
**SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
APRIL 28, 2016
MINUTES**

The Springfield Township Board of Trustees held a meeting Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Springfield Township Town Hall, 2459 Canfield Road, Akron, Ohio.

The meeting was called to order by Dean Young. Patty Price, Secretary, called the roll. Roll Call: Mr. Young (here); Mr. DiLauro (here); Deborah Davis was absent.

PRESENTATION; DRUG TAKE BACK DAY

Judge Joy Oldfield, Akron Municipal Court

- Saturday, April 30, 2016 from 10am - 2pm at Springfield Police Department.

Robert Bonto, 1885 Krumroy Road was present and asked to speak. I would like to comment on the Fire Department motion listed on tonight's agenda to send three firefighter-paramedics to Fire Officer Leadership Course. In my opinion, it is a waste of money. I also have a two page letter I would like to read regarding the Fire Department levy.

Dean Young: Mr. Bonto, we will give you time at the end of the meeting once the motions are made to read your letter.

ADMINISTRATIVE

ADM 100-16 Dean Young: I move to dispense with reading of the minutes and approve the minutes to date. Seconded by: Joe DiLauro. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).

ADM 101-16 Dean Young: I move to approve payment of bills and payroll as prepared by the Fiscal Officer, subject to audit. Seconded by: Joe DiLauro. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).

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- ADM 102-16** **Dean Young: I move to advance \$100,000 to Police Department Fund 2081-941 from General Fund 1000-920-920. Seconded by: Joe DiLauro. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).**
- ADM 103-16** **Dean Young: I move to transfer \$10,000 to Senior Center Fund 2901 from General Fund 1000. Seconded by: Joe DiLauro. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).**
- ADM 104-16** **Dean Young: I move to set a special meeting Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 12:00 noon. Seconded by: Joe DiLauro. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).**

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- FIRE 105-16** **Dean Young: I move to TABLE the expenditure of \$3,100 to enroll three full time firefighter-paramedics to attend the University of Akron, Fire Officer Leadership Course, paid through fund line 2281-230-500, BC-108. Seconded by: Joe DiLauro. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).**
- FIRE 106-16** **Dean Young: I move to approve the expenditure of \$1,510 to Western Reserve Printing for the development and printing of emergency medical run reports, and paid for through fund line 2281-230-420, BC-105. Seconded by: Joe DiLauro. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).**

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- POLICE 107-16** **Joe DiLauro: I move to approve the payment of \$1,896.27 to OMG National for 2016 community policing supplies, with 20% of the total to be billed to the Village of Lakemore. The**

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BC number is 80, and fund line is 2081-210-420-1001, community policing. Seconded by: Dean Young. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).

POLICE 108-16 Joe DiLauro: I move to remove part time officer, Zachary Sherbourne, from probationary status and move to regular part time status at pay rate of \$17.74, effective May 20, 2016. Seconded by: Dean Young. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).

ROAD DEPARTMENT

- No motions.

PARKS DEPARTMENT

PARKS 109-16 Joe DiLauro: I move to close Canfield Road Saturday, May 7, from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm for 'Bark in the Park.' Seconded by: Dean Young. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).

PARKS 110-16 Joe DiLauro : I move to close Canfield Road/Boat Launch for the following: (1) Close Canfield Road for the Concert Series every Friday from June 3 thru August 12 from 5:00 pm to 9:30 pm, and Sunday August 14 from 4:00 pm to 8:30 pm. (2) Close Canfield Road for 'Rock the Docks' Wednesday, June 22 thru Sunday, June 26 starting at 4:30 pm and ending Sunday at 9:00 pm. (3) Close boat launch for 'Rock the Docks' Friday, June 24, 12:00 noon till Sunday, June 26 at 9:00 pm. Seconded by: Dean Young. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).

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PARKS 111-16 **Joe DiLauro: I move to approve Springfield Lakemore Festival Committee be granted consent for use of the Lake Front Park to conduct 'Rock the Docks' June 22 through June 26. Seconded by: Dean Young. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).**

ZONING DEPARTMENT

-No motions-

ADM 112-16 **Dean Young: I move to adjust the provision for legal services previously approved on December 28, 2015. Effective May 1, 2016 legal services that are provided to this Board at the direction of the Trustees by the firm of Brouse & McDowell with Attorney Irv Sugerman shall be paid at the rate \$150/hour without any base retainer payable per month. Seconded by Joe DiLauro. Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes).**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Veteran's Memorial Day - Services Sunday, May 29, 2016.**
- **Trustee Meeting, Thursday, May 5, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. The Board has requested a presentation for trash hauler service for the Township.**

Robert Bonto read a two page letter (attached) addressed to the Board regarding levies.

