

**Meeting Minutes of the Miami Township Board of Trustees**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**September 19, 2023**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Trustee President John Morris called the Miami Township Board of Trustees Regular meeting to order on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 6:00PM and led in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance was as follows:

<b>Elected Officials:</b>		Present	Absent
John Morris	Trustee President	X	
Terry Posey, Jr.	Trustee Vice-President	X	
Don Culp	Trustee	X	
Greg Clingerman	Fiscal Officer	X	
<b>Township Staff:</b>			
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	

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**RECOGNITION OF FIRST RESPONDER CASUALTIES**

Chief Stieglmeyer read the First Responders Casualties for September 6 - 19, 2023.

- **Detective Robert Garten, Hartford Police Dept., CT**
- **Deputy Sheriff II Auston Smith Reudelhuber, Forsyth County Sheriff's Office, NC**
- **Police Officer Kevin Cram, Algona Police Dept., IA**
- **Deputy Sheriff Ryan Clinkunbroomer, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept., CA**

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

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**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

Trustee Morris stated there were no guests or presentations.

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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, 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: September 5, 2023
- B. Purchase Orders through #2023000666
- C. Payments totaling \$35,323.08 consisting of:
  - Checks: #77502 – #77528, and
  - Electronic Transfers: #2023000543 – #2023000554
- D. Payroll #19, Check Date: 9/22/2023 totaling \$218,806.61

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

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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**NEW BUSINESS**

- Police Chief Charlie Stieglmeyer presented the following:
  - **Resolution 077-2023** to sell property to a retiring employee.

Trustee Morris inquired about the lifespan of a service weapon and Chief Stieglmeyer stated that it depends on the amount of use and care, but typically 8 years.
- Public Works Director John Schweickart presented the following:
  - **Resolution 078-2023** to declare surplus property and authorize the sale of said property.
- Community Development Director Alex Carlson presented the following:
  - **Resolution 079-2023** to authorize the Township Administrator to enter into a maintenance agreement for sidewalks constructed for the Dunkin project on Springboro Pike in the Ohio Department of Transportation right of way.

Trustee Morris asked if there had been any further discussion regarding the extension of sidewalks on 741 between Meijer and the top of the hill? Mr. Carlson stated that yes, there are ongoing discussions with the new Parks Plan which involve sidewalk and trail connections.

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- Finance Director Clay McCord presented the following:
  - **Resolution 080-2023** accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.
  - **Resolution 081-2023** to authorize the costs and expenses of a lighting district to be assessed as provided for under the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 515.
- Township Administrator Chris Snyder presented the following:
  - **Resolution 082-2023** to authorize the Township Administrator to execute an agreement with Browning Chapman for criteria engineer services.
- Finance Director Clay McCord presented the following:
  - **Resolution 083-2023** to approve amendments to the appropriation of funds for 2023.
  - **Resolution 084-2023** to approve amendments to the appropriation of funds for 2023.

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**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.

**Matthew Turton, 6600 Jamaica Road**

Mr. Turton stated that the Stoney Hill Wedding Center and Banquet Hall is still holding events, and that noxious weeds are still a problem and had not been taken care of when he left his house. He also stated that the property owner at 6650 Jamaica Road is still housing a commercial truck on agricultural property. Mr. Turton mentioned that he attended the Farm Science Review, hosted by Ohio State, and spoke to members of the farm bureau regarding agritourism.

**Claire Tambe, 2124 Southlea Drive**

Mrs. Tambe stated that there are chickens and roosters at multiple houses in the neighborhood which are attracting coyotes. She stated that this presents a safety concern for children and small animals. She also noted a home in the neighborhood that is setting off fireworks on random weekends, late at night which is not only disrespectful but also presents a safety hazard due to the houses being so close together.

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**Jeffrey Tancreti, 2301 Southlea Dr.**

Mr. Tancreti stated that he would like to change the new fireworks law. His neighbor sets off aerial fireworks whenever the law allows which is covering his vehicle and lawn in gun powder and debris. Mr. Tancreti expressed safety concerns including self-harm, fires, and property damage. He feels aerial fireworks should not be allowed if you are within 500 feet of another home.

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**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS**

**Resolution 077-2023**

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 077-2023 to sell property to a retiring employee.

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 078-2023**

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 078-2023 to declare surplus property and authorize the sale of said property.

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 079-2023**

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 079-2023 to authorize the Township Administrator to enter into a maintenance agreement for sidewalks constructed for the Dunkin project on Springboro Pike in the Ohio Department of Transportation right of way.

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Trustee Posey, Jr.	X			
Trustee Culp	X			

**Resolution 080-2023**

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 080-2023 to accept the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.

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 081-2023**

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 081-2023 to authorize the costs and expenses of a lighting district to be assessed as provided for under the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 515.

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 082-2023**

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 082-2023 to authorize the Township Administrator to execute an agreement with Browning Chapman for criteria engineer services.

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Trustee Culp	X			

**Resolution 083-2023**

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 083-2023 to approve amendments to the appropriation of funds for 2023.

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 084-2023**

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion to approve Resolution 084-2023 to approve amendments to the appropriation of funds for 2023.

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			

**DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS**

Miami Valley Fire District Chief, Brandon Barnett, updated the Trustees on the two federal grants the District recently was awarded from Homeland Security. The grants will allow for the hiring of additional firefighters, new vehicles, ambulance systems, and CPR devices that will allow District employees to perform their jobs more efficiently and safely.

Trustee Posey, Jr. congratulated Chief Barnett on the grants and inquired as to the typical lifespan of an ambulance. Chief Barnett stated that a typical lifespan is 5-8 years and that the vehicles being replaced have been in service for 19 and 21 years respectively.

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Trustee Morris asked for an update on the replacements of fire hydrants. Chief Barnett stated that they hoped to complete the inspections by November 14 so the repairs and replacement can start.

Community Development Director Alex Carlson gave a year-to-date update on Private Investments.

Police Chief Charlie Stiegelmeyer was asked by Trustee Posey, Jr. who the residents should call regarding fireworks complaints. Chief Stiegelmeyer stated that they should call the non-emergency dispatch center.

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**COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

Trustee Terry Posey, Jr. expressed his appreciation to the residents for their feedback and thanked them for coming in and addressing their concerns directly to the Trustees.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion at 6:31PM to go into Executive Session for the purpose of:

- Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action; in accordance with ORC 121.22 (G)(3).
- Considering the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, official, license, or regulated individual, unless the public employe, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing; in accordance with ORC 121.22 (G)(1).

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

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

Trustee Morris motioned, and Trustee Posey, Jr. seconded the motion at 7:26PM to leave Executive Session and return to Regular Session.

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Trustee Culp	X			

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Morris adjourned the meeting at 7:26PM.



Trustee President John Morris

Attested:



Fiscal Officer Greg Clingerman  
October 3, 2023