

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
SAYBROOK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES**

Minutes of

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

SEPTEMBER 28, 2010

Held _____ 20 _____

The Regular Meeting of the Saybrook Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairperson Robert Brobst; with Trustees Norman Jepson and Jane Hawn-Jackson, Fiscal Officer Marc D. Pope, Fire Chief John Jyurovat, Zoning Inspector Robert Vaughn and members of the public Rosalie Keller, Tony Korzun, Dave Hawley, Bob Loudermilk, Robert Agey, Betsy Agey, Kathleen Kennedy, Keith Bartlett, Bob Brobst, Jan Moeller, Gene Moeller, Linda Coblitz, Joyce Crease, Greg Strnisa, Jeff Hodgkinson, Janet Vettel and County Commissioner and resident Peggy Carlo in attendance at the Saybrook Township Administrative Offices, 7247 Center Road, Saybrook Township, Ohio 44004.

The following minutes reflect action taken by this Board. The recording of this meeting is on file at the Administrative Office. More detailed information can be obtained by listening to it at the Saybrook Township Administrative Office (file #43) or, upon request, it can be copied onto a CD at the current cost of the CD.

Chairperson Robert Brobst led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Fiscal Officer Marc Pope stated that the meeting was being recorded for record purposes only, if anyone else is recording, please so state for the record. No one stated they were recording.

#1 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to dispense with the reading of the following Minutes:

September 14, 2010, Regular Meeting
September 21, 2010, Safety Meeting

Roll Call Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
 Norman Jepson Yes
 Robert Brobst Yes

#2 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to approve the following Minutes:

September 14, 2010, Regular Meeting

Roll Call Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
 Norman Jepson Yes
 Robert Brobst Yes

#3 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to receive for record purposes only the following Minutes with Marc Pope's change that it was Station 2 that was inspected.

September 21, 2010, Safety Meeting

Roll Call Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
 Norman Jepson Yes
 Robert Brobst Yes

FISCAL REPORT

Fiscal Officer Marc Pope read the Fiscal Officer's Report.

#4 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to approve the following Warrants:

#52361 - #52459, Check #52322 and #52337 were voided

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Roll Call Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
Norman Jepson Yes
Robert Brobst Yes

#5 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to approve the following Then and Now Certificates over \$3,000.00:

Koski Construction	5,487.96
Kinder Morgan Bulk Terminals	4,238.99
Key Bank	3,052.81

Roll Call Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
Norman Jepson Yes
Robert Brobst Yes

#6 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to approve the following Purchase Orders:

Koski Construction	5,487.96	Eastdale Overhead Door	4,970.00
Kinder Morgan Bulk Term.	4,238.99	W.S.A. (Weather Sealco)	6,866.00
Key Bank	3,052.81	Nolan Door	3,742.00
Truckmen Truck Services	1,843.34		

Roll Call Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
Norman Jepson Yes
Robert Brobst Yes

#7 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to approve a Intra-fund Transfer from General Fund to Fire Fund for \$15,589.00 for NOPEC Grant and send to Prosecutor for approval.

Roll Call Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
Norman Jepson Yes
Robert Brobst Yes

For the Record - As recommended by the State Auditors, a copy of the System Status, Appropriations Status, Receipt Account Status, Fund Status and Pending Warrants are attached to this report. The previous Month End was passed out earlier for your review.

The following is a list of the un-audited balances after tonight's bills have been paid:

Total Cash Balance:	1,954,990.39
Current Investment Accounts:	1,467,127.56
Current Checking Account:	487,862.83

#8 Norman Jepson moved, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to receive the Fiscal Officer's Report, a copy of which can be found in the Addendum.

Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
Norman Jepson Yes
Robert Brobst Yes

ROAD REPORT

Road Superintendent Marc Pope read the Road Report.

#9 Norman Jepson moved, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to receive the Road Report, a copy of which can be found in the Addendum.

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Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
Norman Jepson Yes
Robert Brobst Yes

ZONING REPORT

Zoning Inspector Robert Vaughn read the Zoning Report.

#10 Jane Hawn-Jackson moved, seconded by Norman Jepson to receive the Zoning Report, a copy of which can be found in the Addendum.

Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
Norman Jepson Yes
Robert Brobst Yes

FIRE REPORT

Fire Chief John Jyurovat read the Fire Report.

#11 Jane Hawn-Jackson moved, seconded by Norman Jepson to receive the Fire Report, a copy of which can be found in the Addendum.

Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
Norman Jepson Yes
Robert Brobst Yes

#12 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to approve and pay for Captain Dave Whitaker and Full time Firefighter Gary Van Norman to take the A.C.L.S. Class at UH Conneaut Medical Center on October 29, 2010 at a cost of \$60.00 each plus \$46.00 each for books and CD.

Roll Call Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
Norman Jepson Yes
Robert Brobst Yes

WATER RESCUE REPORT

Fire Chief John Jyurovat read the Water Rescue Report.

In the past, the County Dive Teams take turns in hosting the Water Rescue training sessions and the host provides food and pays for it. The Board agreed that Saybrook should take its turn in the rotation for hosting the trainings and to pay for the food.

