

**Regular Board Meeting - Olive Township Board**  
110 S. Arch St, New Carlisle, IN 46552  
**Wednesday, August 28, 2024 @ 10:00 AM EST**

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

Others present: Justin Packingham, Diane Melady, Sam Colaleo, Carrie Colvin and Vaughan Miller

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 10:05

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

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

III. Consent Items- Approving meeting minutes 7/17/2024- **motion made by Bob; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim; motion passed by body 3/0**

IV. Division Chief of Training- Justin Packingham applied for the position and was selected as the Division Chief. Justin was sworn in as Chief by Josh. **Motion made by Bob; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim; to promote Justin as Division Chief of Training; motion passed by body 3/0.** Josh explained that he will be coming to this board to promote a new captain.

V. New Hire- Harold Johnson- **motion made by Bob; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim to hire Harold; motion passed by body 3/0.** Harold's start date is listed as 9-9-2024.

VI. Joe Thomas-

1. Will asked if Joe heard of what would happen to the county roads during the winter. They are already deteriorating with the trucks driving on them due to construction. Joe asked which road he was concerned about. Will stated the two roads are Filmore Rd and Wintergreen. Joe said he will investigate that.
2. Joe also stated that he asked for police protection which will cost \$20,000 to cover the overtime and extra patrol. Keith asked if the trucks that are going through town with their scrap will stop after the construction is completed on State Road 2. Joe said he believes that should stop. Tim said that the semi-trucks going through town are causing a hazard and don't obey the speed limit. Joe said that we should talk to the local police department about our concerns.
3. Joe asked if Josh heard of anything about the locations for the fire stations. Josh said at the meeting that he got an additional study piece to where they will go, they have two tentative ideas but have to study that piece a little more. We may go a little further east. Will said that

we will also be restricted to willing sellers. We will have to get two appraisals and can only pay the average of the two when purchasing land.

VII. Fire Territory Meeting Updates- Collective Bargaining agreement was passed unanimously by the union. Raises will come next year in 2025. The firefighters can move to the 77-fund next year if they choose to do so. **Motion made by approve the Collective Bargaining agreement as recommended by the Fire Territory Board made by Bob; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim; motion passed by body 3/0**

VIII. Decommissioning of Tanker 91- Josh stated that the tanker has some repair issues, electrical problems, tank problems, and pump, so they decided to sell it. Josh stated that "we should get \$20,000 for it." The town declared surplus, and the Fire Territory also declared it surplus. We will sell it at an auction site using an electronic website. Will read the resolution to decommission the tanker 91. **Motion made by Bob to adopt the resolution; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim; motion passed by body 3/0**

IX. Memorial Community Ambulance Volunteers- Bob introduced Sam Colaleo. They want to set up a memorial at the park to honor the volunteers that served. Bob said we already have the stone ready. Bob is asking for help from the township to help pay for the plaques. He stated it will cost around \$3,000. They have received a donation of \$2,000 that could pay to set the stone. Josh said he could help give some money to help pay for it.

X. Cemetery Discussion Updates- Tina will order the CIMS software. **Motion made by Bob; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim to purchase the software; motion passed by body 3/0**

XI. Assistance Report- Tina presented the report and there were no questions.


XII. Community Center Update- Will stated they met with Scott from Whiteman and presented him with a list of needs and wants. The county agreed to pay for a study. The study will determine land size and budget. We are hoping to have the study back by October. After receiving the study, we can start to reach out to partners and see who would be interested. Tim stated that Ben Bachmann brought up an idea to redo the land behind Olive Elementary school and parts of Bourissa Hills. Will said we should look into finding a grant writer.

XIII. Reach Alert- tabled

XIV. New Business/Old Business- Josh purchased an AI version to help with meeting minutes. It reports a summary version of the minutes. The new ambulance is here, it is not ready for service yet.

XV. Next meeting date: September 25, 2024 @ 10 am at the Trustee's office, 110 S. Arch St. New Carlisle, IN 46552

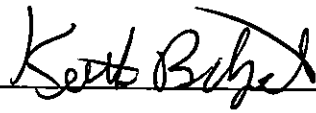
XVI. Adjournment: 11:35 **motion made by Bob; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim; motion passed by body 3/0**



Bob Middlebrook, Board Member

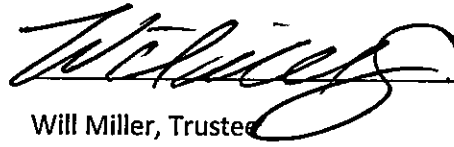


Tim Creason, Board Member



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Keith Batzel, Board Member



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Will Miller, Trustee