

Meeting Minutes of the Miami Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
April 19, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee President Terry W. Posey, Jr. called the Miami Township Board of Trustees Regular meeting to order on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at 6:00PM and led in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance was as follows:

Elected Officials:		Present	Absent
Terry Posey, Jr.	Trustee President	X	
John Morris	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	Assistant Township Administrator	X	
Charles Stiegelmeier	Police Chief	X	
Alex Carlson	Deputy Director of Community Development	x	

RECOGNITION OF FIRST RESPONDER CASUALTIES

Chief Stiegelmeier read the First Responders Casualties for April 6 through April 19, 2022.

- **Fire Chief Darren Krull**, Elwood Volunteer Fire Department, NE
- **Firefighter Brendan Bessee**, Salt River Fire Department, AZ
- **Fire Lieutenant, Philip Wigal**, Town and Country Fire District, OH

Chief Stiegelmeier noted that **Officer Pat McCoy**, who retired from the Miami Township Police Department in 2020, recently lost his battle with cancer and asked everyone to keep him and his family and friends in mind as they prepare to say their farewells this coming weekend.

In recognition of these individuals, Mr. Posey Jr. asked everyone to join him in a moment of silence.

RECOGNITION OF ATTENDEES AND GUESTS

Trustee Posey, Jr. noted that no guests or presentations were scheduled for this meeting.

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, and a second is no required to remove an item. Removed items will be considered after the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

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- A. Meeting Minutes: April 5, 2022
- B. Purchase Orders through #2022000441
- C. Payments totaling \$499,980 consisting of:
 - Checks: #75777 - #75822, and
 - Electronic Transfers: EFT 2022000026 - EFT 2022000047
- D. Payroll #07, Check Date: April 8, 2022, totaling \$214.847

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

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

NEW BUSINESS

- Township Administrator Ron Hess presented the following:
 - **Resolution 036-2022** to approve participation in Region 8 Governance Structure under the OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding

Mr. Hess provided a brief recap of the OneOhio Region 8 leadership efforts to create a governance structure. Mr. Hess noted that the Region 8 governance board met on March 25, 2022, to create a governance structure that ensures all local governments have input and equitable representation regarding regional decisions and representation on the statewide OneOhio Recovery Foundation.

Trustee Morris expressed his appreciation for the efforts and indicated he was in favor of the proposed structure.
- Deputy Direct of Community Development Alex Carlson presented the following:
 - **Resolution 037-2022** to accept the resignation of a Zoning Commission member

Mr. Carlson noted that Zachary Dickerson was moving out of the Township and no longer eligible to sit on the zoning commission.
 - **Resolution 038-2022** to appoint a Zoning Commission Regular Member

Mr. Carlson noted that staff was recommending current alternate member Jane Heavin be appointed to the open seat on the Miami Township Zoning Commission.

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- Finance Director Clay McCord presented the following:
 - **Resolution 039-2022** to approve a Transfer of Funds from the Fire Deferred Benefits Fund (#3260) to the Fire Fund (#210) for the retirement of former Miami Township Fire Department employees.

Mr. McCord recapped the retirement requirements within the agreement that formed the Miami Valley Fire District, the Township was responsible for the payout of unused sick leave of former Miami Township Fire Department employees. He indicated that the Township reimburses the MVFD for its share of the payout, and that the Township maintains a reserve account for these potential payments.
 - **Resolution #040-2022** to approve a Transfer of Funds from the Police Stabilization Fund (#299) to the Police Fund (#209) and a Transfer of Funds from the General Stabilization Funds (#191) to the General Fund (#101)
 - **Resolution #041-2022** to approve an amended appropriation of funds for 2022

Mr. McCord stated the Transfers of Funds and the Amended Appropriation are related to a payment of a legal judgment against the Township.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Trustee Posey, Jr. opened the floor for public comments and reminded those who wish to speak that public comments are limited to three minutes and should not be related to the zoning cases being heard this evening as they will have their own comments period.

Name, address, and comments

- **Paul Ley**, 6709 Vienna Woods Trail expressed concerns about upcoming ballot issue regarding the energy aggregation ballot issue.
- **Rob Jensen**, 6986 Rosecliff Drive expressed thanks to Chief Stiegelmeier for the new speed signs installed along Vienna Parkway, concerns about the energy aggregation ballot issue, and the public comments section of the Trustee meetings.
- **Matthew Turton**, 6600 Jamaica Road, expressed concerns about the operations at the enjoined wedding venue adjacent to his property, specifically about the potential for guest interaction with his animals.

