

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017**

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Regular Session on
Tuesday, March 7, 2017 with Trustee Nichols, Trustee Mittas, and Trustee Shaffer present.

Also in Attendance:

Road Superintendent/Zoning/Park Director Jonathan Smith, Fire Chief Christopher Smith, and
Fiscal Officer, Ronald Smith

MEETING MINUTES:

Regular Meeting – February 21, 2017

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes from the February 21, 2017 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Special Meeting – March 4, 2017

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes from the March 4, 2017 Special Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Mittas presented Sharyn Kitzmiller with the Canton Township Good Neighbor Award.

PUBLIC SPEAKS:

No Public Speaks at this time.

FIRE:

Fire Chief presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$12,251.05=Ambulance Billing, \$100.00=Fire Prevention, \$253.86=Misc., and \$170.00=Community Center Donation / Rental for total receipts of \$12,774.91. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve hiring one full-time firefighter/medic to replace retiring Cliff Nevel at a starting rate per the bargaining agreement with a start date of April 15, 2017, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

FYI:

- Bathroom renovation project started last week.
- Discussed principal projects at Fire Department.

ROAD:

Road Superintendent presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$150.00=Road Opening Permits and \$2,944.80=Culvert/Apron Repairs for total receipts of \$3,094.80. Mr. Mittas made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve closing 2 PO's:

PO

11-2017 = Cargill Inc.

12-2017 = Central Allied

Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 3 new PO's:

PO

\$ 5,000.00 = Cargill Inc.

\$20,000.00 = Central Allied

\$ 7,000.00 = Marlboro Supply

Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the Board President sign the annual EPA report upon completion and review by the end of March 2017, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve Road Foreman Christopher Neisel and Road Employee Kent Gottschick to attend Marlboro Supply open house on March 10, 2017, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve contracting with Spectrum for internet and phone services for the Township Administration Building for a two year plan with a savings of \$40.00 a month minimum, seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas. Mr. Shaffer abstained.

FYI:

- Patching Report – finished the township with cold patch.
- Trimming trees along roadways.
- Requested a road's work session.

ZONING:

Zoning Director presented zoning permit receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$782.25. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the Board declaring 12 properties as nuisances as deemed by the Zoning Director, and order them abated per Ohio Revised Code 505.173 and/or 505.86 and/or 505.87 and the Canton Township Property Maintenance Code. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Barkheimer Realty LTD	1308247	543 – 37 th Street SW	Vehicle
William/Hope Bowling	1301821	1601 Carnwise St SW	Vehicle
Bonita L. Feddersen	1308265	3677 Forestdale Ave SW	Vehicle
Donald/Carri Miller	1300299	267 – 49 th Street SW	Trash/Debris/Veh
Donald/Carri Miller	1300324	252 – 49 th Street SW	Trash/Debris/Veh
Mark Mills	1400071	1108 Oak Ave NW	Trash/Debris
Michael T. Picciano	1300839	1615 Carnwise St SW	Vehicles
James/Judith Robbins	1305066	421 – 34 th Street SE	Trash/Debris/Veh
Jonathan/Delores Schneider	1303290	166 – 40 th Street SW	Vehicles
Faye L. Sherrard	1306120	2602 Sherr Ave SE	Vehicles
Luther/Lillian Osborne	1309018	3201 Sandy Ave SE	Trash/Debris
John/Patti Liapakis	1302596	3209 Sandy Ave SE	Trash/Debris/Veh

FYI:

- 410 – 35th Street complaints – went to property and spoke with resident. He cleaned up what was asked of him.
- Mr. Shaffer updated the board regarding Starfire gas station with Emma of Regional Planning Commission.
- Received a letter regarding Dueber Avenue Property. An email to Attorney Hall has been sent.
- Nuisance List

TOWNSHIP PARKS:

FYI:

- Another baseball team will be coming in to request Hayhurst Field.
- Needs to put a list together of possible grants with the time frames for each one.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Fiscal Officer presented bills in the amount of \$249,058.01, payroll in the amount of \$105,604.77, for total checks in the amount of \$354,662.78. Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the checks as presented, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer with Mr. Shaffer abstaining from Check Nos. 18818, 18832, and 18815.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve closing 2 PO's:

PO

77-2017 = Stark Soil & Water

78-2017 = OTARMA

Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 2 new PO's and 1 BC:

PO

\$ 1,268.50 = Stark Regional Planning

\$88,566.44 = Fairfield Inn

BC

\$10,000.00 = Repairs & Maintenance

Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer. Fiscal Officer certified that funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the 2017 Permanent Appropriation Budget for Canton Township in the amount of \$7,967,286.49, seconded by Mr. Mittas.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Nichols	YES
	Mr. Mittas	YES
	Mr. Shaffer	YES

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the February 2017 Bank Reconciliation, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

FYI:

- Payment Register and Fund Status reports handed out to all three Trustees and Department Heads. New appropriation status report and new PO & BC lists to be given to Department Heads on Thursday, March 9, 2017.
- Trustees to sign March 2017 Payroll.

PUBLIC SPEAKS:

Mary Heckman – 410 – 35th Street, SE

Ms. Heckman stated she is the resident that the complaints have been about. She stated she is a Veteran and that they found this housing for her. She has been trying to keep it cleaned and will continue to do so. She inquired about fencing. The Board of Trustees informed her to stay after the meeting to get that information.

Amanda Hartman – 518 – 35th Street, SE

Ms. Hartman explained that she is a bus driver with Canton Local School District. She is concerned with the intersection of Fohl Road and Dueber Avenue. Even in the bus it is very difficult to see over the hill and the garbage trucks fly down Dueber. It is very dangerous for the preschoolers that go home about 11:00 a.m. Road Director, Jonathan Smith informed her that he would speak with the County since it is a county road, but will also speak with bus garage first.

Sharyn Kitzmiller

Ms. Kitzmiller would like to get the word out about the food pantry at Mt. Zion Community Church. She stated that when she speaks with people, they have not heard about the pantry. She is requesting it be listed on our website. She further stated that persons have to live in Canton Local School District and there are income guidelines. She presented a flyer to the Board.

TRUSTEES:

MR. NICHOLS:

FYI:

- Community Block Development Grant information – keep it on the radar for the parks.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to schedule a work session to discuss fire department projects and other fire department matters on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center, seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

MR. MITTAS:

FYI:

- Crime watch meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center.
- Septic Systems grants again for 2017. We will need to put this on our website with a link to their application.

MR. SHAFFER:

No items submitted for discussion.

ADJOURN:

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Mittas made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m., seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Ronald L. Smith, Fiscal Officer

Christopher B. Nichols, President

William G. Mittas, Vice President

Mark R. Shaffer, Member