

**Meeting Minutes of the Miami Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting via Zoom**

April 6, 2021

Via Zoom, Trustee President John Morris called the Miami Township Board of Trustees Regular meeting to order on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 6:00 pm and led in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance was as follows:

Elected Officials:		Present	Absent
John Morris	Trustee President	X	
Terry Posey, Jr.	Trustee Vice- President	X	
Don Culp	Trustee	X	
Aaron Newell	Fiscal Officer	X	
Township Staff:			
Ron Hess	Township Administrator	X	
Dan Mayberry	Public Works Director	X	
Clay McCord	Finance Director	X	
Chris Snyder	Community Development Director		X
Chief Charles Stiegelmeier	Police Chief	X	
Alex Carlson	Planner	X	

RECOGNITION OF MILITARY CASUALTIES

☞ There were no military casualties to report for this meeting.

RECOGNITION OF FIRST RESPONDER CASUALTIES

Chief Stiegelmeier read the First Responders Casualties for the period of March 16, 2021 through April 6, 2021 who gave the ultimate sacrifice for the community they serve.

- ★ **Border Patrol Agent Alejandro Flores-Bañuelos** – US Dept of Homeland Security- Customs and Border Protection
- ★ **Police Officer Kevin Valencia** – Orlando Police Dept, FL
- ★ **Police Officer Eric Talley** – Boulder Police Dept, CO
- ★ **Correctional Officer Robert McFarland** – Iowa Dept of Corrections, IA
- ☠ **Firefighter Jared Lloyd** – Spring Valley Fire Dept, NY
- ★ **Senior Master Trooper Todd A. Hanneken** – Illinois State Police, IL
- ★ **Corporal Kyle Jeffrey Davis** – Washington County Sheriff's Office, WA
- ★ **Trooper Joseph Gallagher** – New York State Police Dept, NY
- ★ **Reserve Deputy Sheriff James Driver** – Monroe County Sheriff's Office, IN
- ★ **Trooper Chad Walker** – Texas Dept of Public Safety, TX
- ★ **Police Officer William Evans** – US Capitol Police, US Government
- ★ **Lieutenant James Kouski** – Hometown Police Dept, IL
- ★ **Deputy Sheriff Christopher Wilson Knight** – Bibb County Sheriff's Office, GA

Mr. Morris ask for all to join him in a moment of silence.

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CONSENT AGENDA

All matters under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Board of Trustees to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. Any Trustee may remove an item from the Consent Agenda by request. No second is required for removal of an item. Items removed for separate discussion will be considered after the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

- A. Meeting Minutes
 - March 16, 2021
- B. Payroll and Bills
 - Payroll dated March 26, 2021 total \$206,241.69.
 - Current Purchase Orders through Purchase Order 2021000202.
 - Walk-on Purchase Orders 2021000203 – 2021000208.
 - Regular check run checks 74392 – 74446, totaling \$252,907.95.

Mr. Morris motioned, and Mr. Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda items.

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Morris	X			
Mr. Posey, Jr.	X			
Mr. Culp	X			

NEW BUSINESS

Dan Mayberry, Public Works Director, presented the following item:

- **Resolution 026-2020** to extend an intergovernmental agreement for the Austin Enhancements Maintenance and management services with the Austin Center JEDD

Mr. Mayberry stated that this is the seventh year for this arrangement and that the last contract ended December 31, 2020. This contract extends Mr. Mayberry’s oversight of the aesthetic enhancements on behalf of the Austin Center JEDD. The contract is for an additional five years and generates up to \$25,000 for the Road and Bridge Fund.

Alex Carlson, Community Development Planner, had submitted a draft resolution recommending the appointment of an alternate member to the Miami Township Zoning Commission. Prior to the presentation of the formal resolution, Mr. Posey Jr. asked for the resolution and discussion to be tabled to a future meeting. He also asked for clarification from Mr. Hess on the proper way to proceed. Mr. Hess stated that during the consideration of votes on the resolutions a trustee would have to make a motion to table the resolution for another meeting. If the motion is seconded, it could be discussed further or tabled for another meeting.

