

COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

5686 KENWOOD ROAD CINCINNATI, OHIO 45227

**Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 6, 2017**

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The Columbia Township Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Trustee David Kubicki at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance

Those Trustees in attendance were David Kubicki and Chris Kritikos; Susan Hughes was out of town. The Township Administrator, Michael Lemon and Fiscal Officer Caroline Heekin were also present. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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Approval of Minutes

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kritikos to approve regular meeting minutes from May 9, 2017 with one correction noted; Ms. Hughes was mentioned in the meeting but was not actually present. All present voted to approve.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to approve the special meeting minutes from May 18, 2017. All present voted to approve.

Department Reports

Fire Inspector Report -

Bob Wendell's report was included with the meeting packet and is available for public inspection.

Superintendent Report

John Servizzi's report was included with the meeting packet and is available for public inspection.

Police Report

Lt. Daniel J. McElroy's report was included with the meeting packet and is available for public inspection.

Fiscal Officer Report

Ms. Heekin's report was included with the meeting packet and is available for public inspection.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Lemon's report was included with the meeting packet and is available for public inspection.

Mr. Lemon shared details regarding the Parking Study currently underway; we will receive our first report on June 20th. There will be a comprehensive plan meeting following the township meeting to receive input from the steak holders committee to reflect on residents' requests. There should be a draft in 6 weeks. The purchaser of the old Home Emporium is considering a PILOT project with the Township. Mr. Kubicki commended Mr. Lemon's creative efforts in this endeavor.

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LMJF&R financials were reviewed at a special meeting. Financial scenarios indicate that a merge will be positive; however, we are not currently involved in the merger discussion. Mr. Lemon would like to pursue merger discussions if we can be represented. Mr. Kubicki will call to reinforce these sentiments.

Cliff Ridge resurfacing is finished.

Roe Avenue completion date is set for December. Bids may come in too high; if so, we will rebid. Seven (7) contractors have picked up plans.

The Budget will be submitted to the County when financial reports become available to finish its preparation.

Our partner in the Bike Path Study is Great Parks of Hamilton County; we can consider the project officially launched.

CBT Bond repayment is due on June 1st. CBT was under taxed; with a new valuation they will be paying at the higher rate.

The contract was extended for electric aggregation with IGS through August 2020 at 7% lower rate for residents; this will require an emergency resolution as contract is due by June 20th.

The Pipeline Siting Board issued a 71 page report. An alternative route has been selected; the Pipeline will not come through the Ridgewood area of Columbia Township

LMJF&R Report

Mr. Kubicki noted that Mr. Lemon has covered this report fully.

Trustees Report

Mr. Kubicki reported that Wooster Pike had sidewalk damage which requires an ODOT request.

Mike Tighe has reported to Mr. Kubicki that people have complained to him about the passing of the Police Levy. Mr. Kubicki stated he has not heard from nor talked to anyone else expressing opposition to the levy passing.

Communications

- Duke Energy: Notice of Public Hearing for Central Corridor Pipeline Project (5/1)
- Cincinnati Enquirer: Article "Liberty Township cracks down on door-to-door solicitors" (5/4)

Resolutions

Mr. Lemon read the proposed resolution Authorizing the Township Administrator to Enter into a Contract with Interstate Gas Supply LLC that Amends the master Service Agreement for Electric Aggregation Service Dated August 14, 2014; and to Declare an Emergency.

Ms. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kritikos to suspend the rules. All present voted to approve.

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Mr. Lemon provided the 2nd reading. Ms. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kritikos, to adopt Resolution 17-19 Authorizing the Township Administrator to Enter into a Contract with Interstate Gas Supply LLC that Amends the master Service Agreement for Electric Aggregation Service Dated August 14, 2014; and to Declare an Emergency. All present vote to adopt. Ms. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kritikos to invoke the Emergency clause.

Mr. Lemon read the proposed Resolution provided Approving a Feasibility Study in Partnership with Great Parks of Hamilton County and Payment of \$9,000.00 to IBI Group for Completing the Feasibility Study. The second reading will be made at a special meeting to be scheduled.

Approve Payment of Bills, Bank Reconciliation and Financial Reports

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kritikos, to approve payment of bills, Bank Reconciliation and Financial reports for May 2017. All present voted to approve.

Adjournment

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kritikos to adjourn the meeting. All present voted to approve.

Ms. Hughes wishes all a Happy 4th.

_____ Susan Hughes	_____ Date
_____ David Kubicki	_____ Date
_____ Chris Kritikos	_____ Date
_____ Caroline Heekin	_____ Date