

Hamilton Township Trustee's Meeting

January 17, 2018

Trustee Board President Rozzi called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Mr. Rozzi, Mr. Walker, and Mr. Cordrey were present.

Prayer was given by Hamilton Township Chaplain Kerry Thrush.

The *Pledge of Allegiance* was recited by all in attendance.

Motion was made by Mr. Rozzi with a second by Mr. Walker to adopt the proposed agenda, for the January 17, 2018 meeting.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Motion made by Mr. Rozzi with a second by Mr. Cordrey to approve the meeting minutes from the meeting on January 3, 2018.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes

Motion made by Mr. Rozzi with a second by Mr. Walker to approve Payroll for pay cycle December 17, 2017 – December 30, 2017, and Monthly for January 2018, Electronic Fund Transfer Direct Deposit Vouchers 1131359788 – 1131359857 and 1131391622 - 1131391626.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Motion made by Mr. Rozzi with a second by Mr. Walker to approve the withholding payments for payment cycle December 17, 2017 – December 30, 2017, and Monthly for January 2018, checks numbered 26875893 – 26875913 and 26879375 – 2679377.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Motion made by Mr. Rozzi with a second by Mr. Walker to approve the billing invoices for payment cycle January 8, 2018 – January 12, 2018 checks numbered 78395 – 78407.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Motion made by Mr. Rozzi with a second by Mr. Walker to approve the billing invoices for payment cycle January 15, 2018 – January 19, 2018 checks numbered 78408 – 78457.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Trustee Joe Rozzi made a motion and seconded by Trustee Joe Walker to open the Police District meeting.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

There was recognition of the retirement of Police Clerk, Carolyn Hunter.

There was a 10 minute recess.

Legal Counsel, Doug Miller explained stated the Tax Equalization Department decided Hamilton Township was a Police District. Therefore, the township should set a time for the Police District meeting so that a special meeting does not have to be held.

Trustee Joe Rozzi made a motion to approve Resolution # 18-0117A, setting Hamilton Township Police District Trustee meeting dates and times, and seconded by Trustee Joe Walker.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Public Comments

Trustee Joe Rozzi opened the floor to public comments at 7:22pm.

Bill Dowden, Heritage of Miami Bluffs, stated it is time to applaud the various people that help so much. Mr. Dowden stated the #1 priority of the residents throughout the country, is Police and Fire, with Roads coming in next. Mr. Dowden stated the citizens are extremely fortunate to have a Fire Department and Police Department with the chiefs we have. Mr. Dowden wanted to publicly thank the Chiefs and all the men and women that serve.

Trustee Joe Rozzi closed the floor to the public at 7:25pm.

Human Resource Manager, Kellie Krieger, requested the Board make a motion to purchase of 2 cemetery lots in the Maineville New section, Lot 20, graves 6 and 7, by Thelma McFerron for a total of \$1,200.00. The deed number is 2018-01.

Trustee Joe Rozzi made the motion as stated above, and seconded by Trustee Joe Walker.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Human Resource Manager, Kellie Krieger, requested the Board make a motion to approve the promotion from part time to Fire Tech positions for the following personnel: Amanda Calienes, Robert Farly, and Spencer Bultman. The pay rate will be \$17.00.

Trustee Joe Rozzi made the motion as stated above, and seconded by Trustee Joe Walker.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Human Resource Manager, Kellie Krieger, requested the Board make a motion to approve posting the Administrator position on Career Builder at the cost of \$375.00, effective immediately after approval.

Trustee Joe Rozzi made the motion as stated above, and seconded by Trustee Joe Walker.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Community Development Coordinator, Michelle Tegtmeier spoke on possibly starting a resident advisory committee. This committee would help with Touch A Truck, possibly come up with a new logo for the township, organize park clean ups or fundraisers. She stated there would be a wide range of things and ideas this committee would organize.

Joe Rozzi stated the township doesn't really have an identity. He believes it would be a good idea to draw from the community in an organized manner. The committee would be made up of 5-7 members and you would have to apply.

Ms. Tegtmeier stated this would be volunteer.

Community Development Coordinator, Michelle Tegtmeier requested the Board make a motion to allow to move forward determining how the committee will be formed.

Trustee Joe Rozzi made the motion as stated above, and seconded by Trustee Joe Walker.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Police Chief, Scott Hughes presented the activity for 2017 for the Police Department. There were a total of 21,826 incidents. The Criminal Investigation Division handled 104 incidents, which is an all time high.

Trustee Darryl Cordrey asked what drives such a large jump from 2016 to 2017?

Chief Hughes stated it is the expectations we have on the officers today. He also stated that things were done in the past, they are just being documented more closely now. There were 10,274 dispatched by 911. The most frequent calls for service are alarm drops and accidents. The detective has a successful closure rate of 75%. There are still 11 active cases. The School Resource Officer has taken 30 reports and handled 87 other activities. The Administrative Police Officer has kept our officers on the road for 8 hours. The total number of training hours for officers is 2,307 hours.

