

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2010**

The Medina Township Board of Trustees met in regular session at the Medina Township Hall on July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010, to conduct the business of the Township. President Todd called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm with the following Trustees in attendance: Michael D. Todd, Sarah (Sally) Gardner and Ray Jarrett. Also in attendance were the Fiscal Officer, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Road Foreman, Sports Field Manager, Zoning Inspector and the general public.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Todd asked for a roll call of all members present. Trustees present were Mr. Todd, Mrs. Gardner and Mr. Jarrett.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Todd led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**National Night Out**

Mr. Todd said August 3<sup>rd</sup>, is “National Night Out Against Crime”. It happens once a year and Chief Arbogast is making preparations to get Medina Township residents involved.

**Moment of Silence**

Mr. Todd asked for a moment of silence for our military personnel at home and overseas. He also asked that Trustee Rita Holt be remembered as this is the 1 year anniversary of her death.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Todd motioned to open the floor for public comment. Mrs. Gardner seconded the motion.

Tara Quinn, Reporter, Sun News, introduced herself and said to please send any pictures or news articles to her at the Sun Newspapers ([tquinn@sunnews.com](mailto:tquinn@sunnews.com)).

Erica Graffein, Medina County Auditor’s Office, said tax bills are due July 9. She reminded all present that value change notices will be going out shortly so call 330-725-9767 for questions or help. Also, A.I. Root is holding its first tour of the factory starting at 10:00 am Saturday, July 10.

Bill Lamb, former Mayor of Medina City, said he is a candidate for County Commissioner and, if elected, will attend township meetings on a regular basis. He said he has attended several township and village meetings and has found the public officials to be the hardest working and most dedicated people and he is very impressed.

Mr. Todd motioned to close the floor for public comment. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Presentation of Award to Chorey Howell, Wal-Mart Manager**

Chief Arbogast and the Trustees presented Chorey Howell, Manager of Wal-Mart, with a Certificate of Appreciation for his dedication and contributions for the residents of Medina Township. Whenever resources are needed, Mr. Howell is right there to contribute whatever is needed. Even though “National Night Out” is sponsored by Target, who is not in the Township, Mr. Howell and Wal-Mart will be a part of this event. Chief Arbogast said that if it wasn’t for Chorey Howell, the Police Department would not be able to do half of the community programs that they do and, Mr. Howell informed him that the second half grant money will be coming shortly. Mr. Howell thanked everyone and said it is very easy to be supportive in a community like the Township which in turn supports them very well and there are 400 associates that are grateful to everyone who comes in and supports the store.

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## **OTHER BUSINESS CON'T**

### **Medina Creative Housing Groundbreaking**

Mr. Todd said Medina Creative Housing had a groundbreaking ceremony and all three Medina Township Trustees attended. He said he appreciated Mrs. Gardner and Mr. Jarrett attending at such short notice and thanked them for their dedication.

### **Flag Day**

Mr. Todd said there was a wonderful turnout and Flag Day was a complete success. He hopes that they can build on this success for next year. He thanked all people involved who worked hard to make this day a success especially Chief Arbogast and Laurie Shoemaker. Mr. Jarrett thanked all the helpers that were in the audience. Mr. Gardner said that when she delivered the bonds to the winners, the sister of the second prize winner stated that she is going to enter next year and beat her brother. Both winners were thankful. Mr Todd thanked Mrs. Gardner for her support and help in all this.

### **Executive Session**

Mr. Todd motioned to enter into Executive Session to discuss employee discipline for Medina Township with Medina Township Board of Trustees, Medina Township Legal Counsel, Carol Shockley and David Folk, who work for the Medina County Prosecutor's Office, Jason Watts, Max Rieker and Cliff Nicholson representing the Police Union and Chief Arbogast. Mrs. Gardner seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mrs. Gardner and Mr. Jarrett. The Medina Township Board of Trustees entered into Executive Session at 7:16 pm. with Medina Township Legal Counsel and previously stated personnel to discuss employee discipline. The Medina Township Board of Trustees reconvened at 9:15 pm. The Board of Trustees were present with Township Legal Counsel, David Folk and Carol Shockley, who work for the Medina County Prosecutor's Office, Chief David Arbogast, Officer Jason Watts, Officer Cliff Nicholson, both Medina Township Police Officers, Max Rieker who is representative of the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association and we were all in Executive Session and no decisions were made during that meeting, we are now back in regular session.

