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**SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES
APRIL 17, 2008**

The Springfield Township Board of Trustees held a meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 17, 2008 at the Springfield Township Town Hall, 2459 Canfield Road, Akron, Ohio. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Dean Young. Bruce Killian, Fiscal Officer called the roll. Mrs. Davis (here); Mr. Mealy (here); Mr. Young (here).

ADMINISTRATIVE

- ADM 103-08 Vince Mealy: I move to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to approve the March 13, 2008 Regular Meeting, March 19, 2008 , April 1, 2008, and April 9, 2008 special meetings. Seconded by Dean Young. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).
- ADM 104-08 Dean Young: I move to approve payment of bills and payroll as prepared by the Fiscal Officer, subject to audit. Seconded by Vince Mealy. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).
- Bruce Killian: Fiscal Officer Report
Starting balance as of March 1 was \$2,776,794.63 including a carryover from 2007 of \$2,313,019.79; receipts were \$847,187.55 and expenses were \$638,890.04 leaving a balance as of March 31 of \$2,985,092.44.
- ADM 105-08 Dean Young: I move to approve the Fiscal Officer's report. Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).
- Announcement: We received confirmation of our BWC premium payment for 2007 with a note that our savings as part of the Ohio Township Association's group rating program totaled \$49,814.59.
- ADM 106-08 Dean Young: I make a motion to approve, per the 2008 Permanent Appropriation Resolution, #086-08, the following transfers are required to fund the various fund lines:

| Amount | From | To | Account |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| \$10,000 | General Fund 01 | Sen. Center Nutrition | Fund 14B |
| \$15,000 | General Fund 01 | Senior Center | Fund 14C |
| \$45,000 | General Fund 01 | Capital Equipment | 21-A-1 Police |
| \$48,000 | General Fund 01 | Capital Equipment | 21-A-2 Fire |
| \$25,000 | General Fund 01 | Capital Equipment | 21-A-3 Road |
| \$50,000 | General Fund 01 | Capital Improvements | Fund 26 |

Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

- ADM 107-08 Vince Mealy: I move to approve the Revised Policy Manual. Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

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- ADM 108-08 Dean Young: I move to approve repayment of monies advanced to Fund 09 Police Department from General Fund 01 as approved by Board Resolution #034-08 in the amount of \$13,616.55. This money was advanced to pay Police share of BWC premium prior to approval of Permanent Appropriation Resolution. Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).
- ADM 109-08 Vince Mealy: I move to approve a Resolution asking the Summit County Fiscal Officer to certify the total current tax valuation of the Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the renewal of the existing 1.0 mill tax levy for the Springfield Township Highway Department. Seconded by Dean Young. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).
- ADM 110-08 Dean Young: I move to approve a Resolution asking the Summit County Fiscal Officer to certify the total current tax valuation of the Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a replacement levy combining two existing continuing levies for a total millage of 1.9 mills for police operations. Seconded by Vince Mealy. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).
- ADM 111-08 Deborah Davis: In an effort to improve the Lakefront Park, the Board instructed Mr. Kaylor to obtain three quotes for a gazebo to be built to be used not only for Township functions, but also for use by residents as available. After reviewing the quotes, I move to approve construction of the gazebo for an amount not to exceed \$46,000 from Fund 01-F-04 and award the contract to Americraft, 1147 West Maple, Hartville, Ohio. Seconded by Dean Young. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).
- ADM 112-08 Dean Young: At a recent Bicentennial Committee meeting, it was noted by the members that the gazebo would be completed for use this Summer and it was suggested that the gazebo be dedicated at the Bicentennial Celebration on August 2nd as part of the day's events. I, therefore move to dedicate the gazebo at the Bicentennial. Seconded by Vince Mealy. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).
- ADM 113-08 Dean Young: I move to seek bids for extending the parking area at the Senior Center and lakefront across from Fire Station. Seconded by Vince Mealy. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).
- ADM 114-08 Dean Young: I move to approve a resolution to support Springfield/Lakemore Community Days by appropriating a special events fund to be identified as General Fund Parks fund line 01-F-08A to underwrite Springfield's contribution to Community Days event in the amount of \$10,000. Seconded by Vince Mealy. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).
- ADM 115-08 Vince Mealy : I move to approve an appropriate start-up fund to be identified as Police Department fund line 09-A-08D for filing fees and to purchase uniforms for Voluntary Auxiliary of the Springfield Police Inc. in the amount of \$3,250.00. This amount to be transferred from the General Fund to the Police Fund. Seconded by Dean Young. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

