

August 21, 2007 – REGULAR SESSION

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of BOARD OF TRUSTEES – BATAVIA TOWNSHIP –

The Board of Trustees of Batavia Township met in regular session Tuesday, August 21, 2007 at the Batavia Township Community Center. Chairman Clepper called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Trustees, Chairman Deborah Clepper, Mr. Archie Wilson, Mr. Lee Cornett, Fiscal Officer Jennifer Haley, Administrator Rex Parsons, and Zoning Administrator, Denise Kelley. Those present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and remained standing for a moment of silence for the troops.

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

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

FISCAL OFFICER

Mr. Cornett motioned to approve the BC's, purchase orders, and payments. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Paul Berringer and Mrs. Elaine Miller presented to speak on behalf of the dry hydrant she wants to have installed on her property for the Fire Department use in Batavia and Williamsburg Townships. Mr. Wilson motioned to approve the easement to access the dry hydrant. Mr. Cornett seconded that motion. On the roll being called:

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

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Mrs. Kelley, Zoning Administrator gave her report. The Zoning Commission heard the Bauer Road retail was denied. It will be brought before the Board on the September 18th meeting. We will also hear the Apple Road – Glaug property P.D. request on September 18th.

The text amendments are at the County and are now being reviewed.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Mr. Parsons reported the Chapel Road and Route 132 intersection improvement is to be awarded within one week.

There was discussion about the Duke Energy power outage issues. The problems have been and continue to be addressed by Duke in our Township.

NEW BUSINESS

Duke Energy requests right of way for pole easement.

Mr. Parsons presented two new roads that need to be accepted for Batavia Township which include the Woodland subdivision: Thornberry Road and Wedgewood Court. Mr. Cornett motioned to accept these roads into the Batavia Township road system maintenance. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

A bid from A&A Safety was made on re-striping for 2007. There was discussion on the project. This will be tabled until next meeting.

The Clermont County Engineer made a speed reduction on Curliss Lane from 55 to 40 miles per hour. We need to erect signage for enforcement of the speed.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Parsons said the parking lot and sidewalk project is well under way. There will be paving later this week and fencing will follow shortly thereafter. There was discussion on the development of sidewalks and connectivity to our park.

The TIRC meeting update was given.

Chairman called for a 5 minute recess at 6:45 p.m. Mr. Cornett motioned to move into executive session at 6:50 for personnel and legal issues. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

Mr. Wilson motioned to return to regular session at 7:55 p.m. Mr. Cornett seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

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

DEPUTY’S REPORT

Deputy Boerger opened discussion on dog barking issues in the Township. The deputies are to use their judgment with Trustee’s support.

Community oriented policing program – Deputy Boerger displayed a door hanger the civil department will put on people’s door to point out bikes in yards, garage doors open, etc.

The Sheriff’s Department is checking into a brochure they can pass out containing safety tips, etc.

They are looking into a portable sign to alert drivers to their speed in subdivisions, etc.

WORKSHOP

Evaluation process and compensation – Mr. Parsons discussed the evaluation process and schedule which includes a new form. We will revisit this at the next meeting.

Phase II – Will discuss later.

Picnic Shelter – There is a problem with the grant process. There is a need for County spec’s prior to the bid and requires a bathroom within 500 feet.

Speed Study – Mr. Parsons gave the update.

Newsletter – Mr. Parsons has a sample newsletter that can be edited/modified. The final will be copy will be voted on at the next meeting.

Meeting Room Guidelines – The Batavia Rotary and a church want to meet here weekly and the policy is only for once a month. Discussion ensued on the issue. We will revisit this topic at the next meeting.

Burnham Woods – A resident is soliciting neighbors by letter proposing a petition to annex into the Amelia Village.

As there was no further business to come before the board, Mrs. Clepper motioned to adjourn at 9:01 p.m. Mr. Wilson seconded that motion. Meeting adjourned.

Deborah Clepper,
Chairman

Jennifer Haley,
Fiscal Officer