

**Regular Board Meeting - Olive Township Board**  
110 S. Arch St, New Carlisle, IN 46552  
**Wednesday, June 19, 2024 @ 10:00 AM EST**

Attendance: Tina Scott, Will Miller, Bob Middlebrook, Tom Keen, Tim Creason, and Keith Batzel, and Chad Hess

Others present: Diane Melady and Joe Juhasz

Community Members requesting permission to address the board on a specific agenda item are requested to complete a registration form for each item prior to the conclusion of Item III. Individuals will be permitted to speak at that time or during the specific agenda item excluding Consent Items. Any questions on the Consent Items shall be addressed to the Trustee by contacting his office. Persons will be restricted to one appearance per item and limited to three (3) minutes.

Call to order 10:01

I. Adopt Agenda motion made by Bob; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim; motion passed by body 3/0

II. Consent Items motion made by Tim; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob; motion passed by body 3/0

A. Reconciliation of accounts- Tina stated that the 8604 fund would be negative, however we received our taxes. Tom asked if we should decrease the amount for Township Assistance. Tina explained that we have had an uptake in cases this year.

B. Approving meeting minutes 5/22/2024

III. Joe Thomas- Joe is meeting with Brandy from Amazon later today. Chad said he doesn't know where we are at with the Fire Marshall application. Josh sent that over to Bill. Chad wants to know if there is anything from the county about the fire apparatus. Joe will talk to Carl or Bill in regard to the trucks. Will stated that the county is waiting for our changes, if any, before they send out the final study. The town, super intendent and Will met to give the needs and want to Amazon. We are wanting a walking, biking bridge/underpass across the tracks, Community center, and educational opportunities for the school. Brandy is having discussions with Marcy about the town's wants. Joe said they were waiting for the tax abatements, which they have received. So, he feels like there will be some more action. Joe is asking the Sherrif's office for more money for patrolling.

IV. Fire Territory Meeting Updates- New hire was approved, Joe Juhasz. Chad asking for a vote to approve the hire of Jason Heckathorn. Joe started at the beginning of June. Jason will start July 1. **Motion made by Bob; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keith; motion passed by body 3/0.** Will stated the biggest thing is the union negotiations. Chad stated that we got one quote for a re-chassis on the heavy ambulance. He reached out to a dealer in Michigan for another quote. He stated it is the courts responsibility to fix it.

V. Cemetery Discussion Updates- Keith stated the cemetery has urgent needs, purchasing software, restorations and flagpole, and Wreaths across America etc. Bob stated Dave from Chisel Chest wanted to know who the bid was awarded to. Tim also said Dave came up to him and said he would submit a new bid. Tina spoke to Brittany at Stonehuggers and said the bid is good until 2025 and we

don't have to complete all the work at once. Will is going to contact both Stonehuggers and Chisel Chest and ask them both questions about how they pour the stones etc. The software is being tabled to the next meeting. The flagpole was approved for \$1,200 plus an additional \$400 for illumination. Bob made motion Tim 2<sup>nd</sup> motion passed by body 3/0. Tom and Keith are going to determine a location for the flagpole. Wreaths across America- The board approved to contribute up to \$600 towards it. **Motion made by Bob; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim; motion passed by body 3/0**

VII. Updates on Last Meeting Topics- Uline- for one way sign, Bernie is going to make a sign for ring for service and a new office hours sign.

VIII. Booth for Hometown days- Cost for a booth is \$60. Will has a canopy. Bob made motion to get a booth 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim. Motion passed by body 3/0

IX. Assistance Report- No questions on the report.

X. Community Center/Discussion with Joe- Tim has located an architectural firm, Whiteman. They will perform a feasibility study for us. However, not knowing what we are building it will be hard to conduct one. Tim stated that he talked to Marcy and asked if a committee was formed and if they wanted to start moving forward. Will wants to put a Community Center just north of downtown New Carlisle. Will spoke to the landowner about purchasing the land there. He is wanting a letter of intent. Pete thinks 10 acres would cover us. Joe stated that is so vague and we have so much to learn before building a Community Center. Will is asking for someone to either fully fund it or grants. **Bob made a motion to approve a proposal for a feasibility study 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim. Motion passed by body 3/0**

r. Reach Alert- Tabled until next meeting.

XII. New Business/Old Business

XIII. Next meeting date: July 17, 2024 @ 10 am at the Trustee's office, 110 S. Arch St. New Carlisle, IN 46552

XIV. Adjournment: 12:10- Bob 2<sup>nd</sup> Tim

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Bob Middlebrook, Board Member

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Tim Creason, Board Member

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Will Miller, Trustee

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Keith Batzel, Board Member