

CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LAKE COUNTY, OHIO
REGULAR MEETING

Concord Town Hall
7229 Ravenna Road
Concord, Ohio 44077

April 4, 2018
7:30 p.m.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

Present on behalf of the Board of Trustees:

Christopher Galloway, Chairman
Caroline Luhta, Vice Chairwoman
Amy Dawson, Fiscal Officer

Also Present:

Michael Lucas, Esq., Legal Counsel
Chief Matt Sabo, Fire Department
Heather Freeman, Planning/Zoning Director
Frank Kraska, Service Director
Debra Bechel-Esker, Recreation Director
Chief Frank Leonbruno, Sheriff's Department

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1 7:32 p.m.
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3 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Okay. I am going to call to
4 order the regularly scheduled meeting of the Concord Township
5 Board of Trustees for Wednesday, April 4th. Please join Chief
6 Leonbruno in the Pledge of Allegiance.

7 (Whereupon, the Pledge off Allegiance was recited.)
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9 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: All right. Roll call.
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11 MS. DAWSON: Mrs. Luhta?
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13 MS. LUHTA: Here.
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15 MS. DAWSON: Mr. Galloway?
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17 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I am present. Mr. Malchesky is
18 not.
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20 Okay. Approval of minutes. Connie, got anything on
21 that?
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23 MS. LUHTA: Not a thing.
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25 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: They look good. They're
26 approved.
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28 MS. LUHTA: Yes.
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30 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: They are approved then as
presented.
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32 I am going to go to elected official reports, Fiscal
33 Officer.
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35 MS. DAWSON: Thank you, Mr. Galloway. As of
36 March 31st, we were 25 percent of the way through the calendar
37 year. Treasury balance for the 19 funds within the Township
38 Treasury was \$6.6 million. We have just received the first
39 half of the 2017 real estate taxes. The Treasury balance
40 includes \$600,000 in funds set aside for specific projects.
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42 Year-to-date revenue is 49 percent of the annual
43 budgeted resources and expenditures were 22 percent of the
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1 Treasury balance for 2018, so we are well within budget.

2 Just a note on the cemetery, please be respectful
3 and keep your cars on the driveway in a cemetery. When you
4 pull off to the side of the road, you may be pulling onto
5 someones' grave. And it's very wet in there, so even if you
6 pull over a little bit, it is damaging the cemetery grounds.

7 Also, if you see a funeral procession or the staff
8 getting ready for a funeral, please stay clear of the
9 proceedings or come back another time.

10 That is all I have, Mr. Galloway.

11 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thank you.

12 Mrs. Luhta?

13 MS. LUHTA: I have nothing.

14 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Okay. I would just real quick,
15 since it's public and we put it on our social media, Drug Mart
16 is scheduled to open on May 1st.

17 MS. LUHTA: Right.

18 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Since I know there is a lot of
19 people that have been asking that, over on Crile Road.

20 We had some questions recently about the condition
21 of roads, specifically the county roads. We do have a meeting
22 with the County Engineer to discuss that matter later this
23 month. I can tell you that, unless that's been changed by the
24 County Engineer, this year Button and Hoose are scheduled to
25 be fixed, full depth repairs. Then we'll be talking with them
26 about, you know, repairs and other things that need to take
27 place on county roads throughout the township.

28 Frank, I am sure, will talk about what he's got
29 planned as we have stone and tar bids and crack sealing and
30 everything else. He's got an aggressive program this season

1 as well, so that's going to be a priority for the township in,
2 in 2018, as it was in 2017. We had a lot of road projects get
3 done that I know people were glad to see, especially like
4 Auburn and Ravenna. So that's it for that.

5 I am going to go ahead and skip to Chief Leonbruno
6 for the law enforcement report because I understand that he
7 has another meeting that he must attend, so we will let him
8 give his report and be able to get on his with evening.

9 CHIEF LEONBRUNO: Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thanks for coming.

11 CHIEF LEONBRUNO: Well, thanks for having me. We
12 are -- We've been busy. Today we are investigating two
13 missing trees from one of the businesses, so we're still
14 trying to locate those.

