

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Etna Township Trustees Regular Meeting

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

July 2,

2012

Held

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The Etna Township Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, July 2, 2012 in the Etna Township Administration Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Carlisle. The invocation and The Pledge of Allegiance were done at the 6:00 meeting. The roll call showed Trustees Jeff Johnson, John Carlisle, Randy Foor, and Fiscal Officer Walter Rogers present.

Trustee Johnson moved to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Trustee Carlisle moved to table approving the June 16, 2012 regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

**Public Comments –**

Leroy Wilburn of 18 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue serves on the Etna Township Police Committee with Linda Snider and Bruce Hennick. The purpose of the committee was to evaluate the policing needs of Etna Township. Leroy Wilburn discussed the process and the report provided to the Trustees. Leroy Wilburn discussed a combined levy for the roads and police.

Bruce Hennick of 133 Reader Court stated when the committee was formed it was to place this issue on the November ballot and he feels safety is more important than roads.

Trustee Carlisle inquired about the O.R. C. section that allows for the township to do a Safety and Security Levy. Leroy Wilburn contacted two different townships in Ohio that have done combination levies but he did not get the O.R.C. section and will provide this information to the Trustees. Trustee Carlisle stated the law in Ohio requires the Trustees to make the roads safe and passable. To have an issue on the November Ballot it must be to the Board of Elections by August 20, 2012.

Linda Snider of 7347 National Road stated the committee was charged to provide facts and figures to the Trustees within a timeframe with recommendations to be placed on the ballot. She requested the Trustee's review the report with the same faith that they presented the report to them.

John Antritt of 11 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue stated his concern is safety for the Mayflower Addition and all of Etna Township. He thanked them for the speed machine and it worked for at least a month. He would rather have safety over the nice roads.

Sandra Osborne of 99 Cedar Park Boulevard stated the township needs safety and more presence of the Sheriff.

Isis Wilburn of 18 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue feels that Etna needs to provide safety for her family and would like this placed on the ballot so the residents of Etna can vote on this issue. She asked who she should talk to regarding the safety of the residents.

Trustee Carlisle explained the Licking County Sheriff's Office is responsible for protecting Etna Township and all of the townships in Licking County. Trustee Carlisle stated the township needs infrastructure this does not mean he does not agree that additional police protection is also needed. The Licking County Prosecutor's Office will need to prepare the ballot language.

Trustee Carlisle explained the Local Government Fund. Etna Township has the most roads and largest population but we get the lowest amount of money. He also discussed the Casino Funds. Trustee Carlisle discussed making sure the township will get what they are paying for from the Licking County Sheriff's Office.

John Antritt of 11 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue stated safety is the most valuable thing the Trustees could give them. He understands the Trustees have state guidelines.

Trustee Foor discussed the process. After reviewing the report provided by the Police Committee he has fifteen to eighteen questions. If the township does contract with the Licking County Sheriff's office to patrol does the deputy that currently patrols this area go away or will they be in addition. The Trustees will need to review this study and then meet with the Police Committee. Trustee Foor's personal opinion is to make sense of the study and figure out the details then put it on the ballot for the residents of Etna Township to decide.

Sandra Osborne of 99 Cedar Park stated they did not come tonight to be against anyone they just want a safe environment.

Trustee Carlisle explained the process of placing an issue on the ballot. Trustee Foor stated the township has offered the use of the building to the officer's and they have access to the building.

Marcus Naranjo of 60 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue stated he believes the Trustees feel there is a concern but it is not on the top of their mind. He feels this should have already been taken care of.

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Trustee Foor believes this is all a part of the feasibility study that the Police Committee should bring to the Trustees. There is another election in February. Trustee Carlisle stated the township is always on his mind and Etna Township is his priority.

John Antritt of 11 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue discussed prioritizing and setting goals. Trustee Foor stated he just received this report to review it and to ask questions. Leroy Wilburn appreciates what the Trustees have done and would like to know what the next steps are for the levy.

Bruce Hennick stated they thought giving it to them on Friday morning would give them enough time to review the report. The issues with the severe weather did cause problems. Bruce Hennick stated they did put in a lot of hours of their own time. Trustee Foor stated that this group of people did not give the Trustees a chance to say thank you or good job. Trustee Carlisle did thank them for their time and the work on the report. Because of the weather, starting at 6:30 p.m. Friday night the concern was getting the roads in the township open.

Carlina Runkle Kirby of 15 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue discussed the need for safety for the children and discussed the crime rate in the area.

