

# WAYNE TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY REGULAR TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES JULY 16, 2018

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## Wayne Township Trustees

MICHAEL TRUSTER  
ED TRUSTER  
BILL JONES

## Administrator/Zoning

DANIEL HOIT

## Fiscal Officer

LAURA DALEY

## CALL TO ORDER

The July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 regular Trustees meeting was called to order at 7:01pm.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken; Michael Truster and Bill Jones were present. A motion to excuse trustee Edward Truster from the meeting was made by Bill Jones, followed by a second by Mike Truster. Roll call; 2 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

## AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

Trustee Michael Truster read an opening statement which is attached to the minutes regarding Wayne Township Trustee meeting rules.

Ed Nance-3577 Sumerville-Jacksonburg road stated that he understood the Trustees were unable to discuss this situation revolving the Winery, yet he went on to state there was a pond being built before the stop work order had been issued by the County. His concerns were if the owners deserted there plans of the Winery in this location, who would maintain the pond? What if there were draining issues due to this pond, what would the residents do in this situation?

Mike Truster stated that the pond spillway for the pond is actually above the culvert, this should actually help the drainage issues.

Mr. Nance thanked the Trustees and said that he just wanted it to be on record that the question was asked?

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Regular Trustees Meeting; June 18, 2018

A motion was made by Bill Jones to approve the minutes of the June 18<sup>th</sup> Regular Trustees meeting, followed by a second by Michael Truster. Roll call was taken; 2 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

## PRESENTATIONS

None.

## REPORTS

1. Fiscal Report
  2. Fire Department - comments - Bill Jones wanted to thank the fire department and squad for an exceptional job for his family in their time of need.
  3. Road Maintenance - comments - trustees wanted County to know they were still unhappy with the Chip seal work. They will continue to conversations with the County in regards to this work.
  4. Administration  
-All reports are attached.
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## UNFINISHED BUISNESS

### 1. Heavenly Acres Update

Trustee Bill Jones has been working diligently to resume the work needed to continue with the Heavenly Acres project, it was believed to be in the County's hands to begin work per the last administration and Trustees board. This has been found to not be true. We did receive the grant money but have only provided the County with drawings to obtain the grant. These drawings are not construction drawings and the Trustees will need to get with the engineer and have final construction drawings done. Mr. Jones has been in contact with RVP whom provided the original drawings and they have agreed to move forward with the project. Our next move should be to meet with RGB and the County and get this project back on track.

## NEW BUSINESS

1. A resolution to have Stacey Castle add an email account to copy and receive and store all emails within the Township, to protect the Township from emails which are a form of Public record, from being deleted and unable to be provided for public review.

A motion to accept this resolution was made by Bill Jones, seconded by Michael Truster. Roll call taken; 2 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

2. A Resolution to declare the necessity of Fire Department Tax Levy at 3.0 mills to be placed on the November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 ballot.

A motion to accept this Resolution was made by Bill Jones, followed by a second by Michael Truster. Roll call was taken; 2 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

## AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

Resident Ed Nance approached the podium with a quick question regarding whom he could contact in regards of a fire hydrant. He was told to contact Southwest Regional Water District.

## AUDIENCE OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Bill Jones had no more reports.

Trustee Michael Truster reported that he had officially moved. He wanted to inform anyone interested in his new address: 3555 Mill Rd. Middletown, Ohio 45042

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

### NEXT MEETING

1. Regular Trustees Meeting; August 20, 2018

## ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Bill Jones, and followed by a second by Michael Truster. Roll call was taken; 2 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The meeting was adjourned at 8:52pm.

## Wayne Township Trustee Meeting Rules

- 1) Public Participation
  - A) General public comments will be heard at the beginning and end of each meeting.
    1. Residents will come to the podium, state their name and address.
    2. If a resident has a matter that will take more than 7 minutes to speak upon, he/she is asked to notify the Chairman of the Board in advance of the meeting.
  - B) Public comments on specific topics
    1. As the Board conducts its business, we appreciate the thoughts, concerns, knowledge and ideas of our residents. As such, do wish to hear what you have to say. When pertinent during discussion, the Chairman will open the floor to those present to state their ideas REGARDING THE MATTER AT HAND. At this time, ONLY the matter at hand will be discussed.
    2. The Chairman will recognize one resident to speak at a time, effectively giving him/her the floor to speak. For the sake of time, these comments will be made from the resident's seat. However only the person recognized will be speaking, and they will only be speaking directly to the matter at hand.
    3. Talking out of turn and interrupting of others will not be tolerated.
  - C) Those whom wish to speak during the meeting will do so in a polite and respectful manner. Personal attacks on anyone will not be tolerated. Insults, disrespectful language is not acceptable and not acceptable.
- 2) From time to time, there will be topics arise that for various reasons we will limit or disallow discussion of all together any. The Board is sensitive to the fact this is often upsetting, however when advised by legal-council to handle certain matters in this manner, we will be doing so.
- 3) This Board of Trustees is committed to hearing our resident's complaints, concerns and issues. We have made every effort to make sure that you have a chance to voice your thoughts, and to a level not seen at these meetings for a long time. We have made policy to broadcast the meetings on facebook live so that residents may watch the meeting from home, work or wherever they may be if they cannot attend the meeting. This is a new idea, and we are one of few townships in the state of Ohio doing this.

