

# HAMILTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

## October 21, 2015

Mr. Weber called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. with Mr. Weber, Mr. Duvelius and Mr. Wallace present.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by all in attendance.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to adopt the proposed agenda for the October 21, 2015 meeting.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to dispense with the public reading of the minutes and approve as written for the Special Meeting on October 1, 2015.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to dispense with the public reading of the minutes and approve as written for the October 7, 2015 meeting.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to pay the bills before the Board for checks numbered 75298 through 75303 as written.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to pay the bills before the Board for checks numbered 75309 through 75357 as written, with the exception of check 75324 to the Warren County Engineer's Office.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to pay check number 75324 to the Warren County Engineer's Office for the Road Resurfacing Project.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Abstain

Mr. Weber abstained because he works for the Warren County Engineer's Office.

Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to pay the withholding checks numbered 75304 and 75308 with Direct Deposit Vouchers 2015-1662 through 2015-1735 as written.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Ms. Kathy Oeder, Hamilton Township Business Expo Group, stated the annual Treat-N-Greet raised \$550.00 for the Hamilton Township Police Association. The Association will be giving a scholarship to a High School Graduate from Little Miami or Kings school districts and the applicant must be a Township resident.

Ms. Melissa Brock, Human Resources, asked the Board to make a motion to approve the purchase of a cemetery lot for Carol Georgiton within the Maineville Cemetery – New Section - Lot 534, Grave 5 and 6 at the resident rate of \$600.00 each for a total of \$1,200.00 reflective of Deed #2015-09.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to approve the purchase as stated above.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Ms. Brock asked the Board to make a motion to approve the purchase of a cemetery lot for Mitchell Gerald Ball within the Maineville Cemetery – New Section - Lot 567, Grave 4 at the rate resident rate of \$600.00 each for a total of \$600.00 reflective of Deed #2015-10.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to approve the purchase as stated above.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Ms. Brock asked the Board to make a motion to approve the purchase of a cemetery lot for Kyle Smiddy within the Murdoch Cemetery – New Section - Lot 131, Grave 8 at the rate resident rate of \$600.00 each for a total of \$600.00 reflective of Deed #2015-11. Ms. Brock noted Larry Haney would be buried in this lot.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to approve the purchase as stated above.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Ms. Brock asked the Board to make a motion to accept the personal leave of absence request for part-time member Firefighter/EMT John Hatfield within the Fire Organization effective October 21, 2015 through January 21, 2016.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion as stated above.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Mr. Gary Boeres, Administrator, presented a Then and Now request from the Fire Department from the Employee Physicals. The money is in the budget, but a purchase order was not done before the invoice was received.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to approve the Then and Now request for the Fire Department Physicals.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Mr. Boeres asked the Board to approve a Then and Now request for the transmission work done to the ladder truck with a not to exceed \$6,000.00.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Weber seconded the motion to approve the Then and Now for the transmission work and not to exceed \$6,000.00.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes

Mr. Boeres presented a large purchase order request for \$5,000.00 for the annual financial report by Hurst Kelly. This is the same report that was done last year without upgrading to the higher reporting level.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to approve the request for \$5,000.00 to Hurst Kelly.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Mr. Boeres presented another large purchase order request for \$162,000.00 for Berry Insurance for the liability insurance. The total amount is \$16,000.00 less than last year.

Mr. Duvelius made a motion and Mr. Wallace seconded the motion to approve the request for \$162,000.00 to Berry Insurance.

Roll call as follows:	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes
	Kurt Weber	Yes

Mr. Weber congratulated Mr. Kenny Hickey, Maintenance Supervisor, for taking LTAP classes for a Road Scholar Program Level 1 and Level 2 qualifications. Mr. Weber stated great job on taking initiative and completing the program. A round of applause was given.

Mr. Ray Warrick, Fiscal Officer, presented the monthly review with 75 percent of the year complete and the Township has only spent 67 percent of the budget and received 105 percent of projected revenues. Mr. Warrick stated prior to the end of the year the 2016 final budget will be approved. Some of the line items will get tightened-up from some of the earlier projections. There was a footnote about the Road and Bridge Fund showing 85 percent of the expenditures through September, but they are really at 61 percent because \$185,000.00 of their expenses was to pay back an advance from the General Fund earlier in the year. Everything else looks to be in order. In the expenses, there is more spent this month than in September of last year due to the TIF payment. Mr. Warrick believes the Township will still get three (3) years out of the TIF monies for road resurfacing and repairs.

Mr. Warrick prompted discussion about the Health Insurance. The Board has seen some numbers and the employee committee has met and is ready to move forward. Final paperwork will ready at the next meeting for the Board to sign. Mr. Warrick wanted to comment about the OPEC Consortium. Their quote for health insurance for next year was \$976,000.00 and by going outside of the group to the private section we have secured a bid for \$547, 000.00 for a similar policy. That is a 44 percent difference in premiums. There is a penalty to leave the consortium and that will be discussed in an executive session on November 4, 2015. Mr. Ritchie stated he would like the Trustees to discuss this in Executive Session next meeting so he can cover legal options that could lead to potential litigation. By paying the full penalty to the consortium the Township would still be saving \$145,000.00 in 2016.

Mr. Warren Ritchie, Law Director, had nothing new to report.

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Mr. Weber made a motion and Mr. Duvelius seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 p.m.

Roll call as follows:	Kurt Weber	Yes
	Gene Duvelius	Yes
	David Wallace	Yes