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ADM 116-08 Dean Young: I move to consider the Waterloo Road sewer extension. Seconded by Deborah Davis.
Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief, John Smith, gave the monthly Police Department report. _

| Total Monthly Calls | Physical Risk Calls | Offenses Reported | Offenses Cleared | Arrests Made | Outstanding Warrants Issues | Traffic Crash Reports | Citations Issued | OMVI |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------|
| 1,221 | 534 | 300 | 154 | 69 | 5 | 37 | 117 | 15 |

Training:

| Inter-Department Training | Outside Agency Training | SWAT |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| - | 96 hours | 8 hours |

Community Services

| Special Details | Animal Calls | Vehicle Lockouts | Civil Matters | Child Custody Complaints | Senior Checks | Welfare Checks | Current Neighborhood Watch Groups | Disabled or Abandon Vehicles |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 87 | 24 | 43 | 12 | 3 | 35 | 13 | 39 | 14 |

POLICE 117-08 Vince Mealy : I move to accept the resignation from part time data entry clerk, Ginger Gray, effective April 7, 2008. Seconded by Dean Young. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

POLICE 118-08 Deborah Davis: I move to change the status of part time data entry clerk, Gwendolyn Stafford, to on call status, effective April 1, 2008. Gwendolyn has accepted a full time position with the village of Lakemore. Seconded by Dean Young. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

POLICE 119-08 Vince Mealy: I move to place an order with Statewide Ford Lincoln Mercury for two 2008 Crown Victoria Police Package vehicles at the state bid quoted priced not to exceed \$26,000 each, for a total of not more than \$52,000.00. Fund lines will be \$45,000 from line 21-A1 police equipment, and \$7,000 from line 14A-O-4-A, police tools and equipment. Seconded by Dean Young. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

John Smith

Announcements:

- Thanks to the Willows Mobile Home Park Craft Club for the continued support they offer to us. Once again, they are

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the main reason we are able to continue our Easter Egg Hunt from year to year. This year the volunteers stuffed over 5,000 plastic eggs with candy for the children to enjoy. Without their assistance, we would have a difficult time getting that many eggs stuffed.

- On the topic of our Easter Egg Hunt, a special thanks to our Fire Chief and his department for volunteering to help with the set up of the grounds for the Easter Egg Hunt. Even though we had to reschedule the date of the hunt twice, we had a great turnout that day. Also, I would like to thank all three Trustees for donating three new bicycles, one for each age group, that were handed out as prizes. In each age group, one egg contained the grand prize. The Trustees went together and purchased these prizes out of their own pockets for the children. We certainly appreciate all the community support for this event year after year.
- All Purpose Vehicle use on streets. BMV Web Site - rules for operating on road. Have a driver's license and register with BMV.
- Curfew for kids will be in effect: 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Know where your kids are.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief, Vic Wincik, gave the monthly Fire Department report.

| Calls | EMS | Fire Calls | Mutual Aid Given | Mutual Aid Rec'd. | Avg. Response Time | Avg. On Scene Time | Avg. Turn Around |
|-------|-----|------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 189 | 167 | 22 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 14 | 24 |

Also conducted:

| Dept. Mtg/ Project | EMS/Fire Related Training | Inspections | Public Education/ Community Service | Work Detail | Crew & Equipment Reassignment | Vehicle & Equipment Maintenance & Testing | PPE & Gear Testing |
|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------------|
| 35 | 8 | 12 | 2 | 36 | 76 | 52 | 37 |

Announcements:

- Will be starting 2008 Smoke Detector Initiative.
- Ambulance Committee placed an order for a new ambulance, delivery in June.
- Fire Engine Committee working on apparatus replacement.

