

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING
APRIL 20TH, 2006**

The Medina Township Board of Trustees met in special session at the Medina Township Hall on April 20th, 2006, to conduct the business of the Township. President Todd called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm with the following Trustees in attendance: Dianna Huffman, Michael D. Todd and Mead Wilkins. Also in attendance were the Fire Chief, Police Chief and the general public. Special guests included the Mayor of Medina City, Jane Leaver and Mary Beth Guenther of the Medina County Auditor's Office.

Mr. Todd said the purpose of the workshop meeting was to discuss the Township Life Support Team finances.

Mr. Todd led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Life Support Team Discussion

Mr. Todd explained that the General Fund has new tax revenue of \$571,000.00 in new income with a carryover of \$616,000.00. The Trustees noted that the current appropriation is \$898,000.00 in the General Fund. This is not including the anticipated expenses for Blakslee Field. Currently, two large expenditures that come out of the General Fund are the Life Support Team (approximate cost is \$275,000 per year) and the Police Department (approximate cost is \$250,000 per year). At the current rate of expenditures, it's likely the Township will deplete the general fund in the near future.

Mr. Wilkins spoke with Mary Beth Guenther of the Medina County Auditor's Office and she proposed an alternative proposal so taxes would not have to be raised. The Township gets 2.6 inside millage and only .6 goes to the General Fund, the rest goes to the Road & Bridge Fund. Money that goes to the Road & Bridge Fund cannot be used for the General Fund, but the General Fund money can be used for the Road & Bridge Fund. By altering the formula for distribution of the inside millage, we would have the opportunity to avoid raising taxes and still meet the communities needs for the LST. Mary Beth Guenther said our Road Department has over \$1,000,000.00 in carryover and it is better to put the majority of the revenue in the General Fund because it is an all purpose fund and can be used for anything. Inside millage grows with growth. The County Auditor needs the budget by July 20, 2006. The Auditor's Office then sends their estimates back in September. The Trustees need to pass a resolution accepting the amounts and rates and send to the Auditor by November 1, 2006. That more or less sets the rates for the next year unless there is an issue on the ballot. The rates can still be switched around if need be in September or October, but a letter must be sent with a resolution stating the Trustees want to switch the millages and the amounts.

Advances on Taxes

Chief Crumley asked Ms. Guenther if the Township has taken any tax advances. Ms. Guenther said no but the Township should. Chief Arbogast said a request is made for a tax advance and as soon as the money is available it is given to the Township and the Township draws the interest not them. Ms. Guenther said she sends a letter out in January for the first half. The first draw is the last of January and there are two in February and one in March and if you don't draw it you don't get your final settlement until April. The next forms will be sent out in June.


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Life Support Team Accounting

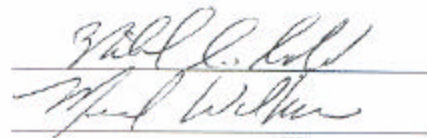
The Trustees and Mayor Leaver discussed the problem with the accounting for the Life Support Team. Mr. Todd and Mr. Stagar are going to meet with Tim Buit of the Medina General Hospital Financial Department. Mayor Leaver said requests were made for an audit of the financial records to insure that Medina Township, Montville Township and Medina City were being billed correctly and that the hospital expenses were being paid for by the hospital and not the three above mentioned entities. The topic has still not been adequately addressed. Mayor Leaver gave Trustees a copy of a letter she sent to Mr. Gene Sulzner of the Medina Life Support Team and to this date she had not received a reply. Chief Crumley suggested having Medina Township run one squad from our station from 6 pm to 6 am Monday thru Friday and also weekends and use LST during the day. The Trustees and Mayor Leaver would like to meet with Montville Township and the Life Support Team and discuss this issue. Mr. Todd thanked Mary Beth Guenther and Mayor Leaver for attending the meeting.

Mr. Todd motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wilkins seconded the meeting. Voting aye thereon: Mrs. Huffman, Mr. Todd and Mr. Wilkins.


There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm.



Medina Township Fiscal Officer



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