Rick Lehn of Lehn Painting, Inc., 4175 Taylor Rd., Batavia. Mr. Lehn was recognized for his business in the township. Mr. Lehn spoke briefly about his business.

Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees accept the resignation of Tom Cole from the Zoning Commission. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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|-------------|-----|----------------|
| Mr. Sauls   | yes |                |
| Mr. Perry   | yes |                |
| Mr. Dowdney | yes | Motion carried |

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees appoint James Nichols to the Batavia Township Zoning Commission. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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|-------------|-----|----------------|
| Mr. Perry   | yes |                |
| Mr. Dowdney | yes |                |
| Mr. Sauls   | yes | Motion carried |

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Perry gave his report for Union Cemetery.

Mr. Sauls and Ms. Haley reported on CJFED. They are in union negotiations and are getting two new fire trucks.

Mr. Dowdney has been attending all the meeting for the CCTA. The banquet will be held April 18<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Sauls will be receiving the Life Time Achievement Award.

Mr. Parsons gave the update on the Hike Bike Trail. Funding has been received and bids will be opened in May. Continued construction will occur in September and October from the campground to the old Zagar Road and short Summit Road.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Liquor License Renewal**

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve a liquor license renewal for Buffalo Wings and Rings located at 2235 Bauer Road. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Sauls                    yes  
Mr. Dowdney                yes  
Mr. Perry                    yes                                Motion carried

**Seasonal Employee**

Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees hire Josh Reinhart as a seasonal employee to assist with maintenance of the park facility and possibly assist the Service Department at a rate of \$10.00 per hour. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Dowdney                yes  
Mr. Perry                    yes  
Mr. Sauls                    yes                                Motion carried

**July Meeting Date**

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees set the July meeting date for July 8, 2013. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Sauls                    yes  
Mr. Perry                    yes  
Mr. Dowdney                yes                                Motion carried

**May Meeting**

Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees set the May 6<sup>th</sup> meeting at 7:00 p.m. and the joint meeting will be at 6 p.m. in the village. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Sauls                    yes  
Mr. Dowdney                yes  
Mr. Perry                    yes                                Motion carried

**Liquor License Transfer**

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve a liquor license transfer at 1386 State Route 125 without a hearing. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Dowdney                yes  
Mr. Perry                    yes  
Mr. Sauls                    yes                                Motion carried

**BWC Payment**

Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve payment of \$8271.12 for the Township’s Bureau of Workers Compensation premium for 2013. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Perry                    yes  
Mr. Dowdney                yes  
Mr. Sauls                    yes                                Motion carried

**Resolution 4-01-13 Forefeiture of Land**

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve **Resolution 4-01-13** relative to allowing Mr. Parsons to pursue receiving forfeited land located at 3335 State Route 222 in Batavia Township. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Perry                    yes  
Mr. Dowdney                yes  
Mr. Sauls                    yes                                Motion carried

**Moving Ohio Forward Grant**

Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve submitting 3335 State Route 222 for demolition of structures on property located at 3335 State Route 222. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Sauls                    yes  
Mr. Perry                    yes  
Mr. Dowdney                yes                                Motion carried

**Clean-Up Days**

The Township Clean-up and recycle event will be held June 6, 7, and 8<sup>th</sup>. Paper shredding will take place Saturday, on site. Paint will also be recycled.

**DISCUSSION**

There was discussion on TIF Districts and potential projects.

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30 a.m. for a special meeting to discuss TIF districts. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Dowdney                yes  
Mr. Perry                    yes  
Mr. Sauls                    yes                                Motion carried

**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 8:38 p.m.

William Dowdney  
Chairman

Jennifer Haley,  
Fiscal Officer