FIRE 120-08 Vince Mealy: I move to continue with a Federal Emergency Management Agency fire grant application totaling \$1,002,751 with a Township match of 5% or \$50,137.55. Seconded by Dean Young. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

FIRE 121-08 Dean Young: I move to continue with an Ohio Department of Public Safety grant completed by

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Captain Simich with a non-matching amount determined and awarded by the State. Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

FIRE 122-08 Vince Mealy: I move to authorize Sutphen Towers, Inc. to complete the annual ladder inspection costing an estimated \$1,100. Seconded by Dean Young. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

FIRE 123-08 Dean Young: I move to accept the resignation of part time firefighter, Tony Rowe, effective April 11, 2008. Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

FIRE 124-08 Dean Young: I move to amend motion #047-08 to reflect increase in cost of roof repair at Station #2 from \$1,800 to \$2,500. Seconded by Vince Mealy. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

SENIOR CENTER

S/C 125-08 Dean Young: I move to approve Dennis Painting, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio for power washing and staining the swings, wooden posts & wooden deck, all decking, and four tables in the amount of \$1,580.00 at the Senior Center. Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Road Superintendent, Richard Kaylor, gave the monthly Road Department report. We have started patching the roads and used 835 gallons of HFRS emulsion along with 40 tons of #8 limestone. We have also used 16 tons of patching material. We will be starting the request for service such as ditching and replacing drives as soon as we can. The Alexander property has been leveled and seeded. In order to meet the Phase II requirements, we have installed two sediment traps which are depressions which will hold water during rain events and keep sediment on site. Phase II - Trustee Mealy and myself went to a P.I.P.E. (Public Involvement Public Education) meeting and found out that the largest storm water pollutant is sediment, silt, mud. What happens as the muddy water is running over the ground, it picks up other pollutants such as hydrocarbons, nitrogen, arsenic, benzene, chromium, diesel fuel, formaldehyde, gasoline, lead, mercury, PCB's, Pesticides, Solvents, and fecal matter.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

Zoning Administrator, Nick Campanelli, gave the monthly Zoning Department report. The Zoning Department completed 38 complaint investigations. 17 of the investigations were nuisance related to include 15 trash and/or debris and 2 structures. 21 of the investigations were zoning related to include 7 vehicles, 5 signs, 5 site regulations, 3 use regulations, and 1 land disturbance. The Zoning Department prepared 17 zoning permits. 4 of the permits were residential to include 1 single family dwelling, 2 additions and 1 accessory building. 13 of the permits were commercial to include 1 accessory building, 1 temporary structure, 1 certificate of occupancy, 4 temporary signs, and 6 permanent signs. The Zoning Department completed 20 construction follow up inspections. The Board of Zoning Appeals met once and heard 1 case and the Zoning Commission met once.

ZONING 126-08 Vince Mealy: I move to declare the property at 1487 Canton Road a nuisance and to initiate abatement under the provisions of Ohio Revised Code, Section 505.87. Dean Young: Is there anyone present to speak on this matter? No response. Seconded by Dean Young. Roll Call: Deborah Davis

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(yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

ZONING 127-08 Dean Young: I move to certify the total cost for the abatements of the following nuisance properties and to instruct the Fiscal Officer to forward to the Summit County Auditor, "The Report of Township Action Regarding Abatement," for the total costs to be placed upon the tax duplicate as a lien upon the land:
- Property: Garage lot property, Tritt Ave., Akron, \$905.84
- Property: 1026 Mohawk Tr., Akron, Oh 44312 \$4,025.84
Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

ZONING 128-08 Vince Mealy: I move to accept the resignation effective June 2, 2008 of Zoning Secretary, Kim McTague. Seconded by Dean Young. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dean Young:

- Township is once again providing residential yard waste drop off at Earth 'n Wood on Arlington Street. Stop by the front office here at Town Hall and provide proof of residency. We will issue you a card that will allow you to dispose of yard waste through November 30th at no charge.
- Springfield Township Historical Society will meet Monday, April 21, at 7:00 p.m. here in the Town hall to elect officers and make plans for the Bicentennial Open House.
- State Representative of the 43rd District, Stephen Dyer, will hold a Town Hall meeting here on Monday, April 28, at 7:30 p.m. Residents are invited to stop by and share their concerns.
- Friends of the Springfield/Lakemore Library Fund-Raiser 'Love to Hate Those Yankees' event to be held Sunday, April 27, 2008 at the Springfield Firehouse Grill on Canton Road, beginning at 12:30. \$25.00 per person donation required; includes a buffet and beverages. Tickets are available at the front office here at Town Hall.
- Springfield/Lakemore Community Days will be held Friday July 18, Saturday, July 19, and Sunday June 20 at Springfield Lake. A Town Hall Open House, festival events, entertainment, food, and fireworks are planned along with the Boat Regatta returning to Springfield Lake this year.
- Springfield Township will celebrate its 200th birthday on August 2nd here at the lakefront. There will be free hot dogs and soft drinks, along with birthday cake for all who attend. Plans for a water ski show, a special Indian blessing of the Lake by various North American Indian tribes, and an Open House by the Township's Historical Society are being finalized, as well as an evening Fireworks show by the Lake at the conclusion of the day's activities. Although there will be no sales that day, local businesses and organizations will have booths set up to pass out informational materials of interest...so save the date for Saturday, August 2nd, and plan to celebrate this once in our lifetime event. For further information, contact Bicentennial Chairman Nancy Rodrigues at 330-733-4335 or Vice Chairman, Clyde McGee at 330-784-5361.

