

Minutes of Regular Meeting

September 7, 2023 @7PM

Baughman Township Trustees met in regular session September 7, 2023 at the Baughman Township office, 3470 N Mt Eaton Road, Burton City, Ohio at 7:00 PM. All trustees were present. Fiscal Officer Stoll was unable to attend. Chairman Geiser called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Graber made motion to approve September 7 ,2023 agenda, (adding Access Management and public records request response). Second Kaufman. Graber-yes, Kaufman-yes, Geiser-yes. Graber made motion to approve the August 10, 2023, regular meeting minutes. Second Kaufman. Graber-yes, Geiser-yes, Kaufman-yes. Kaufman made motion to pay bills. Second Geiser. Kaufman-yes, Graber-yes, Geiser-yes.

Comments: Trustee Graber would like to see the bills before the meeting starts. Says he never pays a bill without first looking at it. It was suggested that we stay in-session and review the bills and sign checks before adjourning.

Ms. Suzi Byall asked what has been decided about having the road supervisor attend township meetings. Asked for response from each trustee. Trustee Kaufman thinks there are situations that he should attend. Trustee Graber would appreciate if he was at the meetings. There are many things that could be clarified. Noted that Mr. Moomaw has kids ball games to go to and said we could change the township meeting schedule next year to accommodate his attendance. Trustee Geiser would like to have him attend as needed. Not on a regular basis every month.

Mr. Chad Schmeltzer has concerns about cars, ag equipment and large trucks speeding and the increased traffic through Gettysburg. He has gotten suggestions from neighbors to post No cut through, No trucks and No outlet signs at the cul-de-sacs. Or put speed bumps that are snowplow friendly on York Rd. Of having a radar speed limit sign added. Graber said the best deterrent is to have the sheriff patrol the area. Graber will contact the Wayne County Engineers office about signage options and speed bumps.

Mr. Mark Geiser asked why the public records he requested for legal services don't match the amounts the township has paid for legal services. He does not care that they are redacted, but his records requests do not match amounts paid each month by the township.

Ms. Byall made the comment, should we continue to spend money on the lawsuit. Mr. Wayne Steiner said he agrees. Trustee Kaufman said he feels it's trustees and Baughman residents money that's due to them. Graber made the comment that we are going after money that's from another public entity. He did the math and found we are attempting to recover \$152,000 and that it's a "fishing expedition"

Trustee Graber gave his interpretation of ORC pertaining to the dissolving of the fire district. He said we are suing the entities that are going to serve the township in the future.

Mr. Andy Stalnaker asked who is responsible for each government entity's money that is spent.

Mr. Chad Schmeltzer commented that the fire district has been a disaster from the start. And asked, what are we going to do in the future to avoid this?

Mr. Dennis Hostetler commented that the fire district has been a disaster. The people voted down three levies, three times by 70-30%. It was bad from the start. The foundation was bad.

Fiscal Officer: Graber made motion to adopt the following: Baughman Township Wayne County, Ohio that the amounts and rates as determined by the Wayne County Budget Commission be accepted, that each necessary tax be levied and the same be certified to the County Auditor. Second Geiser. Kaufman-yes, Graber-yes, Geiser-yes.

Road supervisor report: Serviced one ton truck. Changed spinner motor on truck #2 salt spreader. Trimmed trees on Fox Lake and Tannerville roads. Hat hornets nests from old jail building. Had ECO Seal look at salt storage shed. They gave a quote and said it should have gutters installed to get rid of water from the roof. Dug up spot on Keck Rd and found that two tiles were plugged with mud. D & L Drain jetted the tiles and water is flowing again. New batteries installed in Case tractor. Built new shelves in old salt shed and braced the south wall posts that were cracked. Suggest fixing the siding. Graber noted that he went to Mr. Rick Monroe's house with Adam to discuss water drainage.

Old Business:

Salt Shed-Trustees looked at the ECO Seal quote. Trustee Geiser received information from another township for two more salt storage shed coatings. He will research them and who can possibly install.

Personal Days-need to be revised in the Employee Handbook since the vacation schedule has been changed. The personal days are based on maximum vacation days. Trustees will gather info from other townships and discuss next month. No action taken.