Trustee Culp asked Chief Stiegelmeier about options available regarding the nuisance concerns expressed by Mr. Turton.

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CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

Resolution 036-2022

Trustee Posey, Jr. motioned, and Trustee Morris seconded the motion to approve Resolution 036-2022 to approve participation in Region 8 Governance Structure under the OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding.

Mr. Posey, Jr. called for any additional discussion. With none being brought forth, Mr. Newell called the roll and recorded the vote.

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

Resolution 037-2022

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 037-2022 to accept the resignation of a Zoning Commission member.

Mr. Posey, Jr. called for any additional discussion. With none being brought forth, Mr. Newell called the roll and recorded the vote.

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

Resolution 038-2022

Trustee Posey, Jr. motioned, and Trustee Morris seconded the motion to approve Resolution 038-2022 to appoint a Zoning Commission member.

Mr. Posey, Jr. called for any additional discussion. With none being brought forth, Mr. Newell called the roll and recorded the vote.

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

Resolution 039-2022

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 039-2022 to approve a transfer of funds from the Fire Deferred Benefits Fund (#360) to the Fire Fund (#210) for the retirement of a former Miami Township Fire Department employee.

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Mr. Posey, Jr. called for any additional discussion. With none being brought forth, Mr. Newell called the roll and recorded the vote.

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

Resolution 040-2022

Trustee Posey, Jr. motioned, and Trustee Morris seconded the motion to approve Resolution 040-2022 to approve a transfer of funds from the Police Stabilization Fund (#299) to the Police Fund (#209) and a transfer of funds from the General Stabilization Fund (#191) to the General Fund (#101).

Mr. Posey, Jr. called for any additional discussion. With none being brought forth, Mr. Newell called the roll and recorded the vote.

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

Resolution 041-2022

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 041-2022 to amend the appropriations for 2022.

Trustee Posey, Jr. called for any additional discussion. With none being brought forth, Mr. Newell called the roll and recorded the vote.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None scheduled for this meeting.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

Miami Valley Fire Chief, Brandon Barnett was invited by Trustee Posey, Jr. to address the Board. Chief Barnett noted that several firefighters had indicated their intent to retire and that the

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MVFD was actively searching for replacements. Chief also indicated that a number of carbon monoxide (CO) detectors as well as fire/smoke alarms were recently donated, and district personnel were available to assist residents with installation if needed.

Mr. Posey, Jr. said he saw the social media post about the recruiting video produced for the district.

Mr. Morris thanked Chief Barnett for the monthly report and suggested adding a report on the number of fire hydrants that were not working in the township

Police Chief Stiegelmeier indicated that call volumes were within expectations.

Assistant Township Administrator Chris Snyder provided some clarifying comments regarding the upcoming energy aggregation ballot issue, specifically that the ballot issue was to authorize the hiring of a broker to assist with the negotiations for an aggregation agreement. Mr. Snyder also noted that individual utility customers retained the right to opt-out of any agreement that may be reached in the future.

Township Administrator Ronald Hess reminded everyone that Township staff is available to answer questions throughout the week and the anyone is welcome to stop by or call to ask questions and discuss concerns. Mr. Hess also reminded everyone that Office Pat McCoy had served Miami Township for 31 years and asked everyone to keep his family and friends in their thoughts this week.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Don Culp

Commented about the location of the work session in which Trebel presented information regarding energy aggregation to the Trustees.

John Morris

Recapped the efforts to bring the ballot issue regarding energy aggregation to the voters and the expectations in engaging a broker to negotiate energy rates on behalf of the township.

Terry Posey, Jr.

Addressed the location of work sessions, the practice of dispensing with a second reading of resolutions, and the efforts employed to ensure items before the Board are published in advance. Mr. Posey also noted that the energy aggregation work session was conducted at the January 18th Trustees meeting and the subsequent legislative action was taken at the February 8th meeting.

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WORK SESSION

Trustee Posey, Jr. motioned, and Trustee Morris seconded the motion at 6:36PM to go into Work Session.

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

The following topics were discussed in Work Session.

- American Rescue Plan

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Trustee Posey, Jr. motioned, and Trustee Morris seconded the motion at 6:52PM to leave Work Session and return to Regular Session.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Posey Jr. adjourned the meeting at 6:52PM.



Trustee President Terry W. Posey, Jr.

Attested:



Fiscal Officer Aaron Newell
May 3, 2022