### Seven Mile Winery

For tonight's meeting and moving forward until appeals and court hearings are resolved, the Wayne Township Board of Trustees will have no discussion nor hear any comments regarding the Seven Mile Winery, the property at 3526 Somerville Jacksonburg Rd, or its owners Steve Mortenson and Stephanie Murray.

Just as many of you have opinions, questions and thoughts on this matter; so do I. Once this matter is resolved in court, I assure you we will have a thorough discussion of it. However, as I stated the matter is in litigation and this has effectively tied our hands on the matter for now. I expect your understanding of this, and your cooperation as such.

I understand the frustration this may cause. I understand the frustration the whole situation has brought to the homeowners around the property. I realize your concerns, I truly do. It has been stated at these meetings that it is obvious what I think on the matter because I am an easy read. I will agree that it is easy to tell when I am frustrated and not happy; without a doubt that shows quickly. However, I assure you all that you do not know my thoughts on this matter, nor will you until this litigation is resolved. With that said when I have to repeat myself time and time again that we have sought legal-council on this matter, that the Prosecutors Office has been involved from the beginning, and that the O.R.C. clearly ties our hands in the matter I do get

frustrated that you refuse to take my comments at face value. It is frustrating to not be able to discuss this matter fully right now, and many more examples. That said if you wish to take my appearance of frustration as support (or non-support) that is an inference made by you on an incorrect basis.

Your understanding and cooperation on this is appreciated.

**July 16th, 2018**  
**Wayne Township, Butler County**  
**Fiscal Officer Report**

- Paid all invoices, taxes, payroll, and OPERS to date. Recorded all receipts to date.
- Filed 2019 tax budget with the Butler County Auditor's office.
- Filled public records requests.
- Completed the minutes from the June 2018 Regular Trustees meeting.
- Worked closely with the Butler County Prosecutor's office regarding the updates required due to H.B 49 for the fire levy resolution language: Resolutions have been written, revised and approved by B.C. Prosecutor Mary Anne Nardiello. If approved by the Board of Trustees this evening, I will send the necessity resolution to the Butler County Auditor's office to receive the certified amounts that the levy will generate. At that point, a special meeting will be requested to approve the ballot language; finally, both resolutions will be submitted to the Butler County Board of Elections and the Butler County Auditor's Office. The deadline is August 8, 2018. After amounts are certified, I recommend the fire department begin their campaign for the levy.
- Researched a missing payment receivable from Medicount. They have a Payment to us that had not posted in their account from October of 2017. After looking into the receipt it was determined that we had not received the payment and the information was sent to Medicount.
- Prepared Bank Reconciliation for June.
- Prepared Month-end reports for Trustees.



# Wayne Township Fire Department & Life Squad

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## Trustee Report July 16, 2018

### -June Runs

Fire: 6

MVA 4

Structure fire 1

Mutual Aid Into Madison 1 (MVA)

Squad: 14

8 Transports (Billable)

-Equipment Measuring for Grant

-SERT Training Recap

-Kettering Health Network ER opening August 8<sup>th</sup>

-EMT Joe Perkins successfully completed Paramedic Certificate

-Other

WAYNE TOWNSHIP  
ROAD DEPARTMENT

4570 OXFORD-MIDDLETOWN RD.

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**Trustees Report July 16, 2018**

- Continued with Cemetery and Property Mowing
- Poured three foundations at Simonson Cemetery
- Assisted with Eagle Scout Project on 744 Cemetery
- Replaced front brakes and rotors on Dodge Pickup
- Replaced the starter on Dump truck 2
- Tree work along Mill Road
- Two storm call outs for debris, assisting with fire Department and Road Closures
- Currently working on Backhoe issues
- Lighting update:
  - Supplies were delivered Friday
- Garage Door Update:
  - Scheduled to be replaced this week
- Will be starting next round of Road Mowing; Full depth
- County contractor spot checked Stubbs and Shurz Road from last year's Chip Seal contract



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## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTES

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July 2018

**-Zoning:**

**6 Certificates:**

**New Barn – 4310 Windy Meadows**

**Porch Addition – 1950 Tolbert**

**New Home – 3488 Somerville Jacksonburg**

**Addition – 3257 Oxford Middletown**

**New Pool – 5151 Thomas**

**Addition – 3718 Eaton**

**Filled 1 Records Requests**

**-Meeting Preparation**

**-Cincinnati Bell**

**-AT&T**

**-Other**

**Upcoming:**

**-Congressman Davidsons Mobile Office Hours August 1<sup>st</sup>. 3-4pm**