15 We did, as requested, we did a traffic enforcement
16 for two weeks between the hours of 4:00 and 6:00 in the
17 morning, 4:30 and 6:30 in the morning and from 4:00 to 6:00 at
18 night on Concord-Hambden Road.

19 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Ah.

20 CHIEF LEONBRUNO: Because one of the complaints was
21 about truck, trucks speeding through that area. We did
22 identify 17 residents speeding through that area that received
23 warnings and we found two trucks.

24 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Okay.

25 CHIEF LEONBRUNO: Identified two trucks that were
26 not excessively speeding through the area but who were issued
27 citations regarding that.

28 We also went to the two trucking companies and spoke
29 to them about speaking to their drivers about excessive speed.

30 Did talk to a number of people. A lot of times,

1 what they say is, because trucks are so large, it seems like
2 they're going a lot faster than they are even when they're
3 obeying the speed limit and coming through an area. But we
4 did not -- We did clock a number of trucks during those
5 periods of time but they were not speeding excessively through
6 that area.

7 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thank you for doing that.

8 CHIEF LEONBRUNO: We have statistics, Captain
9 Dondorfer will have those later in the week. They're around
10 1,700 calls for service in Concord again.

11 I just wanted to mention that April is Distracted
12 Driving Month and so the Sheriff's Office is doing a campaign
13 on our Facebook page on distracted driving. We are showing a
14 number of different videos, and Channel 5 was in to talk on
15 distracted driving.

16 Just some interesting statistics: They say, at any
17 given moment in the United States, 660,000 people are talking
18 on their phones while driving in the United States; that the
19 National Safety Council estimates that 1.6 million crashes are
20 caused due to cell phone usage.

21 But distracted driving is actually more than that.
22 They estimate around 330,000 injuries occur every year from
23 distracted driving and through texting. Obviously, texting is
24 the largest concern. One out of every four car accidents is
25 caused by texting and driving in the United States.

26 And it's also estimated by the National Insurance
27 Council that 11 teens die every day texting and driving in the
28 United States. Not sure it's that deep, that's their
29 estimate, but conservatively six to seven teens die every day
30 texting and driving. So we're asking teens to talk to each

1 other about texting and driving and distracted driving and,
2 more importantly, for parents to set that example.

3 And so we have that campaign going, so you can go to
4 our Facebook page and see a lot of different videos concerning
5 that. Any questions or --

6 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: No.

7 MS. LUHTA: Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thank you.

9 CHIEF LEONBRUNO: Okay. Thank you very much.

10 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Appreciate it. Thank you,
11 Chief.

12 Okay. I will go to Fire Department. I gave my
13 report as sort of Trustee/Administrator light, so we will go
14 right to Chief Sabo.

15 CHIEF SABO: Good evening, everyone.

16 MS. LUHTA: Good evening.

17 CHIEF SABO: For the month of April -- excuse me --
18 no, for the month of March --

19 MS. DAWSON: March.

20 CHIEF SABO: -- we had a total of 214 incidents, our
21 year-to-date is 634. We had 137 EMS events which resulted in
22 116 transports to area hospitals. On the Fire Department
23 side, we had 70 events logged with six of those being
24 documented as building fires. That includes inside Concord
25 and outside of Concord, so mutual aid responses back and
26 forth. All total, we gave mutual aid to other communities 19
27 times and we received mutual aid ten times for various
28 incidents.

29 We had -- We got a new emergency reporting system,
30 so we're able to extract some data that's actually quite

1 interesting. So 27 percent of the time in the month of March
2 we had overlapping calls, so we had multiple incidents going
3 on at the same time, simultaneously, 27 percent of the time.

4 Our Fire Prevention Bureau was busy again with two
5 plan reviews, 32 annual inspections, eight follow-up
6 inspections, three consults, 15 fire protection system
7 testings, we installed one residential lockbox and we had one
8 public education event.