Fire Chief, Brian Reese presented the 2017 activity for the Fire Department. The total engine runs was 743 and EMS was 1,634 for a total of 2,377. The transports were about 66%. There were 62 mutual aids given and 120 received. There have been several students ride while they do fire EMT school, there was SCBA bench testing, communication class, strategy and tactics course. There are 4 Firefighters in the EMT to Paramedic program. They include Chris Glancy, Jason Brown, Spencer Bultman, and Daniel Farley. Each one must sign a 3 year commitment and are required to work their shift while in school.

Trustee Joe Rozzi read a "Thank you" from a citizen for Kenny Hickey help pull them out of the ditch.

Public Works Director, Kenny Hickey presented the activities for the Road and Parks for the end of 2017. They trimmed trees, patched pot holes, machete mow, fixed the outside light fixture at the Community Center, ditched on Hatt-Swank, there were 2 burials, and they plowed and salted.

Trustee Darryl Cordrey stated he appreciated their hard work and dedication.

Kenny Hickey stated they were able to replace a 24" pipe at Marr Park and replace boards and hinges at the dog park.

Public Works Director, Kenny Hickey gave an overlay of what was happening with the Mounts Park project. The tasks are to divert the water from the previous point where it runs through the landfill, to a new section on the lake so there won't be garbage going out. Also, clean up the landfill and fill it with clay and rocks. We are working to have a 3 Dimensional overlay of what we need to do and how to get it done. Then LJB would give us a price to repair it. We will need to obtain a nationwide permit from the Army Corp. of Engineers to move the waterway. Then we can work with Ohio EPA to obtain a Rule 13. We have filled and sealed 2 abandoned wells and removed all of the debris.

Trustee Darryl Cordrey asked what the likelihood would be to open this to the public?

Kenny Hickey stated there has not been any water testing and one lady from the EPA recommended not to open since it doesn't look presentable.

Trustee Darryl Cordrey opened the floor to the public for the Mounts Park project only.

Fritz Nelsen, 6973 Hunters Close, suggest making it a catch and release only.

Doug Miller stated you can always get sued but it would help if you tell people not to eat the fish.

Fritz Nelsen suggested putting garbage cans out and you would be surprised on how much would be picked up and we should just open the park.

Trustee Joe Rozzi stated there is more property to be used than just the lakes and people would just like to get down there.

Trustee Joe Walker stated that one of the problems was being able to police the illegal dumping that goes on.

Becky Ehling, Zoar Road, the dumping did happen when the gate was open when the ball fields were being developed. She stated that this is a spring fed lake.

Fritz Nelsen asked what kind of ground was hit when the test holes were done? He also recommended if they bring in fill dirt, they bring in something to push it off and roll it.

Kenny Hickey stated that Jurgensen, once the weather breaks, will bring a dozier in.

Kevin Ehling, 5465 Zoar Road, stated you don't want the water to run from Stubb Mill to the lake.

Fiscal Officer, Jim Hunter requested the Board approve a large purchase order in the amount of \$44,184.00 to Santander Bank for the lease of 3 police cruisers.

Trustee Joe Rozzi made the motion as stated above, and seconded by Trustee Joe Walker.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Fiscal Officer, Jim Hunter explained the improved financial report.

Fiscal Officer, Jim Hunter suggested that we should re-run the \$1 mil fire levy.

Trustee Joe Rozzi made a motion to approve Resolution # 18-0117, declaring certain personal property as obsolete, surplus, no longer needed for public use, and authorizing its disposition, and seconded by Trustee Darryl Cordrey.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Public Comments

Trustee Joe Rozzi opened the floor for public comments at 8:33 pm.

Fritz Nelsen, Hunters Close, still snow on his portion of the street, but according to the map, it is not highlighted. He asked that Mounts Park be opened immediately with proper signage and working with the police and fire department to see when they will be using the property.

Trustee Joe Walker stated there needs to be more discussion before we open the park.

Trustee Darryl Cordrey made a motion to open Mounts Park effective March 1, 2018, and seconded by Trustee Joe Rozzi.

Roll call as follows:	Darryl Cordrey	Yes
	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	No

Kevin Ehling, 5465 Zoar Road, wanted to say Thanks for opening to public comments.

Doug Miller, stated he has to check on a mortgage on the Monkey Bar property purchase. The restroom has to be maintained by the township for a few more years and it becomes ours.

Mr. Rozzi made a motion, and seconded by Mr. Cordrey to enter into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and compensation of an employee at 8:45 pm. In Executive Session were Joe Rozzi, Joe Walker, Darryl Cordrey, Law Director, Michelle Tegtmeier, and Kenny Hickey.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes

Mr. Rozzi made a motion, and seconded by Mr. Walker to come out of Executive Session at 9:38 pm.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

Trustee Joe Rozzi made a motion to increase pay for the following employees by 2.5%: Ellen Horman, Melissa Sterwerf, Kellie Krieger, Kenny Hickey, Don Pelfrey, and Michelle Tegtmeier, and seconded by Trustee Darryl Cordrey.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes

With no other business at hand a motion made by Mr. Rozzi with a second by Mr. Walker to adjourn at 9:39 pm.

Roll call as follows:	Joe Rozzi	Yes
	Joe Walker	Yes
	Darryl Cordrey	Yes

