

August 7, 2017 – REGULAR SESSION

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of BOARD OF TRUSTEES – BATAVIA TOWNSHIP –

The Board of Trustees of Batavia Township met in regular session at 6:01 p.m. Monday, August 7, 2017, at the Batavia Township Community Center.

CALL TO ORDER

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Jennifer Haley 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, and Deputy Dowers, Clermont County Sheriff’s Department.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

Mr. Dowdney motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the August 7, 2017 agenda as presented. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the July 10th regular meeting and July 17th special meeting as presented. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Ms. Haley gave the July financial reports. All donations were sent out for the Eastside Adventure Challenge.

Mr. Dowdney motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the July 2017 financial reports as presented. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

Cemetery Deed Transfer

Ms. Haley presented for Trustees’ signatures an Olive Branch Cemetery deed transfer from Linda Gillespie to Shandra Dougham.

DEPUTY REPORT

Deputy Brian Dowers gave the July 2017 report in Batavia Township. There were 17 adult arrests and 4 juvenile. There were 27 warrants served. There were 107 civil papers served. Recovered property totaled \$20,500 in July. There were 170 offense reports in the Township and 71 were taken by Township Deputies. There were 5 drug overdoses for the month.

REPORTS OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Mrs. Kelley gave the July reports, which included the BZA and the Zoning Commission. There were a total of 10 single family permits issued.

Mr. Harris has been doing a great job. The problem sites reported from last month are being worked on.

PUBLIC HEARING

B-01-14Z PD1 Hopes Way

Zoning Administrator Denise Kelley presented the case and offered a brief presentation.

Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve **B-01-14Z PD-PD1** as presented. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

REPORTS OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR

Mr. Embry is out of town and Mr. Parsons shared the updates.

The road paving project 2017 has been completed. There is no bill yet.

We are currently getting prices on road striping, as well as pricing for crack sealing in some of our subdivisions. These cracks will extend the longevity of these roads.

There are dead trees in the Lucy Run Cemetery and Olive-Branch Cemetery that need to be removed. The adjacent property owners have been advised of the issue.

REPORTS OF THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Parsons gave an update on the row of trees along the Kluba property.

There are two recycling dumpsters that are now being emptied every day during the week. Unfortunately they are now being abused for trash, not just recycling.

There were over 800 people who attended the first National Night Out at the Township. There will be a follow-up meeting in two weeks to discuss the event.

On August 19th the Clermont DD will have a celebration at the Township for their 50th year.

The sidewalk project on Amelia Olive Branch is coming along. This is a County project.

Mr. Parsons spoke with Pat Monger about the transfer of roads. This is a joint application.

Mr. Parsons gave an update on the website redesign. Mr. Parsons will be presenting some designs when they are ready.

Mr. Parsons spoke about the picnic shelters and building use. They are reserved for residents of Batavia Township.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Perry reported on Union Cemetery. There will be a press release about the Graveyard Groomer.

Ms. Haley gave an update on CJFED.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 8-01-2017

Mr. Dowdney motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve **Resolution 8-01-2017** as it relates to placing gas aggregation on the ballot of the November 7th general election. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

Resolution 8-02-2017

Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve **Resolution 8-02-2017** as it relates to placing electric aggregation on the ballot of the November 7th general election. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

Police Contract Payment

Mr. Dowdney motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve payment of \$174,794.88 for the 2nd half of the 2017 for law enforcement contract with the Clermont County Sheriff. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

Street Sign Payment

Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve payment to the Lexington Run Homeowners Association in the amount of \$1,797.60 for the cost of installing a damaged stop sign post. This is retroactive to 8/31/17. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

Road Salt

Mr. Dowdney motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees accept the SWOP4G bid price of \$52.62 per ton of road salt from the Compass Salt Co. for a maximum of 600 tons. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

OLD BUSINESS

Park Improvements

There has been much positive response to the park improvements. Mr. Parsons spoke about a grant application for park improvements. Improvement ideas include playground play area surface and ball field drainage system. Ideas were shared and discussed.

Mr. Parsons check into pricing about a lightening warning siren.

Health Insurance Discussion

The health insurance renewal is coming up. Mr. Parsons submitted a plan to the Trustees. There was discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Perry motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Jim Sauls,
Chairman

Jennifer Haley,
Fiscal Officer