

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD TUESDAY – JANUARY 17, 2017**

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Special Session at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 17, 2017 with Trustee Nichols, Trustee Mittas, and Trustee Shaffer present.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct a work session to discuss 2017 goals and possible policy levy. The Board also reserves the right to discuss any other Township business that may come before the Board.

2017 GOALS:

- Video board meetings to be posted to our website
- Complete street lighting audit/mapping. Push lighting districts.
- Trustee road show – move some meetings to Stations 2 & 3
- HR Review – Update/Complete Job Descriptions for all positions – employee reviews
- Work with AEP to place flag/banner holders down Cleveland Ave.
- Electronic message boards at Community Center, Faircrest Park and possibly Station 3.
- 3 Newsletters in 2017: Make Scott Johnson aware of these dates
 - #1 – Article Deadline 1/31 and mail by 2/15
 - #2 – Article Deadline 5/31 and mail by 6/15
 - #3 – Article Deadline 9/29 and mail by 10/15
- Top 15 Tax Payer Contacts (Mr. Nichols)
- Levy plans for fire renewal and possible police levy
- Community Center Business Plan and Volunteers (Mr. Mittas)
- Master Plans for Faircrest and Community Park (Mr. Shaffer)
- Improvements to the Township website, local business directory
- City Water in the Canton South area (Mr. Nichols)
- Sanitary Sewer & Possibly Water to the Moreland Allotment
- New Business Development, including the I77 CEDA Committee (Mr. Nichols)

POLICE LEVY:

Discussion on Millage/Service Level/Who to Campaign?

Mr. Mittas made a motion to hold a special meeting on January 21 and January 28 at 8:00 a.m. at the Canton Township Administration Building. The purpose of the January 21, 2017 special meeting is to discuss a Resolution creating a Canton Township Police District, discuss a Resolution requesting the Stark County Auditor to certify the amounts generated by various millage amounts and to discuss any other Township matters that may come before the Board. The purpose of the January 28, 2017 special meeting is to discuss the possibility of placing a police levy on the May 2, 2017 primary election ballot. The Board also reserves the right to discuss any other Township business that may come before the Board. Motion was seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

OTHER TOWNSHIP MATTERS:

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the Good Neighbor Award be presented by Sharyn Kitzmiller, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve Resolution No. 01-02-17, “A RESOLUTION TO CREATE A POLICE DISTRICT FOR CANTON TOWNSHIP, STARK COUNTY TO BE COMPRISED OF ALL OF THE UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY OF CANTON TOWNSHIP, STARK COUNTY, AND TO ALSO INCLUDE THOSE AREAS WITHIN CANTON TOWNSHIP AND THE CITY OF CANTON THAT ARE NOT PART OF McKINLEY TOWNSHIP, STARK COUNTY, OHIO.” Motion was seconded by Mr. Nichols.

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

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve Resolution No. 01-02-17, “A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE STARK COUNTY AUDITOR, PURUSANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.03(B)(1), TO CERTIFY TO THE CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES, STARK COUNTY, OHIO, AS TAXING AUTHORITY FOR THE CANTON TOWNSHIP POLICE DISTRICT, CANTON TOWNSHIP, THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF THE CANTON TOWNSHIP POLICE DISTRICT, CANTON TOWNSHIP AS A SUBDIVISION AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WILL BE GENERATED BY A PROPOSED ADDITIONAL TAX LEVY, IN THE AMOUNTS OF TWO (2.0), TWO AND ONE-HALF (2.50), THREE (3.0), THREE AND ONE-HALF (3.50), FOUR (4.0), FOUR AND ONE-HALF (4.5) AND FIVE (5.0) MILLS, ADDITIONAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AND MAINTAINING MOTOR VEHICLES, COMMUNICATIONS, OTHER EQUIPMENT, BUILDINGS, AND SITES FOR SUCH BUILDINGS USED DIRECTLY IN THE OPERATION OF A POLICE DEPARTMENT, OR THE PAYMENT OF SALARIES OF PERMANENT POLICE PERSONNEL, INCLUDING PAYMENT OF THE POLICE OFFICER EMPLOYERS’ CONTRIBUTION REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 742.33 OF THE REVISED CODE, OR THE PAYMENT OF THE COSTS INCURRED BY VILLAGES AS A RESULT OF CONTRACTS MADE WITH OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS IN ORDER TO OBTAIN POLICE PROTECTION, IN THE CANTON TOWNSHIP POLICE DISTRICT, CANTON TOWNSHIP, STARK COUNTY, OHIO, PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.19(J).” Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols.

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

ADJOURN:

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Nichols made a motion to adjourn at 9:11 p.m., seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Absent

Ronald L. Smith, Fiscal Officer

Christopher B. Nichols, President

William G. Mittas, Vice President

Mark R. Shaffer, Member