

SWANTON TOWNSHIP

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF: REGULAR MEETING

HELD: SEPTEMBER 25, 2018

Chairperson Cindy Burkey called the September 25th Regular Meeting of the Swanton Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call:

Trustee Cindy Burkey	- Present
Trustee Gary Schroeder	- Present
Trustee Jeff Michael	- Present
Fiscal Officer Peggy Michael	- Present

Visitors Present: 8

Business of the Fiscal Officer

Motion by Gary Schroeder to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2018 Swanton Township Trustee Regular Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Jeff Michael. Roll Call: Gary Schroeder, yes; Jeff Michael, yes; Cindy Burkey, Abstain. Motion Carried. **Resolution 88-2018.**

Motion by Jeff Michael to approve PO 20-2018 to A.J. Boellner in the amount of \$10,119.10 for the Repair of the New Holland Tractor. Seconded by Gary Schroeder. Roll Call: Jeff Michael, yes; Gary Schroeder, yes; Cindy Burkey, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 89-2018.**

Motion by Jeff Michael to pay Warrant Numbers 5084 through 5109, Withholding Vouchers 53-2018 through 55-2018, and sign the payment report. Seconded by Gary Schroeder. Roll Call: Jeff Michael, yes; Gary Schroeder, yes; Cindy Burkey, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 90-2018.**

Fiscal Officer Peggy Michael entered the correspondence into the Record.

Zoning Report

1. Trustee Gary Schroeder gave the zoning report.
2. Zoning Commission Chairperson MaryEllen Mercer submitted the Zoning Commission zone change recommendation for the LandAir Business Center Park.

Motion by Gary Schroeder to set a Special Meeting and Public Hearing for a Zone Change request for parcels located in the proposed Land Air Business Center Park for 6:30 PM on October 12, 2018 at the Swanton Township Hall. Reference Z33-C147 and Z33-C148. Seconded by Jeff Michael. Roll Call: Gary Schroeder, yes; Jeff Michael, yes; Cindy Burkey, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 91-2018.**

Roads Report

1. Trustee Jeff Michael gave the roads report.

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Cemetery Report

1. Cemetery report was given.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

Upcoming Meetings - None

Executive Session

Trustee Actions Discussion

- Fiscal Officer Peggy Michael stated Trustee Cindy Burkey lied in a Facebook post that the minutes were not being posted. However, the Webmaster provided documentation that the minutes were posted as the Fiscal Officer stated. Several residents spoke that the recordings of the meetings should not be posted and the paper minutes should be only be available upon request. Residents Delores Garling and Kyle McPherson stated that the recordings should not be posted on the website. The Fiscal Officer will not be posting the recording of the meetings.
- Trustee Jeff Michael stated the position of Chairperson is a position of leadership and the expectation is that those duties would be fulfilled. Some of those duties include representing Swanton Township at the annual Health District District Advisory Committee meeting with the Health Department, represent Swanton Township on the Northwest Ohio Advanced Energy Improvement District Board, and post Special Meeting notices and attend the Special Meetings. However, Chairperson Burkey was not doing these. In addition, Chairperson Burkey censored Trustee Michael's statements by removing his post from the Facebook page, decided that she would be the only Administrator, and removed Fiscal Officer Peggy Michael, Trustee Gary Schroeder, and Trustee Michael as Administrators leaving only Trustee Burkey as the only Administrator and the only one with control of the content. Chairperson Burkey also created and used another Swanton Township Facebook page and posted as if she were the Trustees.
- The position of Chairperson is a position of leadership and this has not been the conduct of a Chairperson.

Motion by Jeff Michael to remove Trustee Cindy Burkey from the position of Chairperson of the Swanton Township Board of Trustees. Seconded by Gary Schroeder. Roll Call: Jeff Michael, yes; Gary Schroeder, yes; Cindy Burkey, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 92-2018.**

Vice-Chairman will now assume the Chairman's position.

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Motion by Jeff Michael to adjourn at 8:34 PM. Seconded by Gary Schroeder. Roll Call: Jeff Michael, yes; Gary Schroeder, yes; Cindy Burkey, yes. Motion Carried. **Resolution 93-2018.**

Signed: 
Peggy Michael, Fiscal Officer

Signed: 
Trustee