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The meeting was called to order by the President with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present were as follows:

James Scoby	Alex Turner
Timothy Foley	John Roeder
R. Dean Wells	Barbara Fletcher
Michael Hively	

For additional guests please see sign in sheet.

Motion Dr. Wells, Second Mr. Foley to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2016 Springfield Township Zoning Public Hearing.
Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Foley Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

Motion Mr. Foley, Second Dr. Wells to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2016 Springfield Township Trustees Meeting.
Mr. Foley Yes, Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Road Department- Alex Turner

The brush pick up has completed the first round and a half through the Township.
The compost facility is now open and Ron Bishop is doing very well in managing the facility.
Marc Storm and I have been reviewing the water issue on Ventura, they are reviewing some corrective measures, and he will have more information at the next Trustees meeting.
There is a new farmer who will be harvesting the area behind Vale cemetery and he will be entering from the front of the cemetery. Informed the Trustees that there is a Resolution for the lease for their review and approval.
He inquired if the Trustees had any questions. There were no questions.

Fire & EMS Department- John Roeder

Stated that the Trustees had a Resolution to hire a Paramedic-Fire Fighter by the name of David Douglas.
He then requested that Chief Fairbanks report on the progress of the purchase of the fire truck.

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Chief Fairbanks

Provided the Trustees with a handout (copy in attachments) that provided the dates and information of his discussions with Daniel Sutphen, and on page 2 showed the comparison of the Navistar commercial chassis verses the Sutphen custom chassis as to the specifications required by the Fire Department. This included but not limited to, the height of the chassis for safety issues, the number of people they can get in the cab, head room so the fire fighters can wear their helmets, and space to mount the sirens and radios, dependability of the Maxforce engine, and size of the wheel base. We have exhausted everything we can do at this point the commercial chassis just cannot meet the specifications. He inquired from the Trustees what direction he should pursue, and inquired if a commitment was made to the UAW concerning the purchase of the IH chassis, he requested their direction on how the Department was to proceed.

There were no comments from the Trustees.

Zoning-

No report

Fiscal Officer- Michael Hively

Referred to the Resolution the Trustees had for their review and approval on the \$119,524.90 payment to Community Improvement Corporation, and had confirmed that \$235,000 has been paid for Ridge Road and Prime Ohio II and that the \$119,524.90 was the last payment due.

Inquired if the Trustees had any questions on the Financial Reports. There were no questions.

Motion Dr. Wells, Second Mr. Foley that the Trustees are in receipt of the Appropriation Status, Revenue Summary, and Fund Status Report.

Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Foley Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Wells-Reviewed for the Trustees his Community breakfast meeting as the Township's representative with Pastor Tursic at Risen Christ Church for the exchange of ideas on how the Church could be involved in projects for improvement(s) in the community.

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RESOLUTIONS

Motion Dr. Wells, Second Mr. Foley to approve Resolution #2016-057. To approve Paycor electronic payments for payroll services, and warrants #56029 through #56058 in the amount of \$76,283.83.
Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Foley Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

Motion Dr. Wells, Second Mr. Foley to approve Resolution #2016-058.
Discussion: The word "additional" was voided and replaced with "renewal". Requesting certification from County Auditor pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03 for a renewal of a one (1) mill levy for the purpose of the Fire Equipment Levy.
Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Foley Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

Motion Mr. Foley, Second Dr. Wells to approve Resolution #2016-059. Requesting certification from County Auditor pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03 for an additional one and a half (1.5) mill levy for the purpose of road repair and maintenance.
Mr. Foley Yes, Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

Motion Mr. Foley, Second Dr. Wells to approve Resolution #2016-060. To approve Hiring the Following individual for the Springfield Township Fire Department at a rate of \$16.00 per hour: David H. Douglas-Paramedic.
Mr. Foley Yes, Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

Motion Dr. Wells, Second Mr. Foley to approve Resolution #2016-061. To authorize and approve the final payment in the amount of \$119,524.90 to Community Improvement Corporation for the work done on Ridge Road as part of the Prime Ohio II Project.
Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Foley Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

Motion Dr. Wells, Second Mr. Foley to approve Resolution #2016-062. To authorize and approve entering into a lease with Wayne Foster for the lease of the 11.61 acres of cropland located at the west end of Vale Cemetery commencing on May 1, 2016. Mr. Foster agrees to pay \$1,100.00 as rent for the leased premises.
Discussion-Dr. Wells inquired if the payment of \$1,100.00 is a yearly payment? Mr. Hively- Affirmed that this was a yearly lease, and that payment would be paid each year.
Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Foley Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

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Motion Mr. Foley, Second Dr. Wells to approve Resolution #2016-063. To authorize Chris Heaton the authority to sign on behalf of the Springfield Township Trustees to enter an agreement for EMS Medical Director Services between Springfield Township EMS Department and Emergency Medicine Physicians of Champaign, LTD.
Mr. Foley Yes, Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

Motion Dr. Wells, Second Mr. Foley to approve Resolution #2016-064. To approve entering an Executive session to discuss a Road Department employee's compensation.
Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Foley Yes. Mr. Scoby Yes.

RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

None

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Tammy Randall- Directed her questions to Mr. Scoby who was a Trustee during the string annexation case from 2006. She stated she was concerned that we might have another situation about the string annexation that happened in 2006. There was a large group of people that shared their concerns. The commissioners heard their concerns and agreed it was not a good thing. The case went to court and the decision that the string annexation was not legal. This set the precedence. She stated that for annexation one of the constants that is a stipulation is that the property be contiguous to the municipality whether there was a CEDA (Community Economic Development Agreement) agreement in place or not. She inquired if the Trustees had any new information that would now allow the potential new development or why they are bringing up the development now?

Mr. Scoby- Stated he did not know why they are bringing it up now but he said they have direction from our attorney at the prosecutor's office and he read the content of the email from the Township's attorney:

"Under the Community Economic Development Agreement Phase II, Article 2, Section 9; the township has no standing to challenge the annexation whether a string is used or not. But more than that, the Township agreed to Full and Good Faith Cooperation in annexations. This includes refraining from engaging in opposition to annexation and other things that are specifically stated in Article 2, Section 9 of the CEDA."

The Clark County Commissioners will hold hearings, and then make their decision.

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Tammy Randall- Asked do you have any knowledge of anything moving forward?

Mr. Scoby- The Trustees only have the same information that has appeared in the newspaper.

Karen Brucker- Questioned how the process would proceed with the County Commissioners on making their decision, and how opinions the Trustees as our Representatives or the residents could be presented. Inquired if they had any insights to the process, to express their opinions either for or against this project.

Mr. Scoby –This is directly involving the County Commissioners, and that this issue would go directly to them.

Mr. Hively- According to the CEDA agreement the Trustees cannot speak for or against the project. If a project would develop the County Commissioners have the final say, the Township Trustees do not have any voting power

Gary Dursts- Inquired if the Trustees had any additional information other than what had been provided in the newspaper.

Mr. Scoby- Stated the Trustees did not have any additional information other than what was in the paper.

Julie Taylor- I believe I spoke to Mr. Foley a couple of weeks ago. This has been talked about since August 2015 the same property. Stated that if she understood it correctly the Trustees sold our souls to the Devil with CEDA and inquired that the Township residents now have no say concerning annexation of property based on the CEDA agreement.

Mr. Foley- Made the comment that he did not sign the CEDA agreement.

Mr. Hively – Informed everyone that a Public Records Request could be made for a copy of the CEDA agreement. Back in 2001 the Township was losing land to the City that reduced the tax base not only to the Township but also the school district. With CEDA, to include Prime Ohio I & II and all of Leffel Lane, we now participate in 12.5% of whatever Income Tax the City collects and as the property is improved the higher value increases the amount of dollars received which benefit the Fire and Road Departments. Without CEDA this Township would be in dire straits. So far in 2016 the Township has received \$285,000 in revenue from CEDA for the General Fund.

Ms. Taylor -This does not benefit the residents. Her understanding was that if the property was over one acre it could not be annexed.

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Mr. Hively- Clarified that the City cannot annex residential property without the owner's consent. There is a procedure to be annexed to participate in the City's water and sewer system. The choice is to be annexed then pay the 2 1/2% income tax and pay normal water rates or remain in the township and pay a certain % higher in rates.

Ms. Taylor- Inquired that the potential development will include Section#8 housing.

Mr. Hively - Stated that at this point everything is speculation, and that there are many misconceptions being circulated.

Ms. Taylor- Also stated her concern for the loss of the rural community, and shared that there is a small organization going on, beginning to get signatures, and starting to put signs out.

CLOSING REMARKS BY TRUSTEES & FISCAL OFFICER

There were no closing remarks by the Trustees or Fiscal Officer

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Springfield Township Trustees will be on Tuesday May 10, 2016 beginning at 6:30 PM.

Motion Dr. Wells, Second Mr. Foley to adjourn the Board of Trustees to Executive Session.

Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Foley Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

Motion Dr. Wells, Second Mr. Foley to return the Board of Trustees to Public Session.

Dr. Well Yes, Mr. Foley Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

Motion Mr. Foley, Second Dr. Wells to adjourn the April 26, 2016 Meeting of the Springfield Township Board of Trustees.

Mr. Foley Yes, Dr. Wells Yes, Mr. Scoby Yes.

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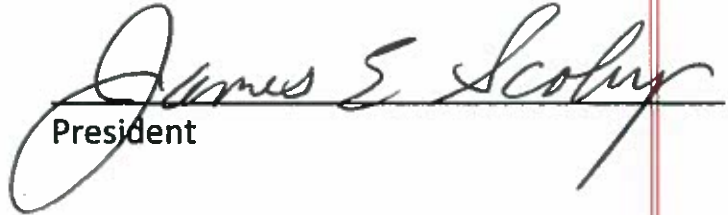
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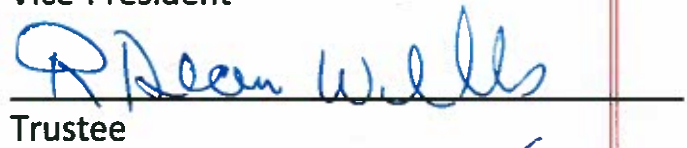
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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:



President

Vice-President



Trustee



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