

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of BOARD OF TRUSTEES – BATAVIA TOWNSHIP –Regular

February 21, 2006

The Board of Trustees of Batavia Township met in Regular Session, Tuesday, February 21, 2006 at the Office/Service Complex. Chairman Clepper called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Present were Trustees, Archie Wilson, Lee Cornett, Deborah Clepper, Administrator Rex Parsons, and Fiscal Officer Jennifer Haley. Those present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr. Wilson motioned to approve the minutes from the February 7th meeting. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mrs. Clepper	yes	
Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mr. Wilson	yes	Motion carried

Chairman Clepper called for review of the vouchers, warrants, or purchase orders. Mr. Cornett motioned to approve the vouchers, warrants or purchase orders, and construction payments as presented per dates shown. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Wilson	yes	
Mrs. Clepper	yes	
Mr. Cornett	yes	Motion carried.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Mrs. Kelley stated that the townships planner Mr. Wocher from McBride Dale Clarion was present to speak about the text amendments. Mr. Wocher summarized the proposed text amendments with discussion to clarify their purpose. There was lengthy discussion regarding the need for light constraint to protect residential property from commercial sites. There was also discussion regarding the possible need to revise the multi-family district to prevent established single-family neighborhoods from being integrated with multi-family housing. Mr. Wocher was directed to work with Mrs. Kelley to devise some possible language that would address these issues. The Board decided that more time was needed for review before passing this on to the Clermont County Planning Commission. This discussion will be continued at the workshop meeting on March 21, 2006.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Mr. Parsons spoke of insurance quotes he received noting that OTARMA has submitted the best quote of \$23,121.00 for 2006. There was discussion about the fire department

paying for some coverage for their use of the old building and the cost of coverage for the new building.

Mr. Wilson motioned to renew coverage with OTARMA for the quoted price. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mrs. Clepper	yes	
Mr. Wilson	yes	Motion carried.

WORK SESSION

Chairman concluded the public portion of the meeting and proceeded into a work session. She noted that the public was welcome to stay, however they would not take any public comment.

*Cemeteries ~ it was noted that a section of fencing is missing in the Greenbriar Cemetery. The Board discussed the various styles of fencing that could be used within the cemeteries. The Board asked Mr. Parson to get updated quotes, which would be discussed at the next work session. Discussion ensued about continuing the feel of the horse park fencing along the 32 corridor, with it being noted that it could possibly be included in the forth-coming text amendments.

*Maintenance building addition ~ Mr. Parsons stated that the contractor has presented a design for a ramp between the two buildings, adding that approval for occupancy will follow. Discussion ensued about the discrepancy of the floor between the new and old building not being level. Mr. Parsons noted that the fans were installed and heavier doors are to be installed at no extra cost.

(The Board has went back to the Administrator's Report)

Mr. Parsons informed the Board of the acceptance of the following streets in the Batavia Township Public Road System. In the Waterford Estates subdivision, Homewood Court (0.131 miles), Waterstone Drive (0.249 miles). It was confirmed that Mr. Embry has walked and signed off on these roads. Mr. Cornett motioned to accept these streets in the Batavia Township Public Road System. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Wilson	yes	
Mrs. Clepper	yes	
Mr. Cornett	yes	Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding the Clermont Philharmonic summer concert. The Board would like them to hold their concert at the new Township hall and requested Mr. Parsons to speak with them regarding this issue. Mr. Wilson motioned to contribute

\$1000.00 to Clermont Philharmonic. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mrs. Clepper	yes	
Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mr. Wilson	yes	Motion carried.

Mr. Parsons confirmed that the Town Meeting with the County Commissioners would be held at Batavia's new Township hall on September 27, 2006. He further stated that a Ford Task Force has met and formed three committees regarding the closing of the Ford Plant. Additional discussion ensued regarding this issue.

There was a lengthy discussion about the TABOR Amendment for the Ohio Tax Code.

There was discussion about the County Engineers agreeing to limit our cost exposure on Chapel Road & SR 132 and Bauer Road & Old SR 32 improvements. Mr. Parsons stated that a section of Old SR 32 between Bauer & Brunk would be closed for 2-3 months. There were concerns about Brunk Road being over used during the closing.

Mr. Cornett motioned to adopted **Resolution 2-01-06** requesting the assistance of the Clermont County Engineer in improving the Bauer Road intersection with Old State Route 32 and Chapel Road intersection with State Route 132 located in Batavia Township. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Wilson	yes	
Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mrs. Clepper	yes	Motion carried.

Mr. Parsons addressed a letter from Mr. Spinney, County Administrator, rebutting reports on T.I.F (Tax Incentive Financing) spending within the County and Batavia Townships wish list.

Mr. Parsons stated that he spoke with Mr. Wharton, Economic Executive Director, who has suggested that the Trustees consider recommending a new proposal to ODOT for the SR 32 improvements to fit into the eastern corridor plan. Discussion ensued regarding this issue with the Board deciding to invite Mr. Spinney and Mr. Wharton to the March 21st meeting for additional discussion regarding concerns on this topic.

There was discussion regarding a second deputy with it being noted to postpone this topic until May. Discussion again arose regarding insurance on the new building and township vehicles.

*Porch ~ the front elevation of discussed, with it being noted that there was a misconception whether there was to be a porch or just an overhang.

*Electric services ~ service was discussed and if it was provided or not from the street to the building.

*Pond fountain ~ there was discussion on the cost of running electric to the pond for a fountain.

*Concrete finishing ~ the board discussed what kind of concrete would be used for the porch area and sidewalk. Pricing was also discussed.

*Landscaping ~ Mr. Parsons gave the board quotes he received for the landscaping. Different types of landscaping was discussed along with irrigation and seeding.

*Signage ~ marquee and lighted signs were discussed.

*Fire and security systems ~ there were discussion on the different alarm, smoke and sprinkler systems.

Additional discussion ensued regarding the budget and what funds would be available to purchase the services that were discussed this evening.

*Phone systems ~ Mr. Parson discussed the quotes he received and explained the different systems.

Mr. Wilson motioned to approve \$8,672.00 for a complete phone system including installation with Parallel Technologies. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mrs. Clepper	yes	
Mr. Cornett	yes	
Mr. Wilson	yes	Motion carried.

The Board instructed Mr. Parsons to research other companies and acquire better quotes.

Chairman then called for a motion to adjourn to Executive Session.

Mrs. Clepper motioned to go into executive session for personnel discussion. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mrs. Clepper	yes	
Mr. Wilson	yes	
Mr. Cornett	yes	Motion carried.

The Board reconvened back to regular session.

As there was no further business to come before the board, Mr. Wilson motioned to adjourn. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Deborah Clepper,
Chairman

Jennifer Haley
Fiscal Officer,