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Clay McCord, Finance Director, presented the following item:

- **Resolution 028-2021** to amend an appropriation of funds for 2021

The resolution reduces the Police Department personnel line to increase the police other line by \$45,500. This will not change the Police Department's overall budget. Recently a cruiser was damaged in an accident and while the township waits for insurance to work out the details this resolution will allow the township to order the new vehicle, get it outfitted, and on the road sooner.

Ron Hess, Township Administrator had submitted a motion to revise the Board of Trustees Meeting procedures. Mr. Hess withdrew the request pending a response from the law director. Mr. Hess suggested tabling the motion to a future meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Morris opened the floor for public comments and reminded those who wish to speak to hit the raise your hand button. Mr. Carlson monitored the online meeting lobby for anyone asking to speak.

David Koplovich, 110 W Spring Valley Pike, stated he is a contractor in the area and while quoting a job he had a confrontation with an individual. Mr. Koplovich decided he wanted to get this situation documented and contacted the police. Mr. Koplovich stated the officer was rude and unprofessional and Mr. Koplovich asked to speak to someone with more authority. Mr. Koplovich said he spoke with three officers. Mr. Koplovich said all three officers seemed disinterested in what he had to say and dismissed him quickly.

Greg Jump, 6151 Cantata Court, stated that he had received a nice reply from Chief Stiegelmeier about a visibility problem at the Eckeley Blvd and Springboro Pike intersection. Mr. Jump stated that some evergreen trees were greatly reducing the visibility from drivers on Eckeley. Mr. Jump noted that the trees were trimmed last year and suggested they be trimmed back even more to increase visibility.

Mr. Morris replied he would talk with the Chief and the Public Works Director to see if there is something the township can do about the visibility in that area.

CONSIDER VOTE OF RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

Resolution 026-2021

Mr. Morris motioned, and Mr. Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 026-2021 to extend an intergovernmental agreement for the Austin Enhancements maintenance and management services with the Austin Center JEDD for an additional four years.

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	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Morris	X			
Mr. Posey, Jr.	X			
Mr. Culp	X			

Resolution 027-2021

Mr. Posey Jr. motioned, and Mr. Culp. seconded the motion to **table** Resolution 027-2021 and to move its discussion to a future meeting.

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Morris	X			
Mr. Posey, Jr.	X			
Mr. Culp	X			

Resolution 028-2021

Mr. Morris motioned, and Mr. Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 028-2021 to amend an appropriation of funds for 2021 for the Police Fund.

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Morris	X			
Mr. Posey, Jr.	X			
Mr. Culp	X			

Motion to revise the Board of Trustees Meeting Procedures.

Mr. Morris motioned, and Mr. Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to **table** the motion to revise the Board of Trustees meeting procedures.

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Morris	X			
Mr. Posey, Jr.	X			
Mr. Culp	X			

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There are no Public Hearings scheduled for this meeting.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

Mr. Hess announced that, weather permitting, Vienna Parkway will be opened on May 3rd, and that a ribbon cutting ceremony is being planned and details will be made public as they are finalized.

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Mr. Hess also noted that April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and that during the month of April, the township would be collecting children's clothing donations for Montgomery County Children Services. Communication Coordinator, Jill Drury, will post additional information on social media about how the community can help with this project.

WORK SESSION

Mr. Morris motioned, and Mr. Posey, Jr. seconded the motion at 6:23 pm to go into Work Session.

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Morris	X			
Mr. Posey, Jr.	X			
Mr. Culp	X			

The following item was discussed in Work Session:

- Follow-up to staff retreat

Mr. Hess and Mr. McCord provided a brief update on potential funding sources for the capital projects discussed at the staff retreat conducted earlier in the quarter. Additional project cost estimates were requested by the Trustees before proceeding with prioritizing the individual projects.

Mr. Morris motioned, and Mr. Posey, Jr. seconded the motion at 6:55 pm to leave Work Session and return to Regular Session.

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Morris	X			
Mr. Posey, Jr.	X			
Mr. Culp	X			

REGULAR SESSION

Mr. Morris adjourned the meeting at 6:57pm.

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SIGNATURE PAGE ONLY



John Morris, Trustee President

Attested:



Aaron F. Newell, Fiscal Officer

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