9 Before I go on, I would like to present the Township
10 Trustees with our 2017 annual report. There you are.

11 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: All right.

12 CHIEF SABO: Thank you very much.

13 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thank you.

14 CHIEF SABO: The annual report will be put on the
15 township website under the Fire Department section and I am
16 sure we will put a link up also on our Facebook page.

17 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Wonderful. Thank you.

18 CHIEF SABO: Thank you. The month of April, you
19 will see notices will be coming out. We are going to be
20 starting our fire hydrant flushing, or whenever the weather
21 breaks, if it does, in April. We might be looking at May.
22 But just when you get home, make sure you run your cold water.
23 We don't have set areas that we go to. We don't schedule like
24 that. We just have a list that the firefighters need to go
25 out and flush. But if you notice dark, dirty water, make sure
26 you flush your cold water lines first and then everything else
27 will be fine.

28 In reference to a Facebook post that was on our, our
29 page regarding a smoke alarm recall put out by Kidde, we did
30 identify that -- We checked all of our smoke alarms that are

1 distributed by the Fire Department and it does not appear that
2 any of our smoke alarms were affected. However, we are going
3 to continue checking and do our due diligence to make sure
4 that those smoke alarms are going to function properly. We
5 have a crew going out and following up with all the residents
6 that have our smoke detectors to make sure that they're
7 functioning properly.

8 And, lastly, save the date for June 10th, from 11:00
9 to 2:00, at Fire Station Number 1 out back here. We're going
10 to have our Annual Safety Day. We will have fire trucks,
11 ambulances, law enforcement vehicles, demonstrations, if the
12 weather cooperates maybe a helicopter, water safety trailer,
13 and much more. And as usual, the Concord Professional Fire
14 Fighters Local 3329 will be supplying refreshments and hot
15 dogs and chips. So it's a nice family fun event and we look
16 forward to seeing everybody out there.

17 Thank you very much.

18 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thanks, Chief.

19 MS. LUHTA: Thank you.

20 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Service Department, Frank
21 Kraska. We had a busy day. Frank and I had a -- we had a
22 meeting out, a stormwater matter today.

23 MR. KRASKA: Yeah. We picked a fine day to be out
24 in this.

25 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Boy, I'll tell you what, right,
26 the weather alone.

27 MR. KRASKA: As long as we didn't stand next to the
28 woods, right?

29 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: That's right, not near trees.

30 MR. KRASKA: So good evening.

1 MS. LUHTA: Good evening.

2 MR. KRASKA: Quite the brisk day today had us
3 dealing with some downed tree issues which, fortunately, was
4 limited to just our service garage location and there was
5 another location on Little Mountain Road where two trees had
6 fallen right near the intersection of Morley, which we were
7 able to reopen those roads in quick fashion.

8 Early April normally would have us initiating some
9 of our spring maintenance programs pursuant to the follow-up
10 from winter activities, such as cleaning the roads, repairing
11 sod, et cetera, yet we still have a cloud hanging over our
12 heads and snow is still falling on us on April 4th.

13 In March, crews were dispatched seven times in
14 response to snow and ice conditions. For the season, that
15 brought us up to 83 total dispatches, and we dispensed 3,400
16 tons of road salt during those operations. Our three-year
17 average prior to this winter is around 2,800 tons,
18 representing roughly a 20 percent increase in usage in this
19 activity period.

20 On Monday and Tuesday of this week, we received our
21 final shipment of road salt, bringing our total purchase for
22 this past winter supply up to 2,800 tons. And barring no more
23 winter activity, we should have about 900 tons on hand going
24 into next season.

25 Besides our road repair and maintenance projects, we
26 would like to get under -- that we would like to get under
27 way, we have some restoration and ground maintenance
28 activities which will require a period of weather to promote
29 some drying out and evaporation. This includes preparing the
30 ball diamond and soccer fields for play. As it stands now,

1 they are oversaturated and unworkable. So anybody, like the
2 baseball season, it's fairly near to getting under way. There
3 is -- That's not going to happen. Unlike last year, you know,
4 we were in full swing already at this time.