Tornado Sirens-B & C Communications has made the needed upgrades to the sirens except a cable that connects the new radios to the siren box. This will be done in coming weeks.

EWFD update-motion made by Kaufman second by Geiser to move funds, within the general fund, from 1000-330-323, \$5,000 and 1000-330-420, \$10,000 to 1000-930-930. Kaufman-yes, Graber-no, Geiser-yes. The 9th District Court of Appeals is expected to rule on the pending case before the end of the year. Kaufman commented that we need to take a look at what we are spending and where this is going.

New business:

Jeff Hartzler, part-time road worker-has reached his finished the six-month probationary period. One of the conditions of his employment was getting his CDL-B license. The class, at the driving school, has been pushed-back to November. He is signed-up to take this course in November. Graber made a motion to give Jeff Hartzler a \$1/hr raise, second Kaufman. Kaufman-yes, Graber-yes, Geiser-yes. His rate will now be \$25/hr.

Access Management-this is a service proposed to trustees at a Wayne County Township Association meeting this past spring. The Wayne County Engineers office will require permits, fees and inspection of all drive pipes installed in townships. This will be a mandatory process. Kaufman stated this is an over-reach and that the county will be doing what our township road supervisor already does. If the process is not followed or not to specification, there will be a fine, up to \$500. Townships cannot opt-out of Access Management. Graber has reservations. How long will it take Wayne County Engineers to approve drive pipe installations. We will put the Access Management requirement on our website and suspend the township drive pipe permits until further notice. Graber moved and Kaufman second, to suspend township drive pipe permits until further notice. Kaufman-yes, Graber-yes, Geiser-yes.

Truck Tires-Trustees reviewed quotes from Millersburg Tire and Trail Tire for tires and wheels for the steer axle of both plow trucks. After a discussion, it was decided to keep the existing wheels and paint them. If cracks are found in the wheels, we will buy new as needed. Firestone tires will be purchased through Millersburg tire.

Financial statements-motion by Graber, second by Kaufman to approve. Graber-yes, Kaufman-yes, Geiser-yes.

Adjourn-9:06 motion Kaufman, second Graber. Graber-yes, Kaufman-yes, Geiser-yes

Payment Listing

9/1/2023 to 9/30/2023

Payment Advice #	Post Date	Transaction Date	Type	Vendor / Payee	Amount	Status
47-2023	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	EW	IRS Department of Treasury	\$877.90	0
48-2023	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	EW	School District Income Tax - Ohio Dept of Tax	\$32.52	0
49-2023	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	EW	Treasurer of State of Ohio	\$249.22	0
50-2023	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	EW	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM	\$2,893.30	0
8766	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	PR	Michael C Geiser	\$167.27	0
8767	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	PR	Robert E Graber	\$0.00	0
8768	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	PR	Jeffery AHartzler	\$1,399.87	0
8769	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	PR	Jeffrey M Kaufman	\$417.49	0
8770	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	PR	Adam T Moomaw	\$2,368.13	0
8771	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	PR	TODD E STOLL	\$1,712.92	0
8772	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	ORRVILLE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	\$334.50	0
8773	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	Commercial & Savings Bank	\$114.90	0
8774	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs LLC	\$469.00	0
8775	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	Tags Termite Control	\$111.83	0
8776	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	Chad Mutersbaugh	\$750.00	0
8777	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	NORTH LAWRENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$37,350.00	0
8778	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	World Fuel Services Inc	\$1,776.49	0
8779	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	Batterymen	\$290.00	0
8780	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	Dalton Hardware Inc	\$106.45	0
8781	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	D&R SUPPLY INC	\$906.30	0
8782	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	General Rentall	\$137.50	0
8783	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	WAYNE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	\$5,945.73	0
8784	09/07/2023	09/03/2023	AW	AUDITOR OF STATE	\$762.00	0
8785	09/07/2023	09/06/2023	AW	Don Smith Auto Parts	\$55.98	0
8786	09/07/2023	09/06/2023	AW	GERBER LUMBER AND HARDWARE	\$530.32	0
Total Payments:					\$59,759.62	

Chairman _____

Fiscal Officer _____