Lucia Galvan of 22 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue discussed the taxes that we are paying and is concerned with the safety of their children. She discussed Mayflower not having street lights in the community. Trustee Carlisle suggested they call their County Commissioners so Etna Township receives its share of the tax money.

Trustee Foor asked what happens when we have contracted for additional presence but Mayflower does not get 100% presence because the officer is in another part of the township. This is why a feasibility study needs to be completed.

Henry Naranjo of 60 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue wanted to know if the residents are in front of the right board. Trustee Foor explained the Board of Trustees formed the Police Committee. The Board of Trustees will review the study and then decide if they take the issue to the voters.

Fiscal Officer Rogers suggested going onto the auditor's website to see their property tax card. The township receives money from Licking County for Roads and Bridges only. Licking County is responsible for police protection.

Linda Snider of 7347 National Road stated the experiences she has had with the Licking County Sheriff's office have been favorable. She is a numbers person and after reviewing the numbers her outlook on needing more police protection changed and she is now in favor of the extra protection.

Bruce Hennick referenced the Saturday meeting with Randy Thorp where it was stated several townships have contracted with Sheriff's Departments for deputies. He also referenced Berlin Township who the Police Committee was told contracts with a Sheriff's Department.

The Trustees are committed to researching this issue and will address this at their next meeting.

### Reports

**Road Department** – The written Road Report was reviewed.

**Zoning Department** – The written Zoning Report was reviewed. Chris Harkness discussed the request from O.D.O.T. regarding oversized trucks using Etna Parkway instead of State Route 310. The Trustees are tabling this letter until the next Trustees meeting so Trustee Carlisle can look into this issue.

Trustee Carlisle discussed the Transportation Task Force Meeting regarding hiring a consulting firm. Part of the JEDZ funds should be used for infrastructure improvements.

**Resolution 12-07-02-02:** Trustee Carlisle moved to earmark 10% of our (the township's) JEDZ funds for infrastructure improvements so that in the event we need to go forward with improvements or infrastructure studies that the money is available so we will not have to go back and do it again. The motion was seconded by Trustee Johnson. Discussion: Trustee Carlisle believes this is something we need to do especially with the S.R. 310 bridge project. This would be by approval by the Board of Trustees. This would be from the JEDZ funds that are received by the City of Newark from the JEDZ tax. Trustee Carlisle stated this is a commitment to the Transportation Taskforce that the money is there for projects like the S.R. 310 Bridge. Trustee Carlisle stated the Taskforce is also asking for commitments from other entities. Chris Harkness explained that letters are being sent to ask for support. Trustee Carlisle stated Etna Township is the bigger stakeholder and the cost will be distributed but the amount has not been determined. Trustee Foor clarified that no funds will be paid without the full board's approval. The Trustees discussed the process with the budget and being able to track how the JEDZ funds are being spent. The motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

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**JEDZ 1 and 2** – The JEDZ Board will be meeting on July 27, 2012.

**Water & Sewer** – Gary Burkholder discussed the power outages and how the storm affected the Water and Sewer District. The budget has been approved with no salary increases and no increases in rates at this time. The budget was approved as a deficit budget.

**Announcement and Trustee Comments**

Trustee Carlisle reported on the storm and all of the roads but Palmer Road are now open. The Road Crew did an awesome job.

**Fiscal Report**

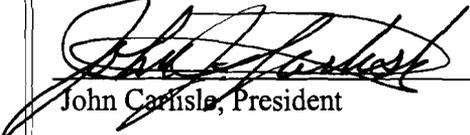
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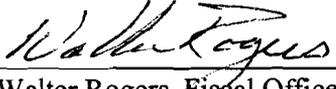
|                          | Receipts        | Expenditures |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| General Fund             | 22,797.70       | 27,586.03    |
| MV License Tax           | 6,168.45        | 2,206.03     |
| Gasoline Tax             | 14,996.76       | 953.78       |
| Road & Bridge Fund       | 0.00            | 11,910.79    |
| Cemetery                 | 0.00            | 0.00         |
| Special Assessment       | 0.00            | 343.12       |
| Misc. Special            | 0.00            | 0.00         |
| Misc. Debt               | 0.00            | 0.00         |
| Road Right of Way Permit | <u>2,500.00</u> | <u>0.00</u>  |
| Total                    | \$46,462.91     | \$42,999.75  |

Funds Total June 30, 2012 is \$1,524,571.96.

Trustee Johnson moved to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Trustee Johnson moved to adjourn at 8:39 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

  
John Carlisle, President

  
Walter Rogers, Fiscal Officer