Mr. Todd motioned to continue Officer Jason Watts on paid administrative leave until July 15 at 9:00 pm. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mr. Jarrett and Mrs. Gardner.

### **Approval of Accounts Payables**

Mr. Todd motioned to approve warrants #21006 to #21045 totaling \$40,115.57. Mrs. Gardner seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mrs. Gardner and Mr. Jarrett.

### **Approval of Payroll**

Mr. Todd motioned to approve payroll check #14150 to #14206 in the amount of \$52,273.86 with \$3,752.60 going to Deferred Compensation, garnishment fees, OPERS, post health tax and union dues. Mrs. Gardner seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mrs. Gardner and Mr. Jarrett.

### **Approval of the 2011 Tax Budget**

Mr. Todd motioned to approve the 2011 Tax Budget as proposed in this 26 page document dated June 30, 2010, and incorporate the document by reference. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mr. Jarrett and Mrs. Gardner

### **Approval of Blankets, Super Blankets and Then and Now Purchase Orders**

Mr. Todd motioned to approve the Blanket, Super Blanket and Then and Now Purchase Orders referencing the document dated Meeting July 8, 2010, and the total amount for the Blankets is \$2,500.00, the Super Blankets \$3,100.00 and the Then and Now, (2 separate) 1 is \$1,029.99 and 1 is \$1,918.40. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mr. Jarrett and Mrs. Gardner.

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## **OTHER BUSINESS CON'T**

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Todd motioned to approve the June 18, 2010, special meeting minutes. Mrs. Gardner seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Todd aye, Mrs. Gardner aye and Mr. Jarrett abstain.

Mr. Todd motioned to approve the June 10, 2010, regular meeting minutes. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mr. Jarrett and Mrs. Gardner.

Mr. Todd motioned to approve the June 24, 2010, regular meeting minutes. Mrs. Gardner seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Mrs. Gardner aye, Mr. Jarrett aye and Mr. Todd abstain.

### **Approval of Department Purchase Orders**

Mr. Todd motioned to approve the purchase order requisition for \$2,800.00 for compost for topdressing to aerate the soil on the sports fields. Mr. Todd said it was in the original budget. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mr. Jarrett and Mrs. Gardner.

Mrs. Gardner motioned to approve an appropriation for \$800.00 for a Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. Conference Meeting at Appleton, Wisconsin on July 25, 26, 27, 2010, for the truck committee to visit for fact finding for Asst. Chief Kasson, Support Chief Browne, Firefighter, Cugini, Miller and Mummert. That includes mileage and everything. Mr. Todd seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mrs. Gardner, Mr. Todd and Mr. Jarrett.

Mrs. Gardner motioned to approve the appropriation for \$200.00 to the OTA Summer One-day Session for two of them, one in N. Canton and one in Tiffin, Ohio. The first one is on the 6<sup>th</sup> of August and the second one is on the 13<sup>th</sup>. It is for the education of a Trustee, for herself. The two together would be \$200.00 for mileage and the fees. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mrs. Gardner, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. Todd.

## **REPORTS**

Mr. Todd tabled the reports.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Nettleton Road Culvert Project**

Mr. Todd said on June 23, 2010, he had a meeting with Brian Richter of the Prosecutor's Office, Dan Becker of the County Engineer's Office and Barbara Tilton regarding the easement. At that meeting they had very clear expectations as to where they were going and who was going to do what and in what time frame. The time frame was to be two weeks. Everything should have been done a week ago and it's not and it seems like a huge filibuster. Mr. Todd said the Board needs to set a deadline because they cannot continue this course of action. Mr. Jarrett suggested July 30, 2010. Mr. Miller said Mrs. Tilton was to get back to Dan Becker to make arrangements for staking where she wanted the stones and she has not returned his call. The Board will send a letter giving her a timeline of July 30, 2010, stating the Board of Trustees will have to seek alternative methods if this issue is not resolved.