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Vince Mealy:

- The light at Killian & Pickle will be coming soon.
- We have had a tremendous response to the survey.

Deborah Davis:

- 4 wheelers and dirt bikes can be a problem in our parks and ball fields.
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection, Saturday, June 14, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. till noon.

PUBLIC INPUT

Michael Nance, Killian Road

At the last Trustee's Meeting, I felt I was being personally attacked. For the people who say that I am here to make a buck, and that this was a done deal, I really wish you would get your facts straight.

Dean Young

In response, I want you to know we appreciate your efforts, and we encourage other people to step forward and contribute to the community.

Mary Miller, owns property in Sawyerwood

First of all, I want to say we have the best Police, Fire, and Road Departments. I am happy to see Sawyerwood come alive again. Let's cooperate with this young man.

Robert Johnson, 424 Broadview Road

I brought it up last year regarding the pipe in the road bring too small. We still keep getting flooded out.

Jerry Hallman, Mingo Trail

Alexander Park looks good. Are you going to try to do anything to keep people out as far as ATV's. Dick Kaylor: I do plan on mounting some dirt across the front and put a cable across. Jerry Hallman: Can I make a suggestion. You have some guard rail posts over there. Could you maybe dig some holes and put them in so vehicles could not get in? Dick Kaylor: The man hours is what hurts me. That is a good suggestion. I'll see what we can do.

ADM 129-08

Dean Young: I move to approve an amount not to exceed \$2,500 from Fund 01-F-02, Improvement of Sights, for grading and seeding of Alexander Field. Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

Elva Pounders

Thanks for all the work done at Alexander Park.
April 26, we are having Sawyerwood Clean Up Day.
I give Mr. Nance credit for his work at Sawyerwood School.

Bobby Dinkons, Northview

I commend Mr. Nance on what he is trying to do. Mr. Nance stated he was not trying to make money. Making money is okay. If you make money, you employ people. I hope you make money on it.

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Nora Rice

- I read in the paper about ‘Rock the Docks.’ I heard your motion tonight to extend \$10,000 as seed money. Could you explain what that does. Dean Young: The plan is to provide musical entertainment on both sides. Also, we plan to have fireworks. Fee for renting inflatables, costs for the car cruise in. Those are the major items.
- Also, are the beer gardens going to be on Township property? Vince Mealy: We have talked about the Firehouse Grill to supply ribs, chicken, and beer at the Senior Center. We are not 100% sure of that, and we are having considerable discussion.
- A guy is living in a camper parked at the end of Canfield Road.
- I question why on April 3rd, you had a public meeting regarding zoning at 3:30 p.m.
- I am not in favor of increasing parking at the lake front.
- In the March 19th minutes, you awarded mowing as \$525 per mow. Mow what?...you need to be more specific.
- I understand you hired an attorney for the Township from Dean Young’s firm. Dean Young: I need to clarify that. It is not somebody in my firm. This individual, at one time, was a law student that worked for me. After he became an attorney, he never worked for me.

ADM 130-08 Vince Mealy: I move we go into Executive Session to consider Zoning Department hiring of personnel. Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

The Board went into Executive Session at 9:10 p.m.
The Regular Meeting resumed at 10:25 p.m.

ADM 131-08 Vince Mealy: I move to authorize the Zoning Administrator to advertise for a full-time secretarial employee in the Zoning Department with additional duties as directed by the Trustees. Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

ADM 131-08 _____ Vince Mealy: I move to adjourn. Seconded by Deborah Davis. Roll Call: Deborah Davis (yes); Vince Mealy (yes); Dean Young (yes).

Dean Young, Chairman
Deborah Davis, Trustee

Vince Mealy, Vice Chairman
Bruce Killian, Fiscal Officer

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