

**Meeting Minutes of the Miami Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
July 18, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee President John Morris called the Miami Township Board of Trustees Regular meeting to order on Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at 6:00PM 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	
Greg Clingerman	Fiscal Officer	X	
Township Staff:			
Chris Snyder	Township Administrator	X	
Alex Carlson	Community Development Director	X	
Clay McCord	Finance Director	X	
John Schweickart	Public Works Director	X	
Charles Stieglmeyer	Police Chief	X	

RECOGNITION OF FIRST RESPONDER CASUALTIES

Chief Stieglmeyer read the First Responders Casualties for July 6 – July 18, 2023.

- **Police Officer Jessica Ebbighausen, Rutland Police Department, VT**
- **Deputy Sheriff John Durm, Marion County Sheriff's Office, IN**
- **Police Officer Jake Wallin, Fargo Police Department, ND**
- **Police Officer Anthony Ferguson, Alamogordo Police Department, NM**

In recognition of these individuals, Trustee Morris asked everyone to join him in a moment of silence.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Trustee Morris stated that there were no guests or presentations.

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 not 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: July 5, 2023
- B. Purchase Orders through #2023000593
- C. Payments totaling \$362,728.94 consisting of:
 - Checks: #77302 – #77340, and
 - Electronic Transfers: #2023000495 – #2023000511
- D. Payroll #14, Check Date: 7/14/2023 totaling \$217,027.91

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

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

NEW BUSINESS

- Township Administrator Chris Snyder presented the following:
 - **Resolution 062-2023** to authorize a salary increase for the Community Development Director
 - **Resolution 063-2023** to authorize a salary increase for the Public Works Director
 - **Resolution 064-2023** to approve and authorize the execution and delivery of an engagement letter with Frost Brown Todd, LLC to provide legal services

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Trustee Morris opened the floor for public comments and reminded those who wish to speak that the public comment period is an opportunity for the public to address the Board rather than dialogue.

John Brazier, 2344 Bradshire Road

Mr. Brazier stated his concerns with the installation of fiber utilities in his neighborhood, specifically concerned with the lack of coordination and equipment life cycle management by the utility companies. He asked if the Board could look into solutions.

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CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

Resolution 062-2023

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Culp seconded the motion to approve Resolution 062-2023 to authorize a salary increase for the Community Development Director.

Trustee Morris called for any additional discussion. With none being brought forth, Mr. Clingerman called the roll and recorded the vote.

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

Resolution 063-2023

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Culp seconded the motion to approve Resolution 063-2023 to authorize a salary increase for the Public Works Director.

Trustee Morris called for any additional discussion. With none being brought forth, Mr. Clingerman called the roll and recorded the vote.

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

Resolution 064-2023

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Culp seconded the motion to approve Resolution 064-2023 to approve and authorize the execution and delivery of an engagement letter with Frost Brown Todd, LLC to provide legal services.

Trustee Morris called for any additional discussion. With none being brought forth, Mr. Clingerman called the roll and recorded the vote.

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

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DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

None

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Fiscal Officer Greg Clingerman

Mr. Clingerman stated that in his time as Fiscal Officer, he has appreciated the work conducted by Directors Carlson and Schweickart and feels that they will continue to serve Miami Township well.

Trustee Don Culp

Mr. Culp asked whether staff has researched legislation to help manage utility infrastructure left behind by companies.

Mr. Carlson responded affirmatively that he and Mr. Schweickart have discussed solutions to require removal of outdated equipment prior to starting new construction and will bring their research back to the Board for future discussion.

Mr. Schweickart also commented that staff is preparing an updated fee schedule for work conducted in the public right-of-way that may help establish better standards for the condition the right-of-way is left after work has concluded.

Mr. Culp also asked about staff's level of coordination with the Austin Landing management after events, specifically with concerns about the impact of events on businesses within the development.

Mr. Snyder responded that staff does discuss issues that arise with Austin Landing management, and coordinate ahead of events, specifically with the Police Department and Miami Valley Fire District. He stated that staff will evaluate impacts and discuss with Austin Landing management accordingly.

Trustee John Morris

Mr. Morris addressed the comments made by Mr. Brazier, specifically that the State of Ohio has allowed fiber optic installation to be classified as utility, which limits the level of regulation townships may enact on their processes, and further stated that the township will look into the issues further to discuss solutions.

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ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Morris adjourned the meeting at 6:14PM.



Trustee President John Morris

Attested:



Fiscal Officer Greg Clingerman
August 23, 2023