### **Township Newsletter**

Mrs. Gardner tabled the Township Newsletter.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**Special Olympics use of the Ballfields**

Mr. Todd motioned to waive the fee for the Special Olympics to use the baseball fields at Blakslee Field for 34 games from July 19 through September 15, 2010. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mr. Jarrett and Mrs. Gardner.

**OLD BUSINESS CON'T**

**Medina Township Police Policies and Procedures Manual**

The Medina Township Police Policies and Procedures Manual has been reviewed by the Trustees and the Prosecutor's Office and is ready for approval.

Mr. Todd motioned to approve the Medina Township Police Department Policies and Procedures Manual that was revised January 2010, and incorporate the document that is in his hand, by reference. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mr. Jarrett and Mrs. Gardner.

Mr. Jarrett thanked Chief Arbogast for all his time in creating this document. Chief Arbogast said it was a seven year work in the making.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Todd motioned to open the floor for public comment. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion.

Matt Galla (3503 Hamilton Road) asked if the Road Department has a program to start paving the roads. Mr Todd said there has been a change in the Road Department and Denny Miller is now the Foreman. Mr. Miller said he went out with the County Engineer and made a list of the roads that need to be repaired. Mr. Miller said Hood Road was paved last year and most of the problems are where water lines were cut through. Mr. Todd and Mr. Jarrett both said our roads are a lot better than most Townships. Mr. Todd said this is his first year as Road Superintendent and he and Denny will work on a schedule to repave the roads.

ChrisTraynor (4004 Remsen Road) asked when the grant money runs out for the Nettleton Road project. Mr. Todd said there is no deadline for the money to run out however, the Trustees must show that they are making progress and that they are taking action to get the project done. The bigger problem is that the culvert needs to be fixed. It is a beautiful piece of architecture but the road needs to be fixed.

Robin Gray (4074 Remsen Road) asked what the land acquisition was. Mr. Todd said land acquisition has to be done in Executive Session, which is confidential under the ORC, until Trustees are ready to purchase or have made a decision to purchase because people are under the impression that Townships have a lot of money and it's the only way township's can be competitive. Mr. Todd said if it is known then outsiders can drive up the price so the seller can get a better price on the land. Once the decision to purchase is made then it has to be done in a public meeting and then they can make a vote.

Mr. Todd motioned to close the floor for public comment. Mrs. Gardner seconded the motion.

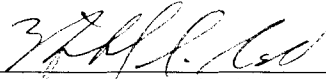
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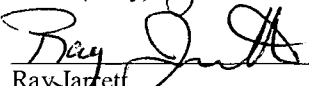
Mr. Todd motioned to enter into Executive Session with the Board of Trustees and Fiscal Officer, Therese George, to discuss land acquisition and potential land acquisition for Medina Township. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mr. Jarrett and Mrs. Gardner. The Medina Township Board of Trustees entered into Executive Session at 9:37 pm to discuss land acquisition or potential land acquisition for Medina Township with the Medina Township Board of Trustees and the Medina Township Fiscal Officer, Therese George. The Medina Township Board of Trustees reconvened from Executive Session at 9:45 pm. The Board of Trustees were present with Fiscal Officer, Therese George, to discuss land acquisition and potential land acquisition for Medina Township. No decisions were made during that meeting.

Mr. Todd motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:46 pm. Mr. Jarrett seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mr. Todd, Mr. Jarrett and Mrs. Gardner. Mr. Todd thanked all for attending the meeting.

  
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Therese George, Fiscal Officer

  
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Michael D. Todd, Chairman

  
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Sarah (Sally) Gardner

  
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Ray Jarrett