5 So, unfortunately, that's going to have to be put
6 off for a while. And we are considering the possibility of,
7 and putting together the possibility of adding a second
8 baseball diamond, which is in the works currently. We're
9 putting together the budget and everything that we have to
10 have in place to get that going. And, again, I need the
11 cooperation of the weather to make that happen.

12 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thank you for your efforts on
13 that.

14 MR. KRASKA: Tonight we will ask the Trustees to
15 approve the purchase of a new roadside tractor. The new
16 tractor will effectively supplement our current equipment,
17 which is a 1982 model.

18 On April 27th, we will hold a brief ceremony to
19 recognize Arbor Day and plant a new tree in recognition of the
20 holiday on public grounds. We will have additional details
21 for residents who may wish to take part in that tradition on
22 our website and on Facebook as we put that out.

23 In addition, with the wind today, I am sure the
24 township residents will have plenty of three limbs to drop off
25 at our first brush and yard waste dropoff scheduled for
26 Saturday, May 5th, starting at 8:00 a.m. and running until
27 2:00 p.m. in the afternoon. Township crews will be on hand
28 to assist residents at the Service Department located at
29 7229 Ravenna Road. Department employees will help offload
30 brush and yard waste as you arrive at the collection center.

1 Brush is then chipped and made available to the residents on a
2 first come, first serve basis.

3 Yard waste is collected, then taken to the local
4 recycling center for reuse. Only limbs, twigs, branches or
5 tree stocks no greater than six inches in diameter will be
6 accepted. Small branches and twigs should be bundled in
7 biodegradable twine or string that can be mulched. Yard waste
8 will only be accepted in biodegradable bags or small
9 containers that can be dumped. No tree stumps, pallets,
10 contaminated materials or processed wood or such lumber as
11 railroad ties are accepted. For further details, please visit
12 our township website for regular updates and current events
13 and related information.

14 In closing, we wish all of our residents in Concord
15 Township well and thank you for your continued support in our
16 efforts.

17 MS. LUHTA: Thanks, Frank.

18 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thank you, Frank.

19 All right. Zoning Department, Heather Freeman.

20 MS. FREEMAN: Good evening.

21 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Good evening.

22 MS. LUHTA: Good evening.

23 MS. FREEMAN: During the month, the month of March,
24 the Zoning Department approved 26 zoning permit applications
25 and collected just over \$3,000 in permit fees. Of the
26 permits, seven were for decks, six accessory buildings, two
27 additions to single-family dwellings, three new single-family
28 dwellings, two fence permits, and six pools.

29 Last night, the Zoning Commission had their regular
30 meeting. They had a public hearing on a zoning text amendment

1 application. The Commission voted to recommend approval with
2 modification to the Trustees, and now the Trustees will go
3 ahead and schedule their public hearing on the matter.

4 The normal BZA meeting for the month of April has
5 actually been canceled as we had no cases to be reviewed. So
6 they should meet again in May, which is always the second
7 Wednesday of the month.

8 And also just a reminder as spring is approaching
9 and residents are starting to think about some, some projects
10 that they're planning on doing around their property, there
11 may be several things that you need to get a zoning permit for
12 prior to doing that. So if you plan on constructing a new
13 deck or putting up a new fence, maybe a shed or a pool, please
14 contact the Zoning Department first because a zoning permit
15 will be required. We can answer any of your questions. And,
16 also, visit our website for lots of information on those items
17 as well. Thank you.

18 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thank you.

19 MS. LUHTA: Thank you.

20 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: All right. Next up is Debra
21 Esker, Recreation Director.

22 MS. ESKER: Good evening. I am pleased to report
23 that the Concord Township Recreation Department is offering a
24 nice variety of interesting and entertaining activities in
25 April.

26 Earlier this afternoon, our 55 Plus Group learned
27 the fascinating story of a local post-World-War-II effort to
28 help an impoverished town in Finland, resulting in a family's
29 journey through genealogy from Finland to Concord to Fairport
30 Harbor. So thanks to Mr. Ron Toivonen for sharing this

1 incredible adventure with us. It was truly fascinating.