Dean Young: Thank you for your interest in the Fire Department. So far, this Board has not made up their mind regarding the issue of the levies.

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**ADM 113-16 Dean Young: I move to adjourn. Seconded by Joe DiLauro.
Roll Call: Mr. Young (yes); Mr. DiLauro (yes)**



Dean Young, Chairman



Joe DiLauro, Vice Chairman

ATTEST

(Absent)
Deborah Davis, Trustee

(Absent)
Sharon Harms, Fiscal Officer

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Minutes prepared by Patty Price

I am here to speak about the FD levies and the FD.

Reading the April 22nd article in the South Side leader, the board is considering two levies on the ballot. 1 for a 2mill renewal with a1 mill additional & 1 for just a 2 mill renewal. The board needs to stop taking pages from the Coventry play book by placing renewal levies with additional funds. It has not been successful in Coventry and it has not been successful here either. As the levy in March was defeated.

I would like to suggest that the board place just a renewal levy on the ballot, if you want additional funds, put an additional levy on the ballot & let the voters decide if they want to support it. Renewal only levies stand a much better chance of passing.

Now in regards to the FD, prior to the March primary where you had the renewal levy and additional mill on the ballot, there were several articles in the South Side leader, The Suburbanite & the ABJ by Vic stating why he needed additional funds. In 1 article, Vic stated that “he had deferred maintenance on the fire trucks & squads” and at 1 time he had 50 people on the dept. After reading that, my wife & I refused to vote for the levy as Vic has his priority’s totally screwed up!

You never ever defer maintenance on your FT’s & Squads; they are the lifeline for this dept. When I served on the FD and Bob Feigert was the chief, every year all the FT’s & squads were taken in for a complete yearly maintenance. We never ever had any FT or squad not start or break down on the way to a fire call or ems call. This is more than I can say when the old FT broke down going on a fire call, which was well documented.

Need I remind you that every company, business, resident and visitor in the township depend on the FD if they are needed to respond immediately when called. But lately the mind-set by Vic is to defer or delay maintenance until it is broken and then it must be repaired or replaced at a much higher cost. How would you feel if one of your loved ones house was on fire and someone was trapped, but

the FT responding broke down? Due to lack of maintenance? It has become very apparent that maintenance has become an afterthought under Vic's leadership.

Then in the April 22nd South Side leader, I read where Vic submitted a request to send 6 FF's to some frivolous leadership conference at the Univ. of Akron for \$6,000, but the motion was tabled for more information. After reading that, my blood was boiling!!! What a total waste of tax payer's money! Do they not receive any leadership training? This ridiculous request needs to be rescinded and cancelled altogether.

The board is supposed to be the Stewarts of the taxpayer's money, but we have an overabundance of tax payer's money going for wages and benefits for all the full time personal and requests for frivolous spending. The FD got into the hole by hiring all the full time people.

I would like to propose that a citizen review committee be formed to do a top to bottom review of the fire dept. budget. I will gladly volunteer to be on this committee.

National Drug Take Back Day

Saturday, April 30, 2016
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT	SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT	2465 CANFIELD ROAD	AKRON	OH, 44312	0 miles. Map
SUMMA HEALTH SYSTEM	SUMMA HEALTH CENTER EMERGENCY ROOM AT GREEN	1825 FRANKS PKWY	UNIONTOWN	OH, 44685	4 miles. Map
TALLMADGE POLICE DEPARTMENT	TALLMADGE POLICE DEPARTMENT	53 NORTHEAST AVE	TALLMADGE	OH, 44278	6 miles. Map
SUMMIT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE / DRUG UNIT	CITY OF GREEN SHERIFF'S DISTRICT 3 OFFICE	393 EAST TURKEYFOOT LAKE RD	AKRON	OH, 44319	5 miles. Map
AKRON POLICE DEPARTMENT	AKRON METRO REGIONAL TRANSIT CENTER VISITOR'S PARKING LOT	631 S BROADWAY STREET	AKRON	OH, 44311	6 miles. Map
SUMMA HEALTH SYSTEM	SUMMA BARBERTON HOSPITAL	155 FIFTH ST	BARBERTON	OH, 44203	10 miles. Map
BARBERTON POLICE DEPARTMENT	THE OLD FIRST MERIT BUILDING	480 WEST TUSCAWARAS	BARBERTON	OH, 44203	10 miles. Map
KENT POLICE DEPARTMENT	KENT POLICE DEPARTMENT PARKING LOT	319 S. WATER ST.	KENT	OH, 44240	11 miles. Map
BRIMFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT	BRIMFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT	1287 TALLMADGE RD	KENT	OH, 44240	11 miles. Map
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