#13 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to modify Resolution #10081015 for Marc Radio Use Agreement to be a two year non-automatic renewal, starting when the radio is activated.

Roll Call Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
Norman Jepson Yes
Robert Brobst Yes

#14 Norman Jepson moved, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to receive the Water Rescue Report, a copy of which can be found in the Addendum.

Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
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SAFETY

MSDS Online Proposal for additional services Safety Officer said it was not necessary. We won't be able to attend, however we need to schedule one here for Road/Fire and open to other entities.

Chainsaw Safety Course is October 1, 2010 at 9:00 am to noon at the Monroe Township Fire Department.

PUBLIC

For the record – E-mail from Resident who is concerned about drag racing on Washington Boulevard and feels he's gotten no response from the Sheriff Department or the Highway Patrol.

Gene Moeller of Tuttle Road asked if the Board has reviewed the final construction plan to the County Engineer of the proposed cul-de-sac on Tuttle Road and why is the project so large? It lends itself to commercial/industrial use with its size. He asked if the Board will limit the size of the cul-de-sac? What is the turning radius of a fire truck – curb cut? Will you allow curb cuts, signs and lights? He is against anything that will allow this drive to be used by trucks.

Linda Coblitz spoke about the Ashtabula City School's 2 levies that will be on the November ballot and requested endorsement of the levies by the Trustees.

Jan Moeller would not like curb cut in the cul-de-sac at the end of Tuttle Road and asked how the Trustees felt about it. She agreed with her husband and does not want a cul-de-sac this large.

Bill Davis stated that the trucks going to the dump are very heavy and overloaded.

Kathleen Kennedy asked if five properties in East Geneva Lakelands could be added to the waiting list of properties to be demolished.

Greg Strmisa stated his concerns with the County Plumbing Inspector applying pressure for him to correct items that he has no right to look at when he came to his house for an inspection.

Jeff Hodgkinson works for an alarm/home protection business and would be glad to help anyone with home security.

Keith Bartlett asked if there were any updates on police protection.

Trustee Jane Hawn-Jackson read the follow statement:

Recently, a radio personality had his sister's home robbed and due to his coverage of the current lack of law enforcement, we had more residents and non-residents at our last meeting. Several issues pertaining to the law enforcement were discussed and some citizens expressed their disappointment with the sheriff's Department while others questioned what if anything Saybrook could do or should do about the situation. Other residents were adamantly opposed to the Saybrook Township spending money on law enforcement. However one misconception that was clearly raised from the meeting was the idea that Saybrook has money that could afford to pay extra for law enforcement.

For the record Saybrook's budget is already committed to existing projects and any savings Saybrook has is being held for township emergencies since the legislation has

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reduced all townships ability to receive income and Saybrook will not have the income it has had in the past with the legislative change of inheritance taxes. If the residents of Saybrook want to have law enforcement, that will require additional money of our voters or Saybrook will be in the same situation as the county.

However, Saybrook Township Trustees are repeatedly asked by Saybrook residents who are primarily county employees or their relatives, what are the Trustees intentions regarding law enforcement in light of the Sheriff's lay off of his road patrol

For the record, it should be noted that the Saybrook Trustees were first appealed to for money by the County Commissioners and the sheriff along with all the Township Trustees prior to the sales taxes levy being placed on the ballot. More money was sought from Saybrook and Ashtabula based upon their budgets and due to Saybrook's good fiscal management. Saybrook along with every other township unanimously refused to donate township money to the county's budget for the Sheriff's Department.

Next, the Saybrook Trustees were asked to organize our fellow trustees and promote the sales tax levy. Saybrook declined as it does not believe in sponsoring levies it has no control over. Further, although each Trustee individually believed the county sales tax levy to be the most equitable levy as it would tax visitors to Ashtabula County and all residents equally not just property owners, we did not promote the county levy as we believed it was beyond the scope of our authority as well as inappropriate to tell residents of other townships how to vote.

Subsequently, the Saybrook Trustees were asked to sponsor a levy like Ashtabula Township when Ashtabula Township placed their levy on the ballot. Again the Saybrook Trustees declined in sponsoring a levy because Saybrook believed a competing levy would jeopardize the pending county levy. Also if two levies passed it would have unfairly doubled the Saybrook residents' taxes.

Instead we sponsored our own levies for road and fire. We are very gratefully to our residents for passing both levies during these difficult times and we committed to trying to provide the best services as a result of these levies success.

Correspondingly, we did inquire of our citizens as to their wishes regarding law enforcement. As a whole the residents have not shown much of an interest in the issue and of those who have contacted us, the majority have indicated that they do not want an additional levy for law enforcement. On the hand, there were a few citizens who have indicated an interest in a law enforcement levy. These individuals consist almost entirely of elected county officials, county employees and/or their relatives.

Therefore, the Trustees then had the option of placing what appeared to be a doomed levy for law enforcement on the fall ballot no later than August 1, 2010 which would not have allowed the Trustees sufficient time to deliberate and obtain a contract defining the terms of service for any law enforcement agency or to decide which agency.

Consequently, we the Trustees felt more time was necessary in order to address the issue and the fears raised by our residents regarding a levy.