2 The next 55 Plus Group gathering will take place on
3 Wednesday, April 18th, when a speaker from the Lake County
4 Historical Society presents "The Lake" -- "The History of Lake
5 County Nurseries."

6 Our 55 Plus Group meets every first and third
7 Wednesday of the month at the Concord Community Center and
8 provides a great opportunity for seniors to mingle and simply
9 enjoy the company of friends, so we encourage folks to check
10 out the 55 Plus events.

11 Spring is a great time to take a new class. In
12 April, the Recreation Department offers Martial Arts classes
13 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, Pound! exercises classes on
14 Monday evenings. Learn to make hand-stitched baby booties or
15 take a class on bookmark weaving. If you love world cuisine,
16 sign up for the South American cooking class. And kids will
17 love our Spring is in the Air cooking class.

18 And in collaboration with the Mentor Public Library,
19 we're also offering a hands-on Drones and Ozobots Class on
20 April 10th. And ozobots are simple little robots that you
21 create. They're adorable and they do simple little things,
22 little tasks.

23 An e-media class on April 17th where you bring your
24 own device and learn how to download the e-media of your
25 choice.

26 And on April 24th, Dr. John Foster, from the Mentor
27 Public Library will present a close on the 1916 Easter Rising
28 that ultimately formed the Irish Republic.

29 Sign up for a class. Go to Concordtwp.com and click
30 on the "Community Recreation Registration" link or just call

1 the Recreation Department for assistance.

2 The Library Book Club meets at the Community Center
3 on April 19th to discuss this month's selection, which is *Dark*
4 *Matters* by Blake Crouch. Copies of this book are available
5 for loan from the Community Center, so just stop by and pick
6 up your book.

7 Our big event this month is the Spring Garage Sale
8 at the Community Center this weekend, April 6th and 7th. It
9 will be our fourth garage sale and these are becoming wildly
10 popular. So stop by and pick up your new treasures on
11 Friday, April 6th, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m., or Saturday,
12 April 7th, from 8:00 a.m. till noon. The Community Center is
13 located at 7671 Auburn Road, across from TriPoint. This is a
14 free indoor event, so it will move forward regardless of the
15 weather.

16 And be sure to save the date of Saturday,
17 August 11th for Concord Community Day. Planning is under way.
18 And if you'd like to be involved, we're looking for
19 volunteers, parade participants, Citizen of the Year
20 nominations, and sponsors. And the Community Day scholarship
21 applications are already available on our website or at the
22 Community Center and at Town Hall. At least two \$1,000
23 scholarships will be awarded at the event. Applicants must be
24 a graduating high school senior and a current resident of
25 Concord Township.

26 Take a peek inside the Old Stone School and catch up
27 on the latest Concord Township news by watching the spring
28 edition of the Trustees' Fireside Chat. View it anytime at
29 your convenience on our website, Concordtwp.com, or watch it
30 on our cable station, which is Channel 99 for AT&T u-Verse

1 customers and Channel 1020 for Spectrum customers.

2 The April *e-Grapevine*, which is Concord Township's
3 monthly electronic newsletter, will be sent to inboxes this
4 Friday, April 6th. It's a concise blast of information about
5 township happenings specifically for the month. Sign up to
6 receive the *e-Grapevine* through our website or call the
7 Recreation Department for assistance.

8 And, lastly, Chief Leonbruno stated that April is
9 Distracted Driving Month, and it's also Child Abuse Prevention
10 Month. And the Lake County Job and Family Services Department
11 is supporting a Pinwheel for Prevention Campaign by displaying
12 1,100 blue pinwheels in front of their building this month.
13 You can show your support for the campaign by wearing blue to
14 work on Wednesday, April 11th.

15 For information on the Recreation Department news,
16 please contact us at (440) 639-4650 or visit Concordtwp.com.
17 Thank you.

