

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

May 19, 2023 – WORK SESSION MEETING

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-8338 FORM NO. 10-11-18

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Held Minutes of BOARD OF TRUSTEES – BATAVIA TOWNSHIP

The Board of Trustees of Batavia Township met for the February Work Session Meeting at 1:00 p.m. Monday, May 19, 2023, at the Batavia Township Community Center.

CALL TO ORDER

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken for the Board of Trustees. Present were: Mr. Sauls and Mr. Parsons and Mr. Perry. Also present were Karen Swartz, Township Administrator and Cody Smith, Service Director. Jennifer Haley, Fiscal Officer arrived at 1:20 pm.

TEMPORARY FISCAL OFFICER

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees appoint Cody Smith as temporary Fiscal Officer in the absence of Jennifer Haley. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Perry	yes	
Mr. Parsons	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	Motion carried

Agenda

Mr. Perry motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Parsons seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Perry	yes	
Mr. Parsons	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	Motion carried

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Sauls noted that there is no public participation.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Sauls stated that the meeting is being held to prioritize new projects that can be turned around quickly. Mr. Sauls and Mr. Perry agreed that the parking lot is a priority. It was stated that it needs to be repaved and possibly expanded.

The splash park option was discussed. There were concerns noted about continued maintenance and that non-Batavia Township residents would be using the park if the splash pad was installed. A sunshade over the playground equipment was discussed.

Karen Swartz noted that according to the Ohio State Bidding process anything under \$50,000 can be purchased without going through the bidding process. For example, if the splash pad is pursued the proper procedure would be to ask for proposals or ask for plans.

Let the Record Show: Jennifer Haley, Fiscal Officer entered the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

A discussion was had on how to engage kids more effectively within the park. Children's exercise or activity equipment like mounds and ropes that were seen at another park were discussed.

Jennifer Haley confirmed that \$1.4 million dollars are currently available in ARPA funds.

The meeting referred to the map to determine where additional parking could be added. Mr. Sauls asked Karen to call and see about the paving program. Mr. Sauls also asked Cody to make sure they use 404 when capped. Mr. Sauls confirmed that should be the first priority.

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A discussion was started about resurfacing the pickleball courts or adding more courts.

Mrs. Swartz noted that Cody could use a new salt truck, vac truck and two roadside mowers. She also noted that the basketball courts are used a lot and could be resurfaced.

Mrs. Swartz mentioned getting a quote for astroturf for the dog park. Karen and Cody agreed that it is very muddy along the fence lines, and it is used a lot. Karen said there are grants from Purina available. She said it would be well-used and would save a lot of time and money on maintenance.

Karen Swartz mentioned the guardrail project for Greenbriar. It is already designed and the estimate in 2022 was \$130,000. Mrs. Swartz applied for CDBG grant money for two projects. Karen said the contract could be available on the next agenda. The crash report showed many accidents. Cody confirmed it is a dangerous road. Mr. Parsons asked if the county engineer has funds to put towards safety issues such as guardrails. Karen Swartz said she will ask. It was confirmed that ARPA money will not be used for the guardrail project so Ms. Swartz said she will look into other revenue sources to complete the project.

Discussion was held on what the priorities would be for the Board. Mr. Parsons noted that each of these items is of equal importance and would like each one worked on.

Mr. Parson mentioned adding a frisbee golf in the wooded area. He stated it would be an inexpensive project.

Karen Swartz confirmed she also has added a picnic shelter, adding more cornhole boards and remodeling posts on her lists of projects. Mr. Sauls and Mrs. Swartz confirmed that the cornhole boards do not get used frequently during the week or evenings.

Mr. Sauls stated he would like to rehab the current picnic shelters. Anderson Restoration Company said they would be able to give quotes and Mrs. Swartz said they previously did work at the park, and they are a great company to work with. Mr. Sauls confirmed that she should get a quote from them for the work.

Mr. Parson confirmed that both playgrounds have an underground drainage system.

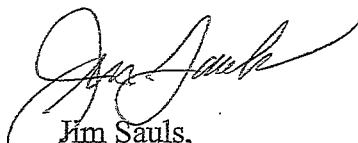
There was a discussion regarding the Victorian House that used to be in the Village of Amelia and what to do with it in the future.

It was confirmed that the amphitheater is not currently a priority. Mr. Parsons mentioned that there could still be concerts in the park, but Karen Swartz mentioned it would require additional staff time and logistics.

Cody Smith stated that the service department could use a roadside mower and A boom mower.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Parsons motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Perry seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.


Jim Sauls,
Chairman


Jennifer Haley
Fiscal Officer