

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Etna Township Trustees Regular Meeting

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

February 18th,

2012

Held _____ 20 _____

The Etna Township Board of Trustees met on Saturday, February 18th, 2012 in the Etna Township Administration Building. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Carlisle. Jeff Johnson led the invocation and Mike Waller led The Pledge of Allegiance. 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 the February 7th, 2012 regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Public Comments –

Mark Schaff of 7461 National Road congratulated John Carlisle on his election to the Ohio Township Association Board of Directors and discussed the benefits this will offer to Etna Township. Mark Schaff discussed an article from the February 12th edition of the Pataskala Standard that provided a comparison on water districts and their usage rates. The Southwest Water and Sewer District was the highest by far and would like the Trustees to research the facts in the article. If the facts in the article are correct then Mark Schaff would like to know why the rates are so high.

Featured Guest -

Licking County Commissioner Candidate Dan Coffman

Dan Coffman discussed the charter form of government. The Licking County Commissioners are currently limited in their authority. Licking County currently uses a statutory form of government. A charter form of government is a home rule style of government. This style of government would give the commissioners the ability to not only manage the budget but to also make more decisions. Dan Coffman has requested the Licking County Commissioner's to place the issue of switching to a charter form of government on the ballot for the voters of Licking County to decide.

Dan Coffman discussed the CIC (Community Improvement Corporation) and agrees that it is a good idea but the township does not have any representation. He discussed the CIC that the City of Newark is developing. He supports local CIC's and focusing on small businesses.

Dan Coffman stated the charter form of government would save money. The Licking County Commissioner's current pay is determined by the Ohio Revised Code and is about \$67,000 dollars a year and they work 15 to 20 hours a week.

Dan Coffman explained the process. If the question is on the ballot for a charter form of government and is approved. Then there are nominations taken for the fifteen member board. The top fifteen are appointed to the board. This group of fifteen people will also serve on the transition board from the statutory form of government to the charter form of government.

Ohio House of Representative 72nd District Candidate Dave Dilley

Dave Dilley provided a background on his experience. He discussed grassroots training for today's jobs and job development.

Reports – Water and Sewer

Gary Burkholder provided a report. The Water and Sewer District is looking into solar energy. The District is still talking with the Village of Alexandria about providing those services. Gary Burkholder provided the Trustees with a copy of the letter that was sent from the Water and Sewer District's attorney to the City of Pataskala regarding removal of a board member.

Gil Guttentag discussed the land that was acquired previously that is going to be used for solar energy. He discussed the periods of time when it is dark, no sun. They would still need another source of energy.

Old Business

Trash Contract

Trustee Foor reported on the three year contract renewal. The Trustees discussed the options.

Gil Guttentag discussed the senior discount and would like the discount be given to everyone in the township. Trustee Johnson feels that a family has more trash then a senior citizen would have. Gil

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Guttentag asked if a single person should get a discount. Trustee Carlisle stated the township has to deal with the contract as it is written or put it out to bid.

Resolution 2012-02-18-01: Trustee Johnson moved to extend the contract (Rumpke) for three years at the present rate and the contract will expire March 31st, 2015. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor. Discussion: Trustee Foor will contact Chris Lavender with Rumpke and verify the three year extension and if the information is not correct the Trustees will hold a special meeting to put the contract out for bid. The residents have complimented Rumpke. The motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

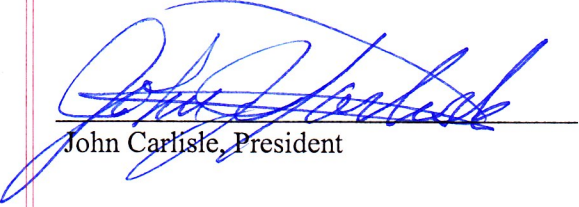
Announcement and Trustee Comments

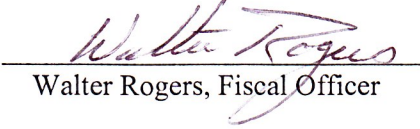
Trustee Foor congratulated Trustee Carlisle on being elected to the Board of Directors for the Ohio Township Association.

Trustee Carlisle has a question for the County Commissioner Candidates. He discussed the township losing the local government funds. In House Bill 386 there are no provisions for the casino funds below the county. Trustee Carlisle's question is would the Commissioner Candidate promote or propose an economic proposal to have the funds from the casino funds distributed to all the entities in the county based upon population miles, equitable distribution.

Trustee Johnson moved to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor. Discussion: The Cargill Invoice was explained. The motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Trustee Foor moved to adjourn at 10:31 a.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Johnson and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.



John Carlisle, President

Walter Rogers, Fiscal Officer