Accordingly, we held a meeting and had discussion pertaining to the potential cost and requirements of starting our own police department. We also obtained bids from the Sheriff's Department, the Ashtabula Police Department and Geneva City Police Department. And lastly, we obtained contracts from other counties pertaining

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to their contracts with law enforcement agencies, in order to address our resident's concerns.

These concerns include: 1) the Township's ability to provide oversight with the law enforcement agency it chooses; 2) whether any additional services would be offered to the residents in light of the additional cost for the levy; 3) whether the designated boundaries would be exclusive; 4) how mutual aid would and should be defined; 5) which law enforcement entity would best serve our residents and not invite litigation; 6) whether a grant and/or police district with a neighboring township would be more cost effective. (Or in other words, would the voters consider a one mill levy as opposed to a two mill levy)

Saybrook is continuing to investigate these issues and we remain open to considering a future law enforcement levy. To that end Saybrook will continue to take its direction from its residents and not any specific political group. Lastly, Saybrook will not be advancing any monies to the county for law enforcement this year and the appropriate county officials should plan their department budgets accordingly.

Janet Vettel stated that she attended the meeting (a private group concerning police protection in Saybrook) last week and that it was a good meeting. There was no stone throwing. People are concerned about police protection in Saybrook.

Joyce Crease stated she is happy that the residents want to be involved but everyone should be working together and that the Trustees should take control of this situation, give us an option for a contract and levy and let the residents vote.

Peggy Carlo stated that she would like everyone to work together.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Hawn-Jackson will talk to the Prosecutor regarding the telecommunication towers letter that was sent and have still received no response from but must have this information to proceed with new zoning text.

#15 Jane Hawn-Jackson moved resolution, seconded by Norman Jepson to modify the dates of the McKenna Associates contract for the finalizing of the Zoning Resolution Update to March 2011.

Roll Call Voting:	Jane Hawn-Jackson	Yes
	Norman Jepson	Yes
	Robert Brobst	Yes

For the record – The Ashtabula Township's contract with the Sheriff, County Auditor has received no money as of September 27, 2010.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Station 1 Rehab Committee is being worked on by Trustee Brobst.

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE ALL FOR THE RECORD (All of which can be found in the Addendum)

- Code Red Certificates of Completion for Code Red System Training for Lori Punkar and Joyce Crease
- Profiles Breakfasts schedule from Sept. 1, 2010 – May 4, 2011 at Kent State
- APMC Community Leaders Forum is 10-12-010 at 5:30 PM at APMC
- OTARMA seeking nominations for candidates to be elected to the Board

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- Thank you from a resident to Road Department for picking up limbs
- 2010 Jack Doheny Ohio Public Works Equipment Show is 10-14-10 at 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Notice to employees regarding flu shot was posted and put in the 9-23-10 paychecks
- Ohio RCAP Utility Management Training for Local Officials
- Dominion East Ohio regarding energy choice - will remain with NOPEC
- Fundraiser to benefit Senior Center - The Vogues are performing on 10-30-10 at 7:00 PM at Lakeside High School
- County Convention & Visitors Bureau Meeting & Awards is 10-13-10 at 5:30 PM at the Jefferson Depot Village
- Star Ohio - Annual report for year ended June 30, 2010
- Dominion - for energy assistance call Ohio Dept. of Development 1-800-282-0880 or www.development.ohio.gov
- Knights of Columbus Blue Mass is 10-28-10 at 7:00 PM at Mt. Carmel Church
- OPERS Notice, Report of Retirement Contributions, action required if there is a reporting error
- Miscellaneous newsletters

NEW BUSINESS

For the record - ODOT meeting to share current list of projected for 2012-2015 and to share our concerns will be on 10-1-10 at 10:00 am – 11:30 am

For the record - IAFF contract is also up for renewal and Trustees need to schedule meetings for negotiations

For the record - Fire Chief's contract expires 9-24-10

For the record - Residents in the Merchants/Wade area are interested in a Neighborhood Watch and we are working with Sheriff to set up a meeting to discuss it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE RECORD:

- 10-5-10, Special Monthly Meeting
- 10-11-10, Holiday – Office Closed
- 10-16-10, 8:00 am-3:00 pm - Drop Off Day

#16 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to go into Executive Session at 9:34 PM to discuss the Fire Chief's contract.

Roll Call Voting:

Jane Hawn-Jackson	Yes
Norman Jepson	Yes
Robert Brobst	Yes

#17 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to return to the Regular Session at 10:18 PM.

Roll Call Voting:

Jane Hawn-Jackson	Yes
Norman Jepson	Yes
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#18 Norman Jepson moved resolution, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to extend Chief Jyurovat's contract as Part-time Fire Chief until October 24, 2010.

Roll Call Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
 Norman Jepson Yes
 Robert Brobst Yes

#19 Norman Jepson moved, seconded by Jane Hawn-Jackson to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 PM.

Voting: Jane Hawn-Jackson Yes
 Norman Jepson Yes
 Robert Brobst Yes

The meeting was adjourned.



Robert Brobst, Chairperson



Marc D. Pope, Fiscal Officer