18 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thank you. Appreciate it.

19 MS. LUHTA: Thanks, Deb.

20 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Okay. That's going to bring us
21 to audience portion. Anybody in the audience that would like
22 to address the Trustees, come forward at this time. Mr. Call,
23 if you would like to --

24 MR. CALL: My name is Ron Call, 12355 Girdled Road,
25 Concord. I am, I am up mainly because the sheriff -- Too bad
26 he left so soon -- because the speed limit over here south of
27 the bridge is not consistent. If you are going that way it's
28 35 miles an hour, if you are going this way it's 40 miles an
29 hour.

30 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: We are aware of that and we've

1 raised that with ODOT.

2 MR. CALL: Good. The other thing is that used to
3 be, I believe -- Mrs. Luhta has been there longer than me --
4 but I believe it used to be 55 on 608, and that probably is
5 pretty fast, but I understand they lowered it because some
6 people were playing badminton in the middle of 608.

7 MS. LUHTA: I didn't know that.

8 MR. CALL: Yeah. They came, some kid came off of
9 Williams and ran over one of the kids playing badminton, so
10 that we ended up with this mess for a speed limit. But when
11 you go down that road, people are coming from Middlefield and
12 they're used to going to work out here and they're not going
13 to go 35 miles an hour.

14 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Right.

15 MR. CALL: And I've gone down there 35. I've had
16 people pass me in the double yellow line. I've had people
17 tailgate me. I've had them make rude gestures as they go by
18 me. Is there any way the Trustees, with their power and
19 authority, can raise that speed limit to 45? It's unnecessary
20 to be that slow.

21 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: We don't actually have that
22 authority, that is ODOT's. The process for that is we have --
23 we ask the county to petition ODOT to do a traffic analysis.
24 Usually, they do a traffic count and they do -- they have
25 their little package of studies -- it's a quick process -- and
26 then they determine whether or not the speeds are appropriate,
27 but we can request them to review the speeds on 608.

28 MR. CALL: Yeah, because people are coming from
29 Middlefield. They're not going to slow down to go through
30 that. They'll pass --

1 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I will tell you that most of the
2 folks that live on that road don't want it increased, they
3 want it lowered.

4 MR. CALL: Lower than that?

5 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Yeah. So --

6 MR. CALL: Oh, my gosh.

7 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: But what I can say is we can ask
8 ODOT to review that and then come back to us with their, you
9 know, their analysis.

10 MR. CALL: Right, because people are going to get
11 killed over there eventually because they're passing on that
12 double yellow line if you're going 35.

13 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: People do a lot of dumb things.

14 MR. CALL: Yeah. Well, the other thing is, too, the
15 Fire Department's got a speed limit. It changes at Alexander
16 Road coming this way to 35. It's 40 so far. I don't know
17 what they're going to do. They'll probably lower the 40 to 35
18 to make it consistent. But why would that be 35 that far away
19 from the Fire Department? Couldn't they put in a traffic
20 light by the Fire Department, like Mentor does, so that they
21 can turn the light red so cars can stop and not hit the fire
22 trucks and stuff?

23 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Well, I think that's just a
24 function of cost. And in terms of what we have done, I mean,
25 you've been here longer than I have and, you know, you've
26 watched it build up. I can tell you that we are in the
27 process of a Fire Station Master Plan study, and so I think we
28 can take into account, that depending on the location of a
29 revised Fire Station 1, that that is something that should be
30 looked at.

1 MR. CALL: Yeah. They lowered the bridge. I would
2 think they lowered that bridge so that people can see you
3 coming out of there.

4 CHIEF SABO: So we can see them.

5 MR. CALL: You can see them, yeah. But the
6 original, one of the older trustees that used to be here --
7 Mrs. Luhta knows who I am talking about -- he used to complain
8 cars were going across that bridge and their tires were
9 leaving the ground. Well, part of the problem was we had to
10 set up stakes to see him get across the road. He would go
11 that slow. And, consequently, we ended up with this 35 mile
12 an hour speed limit and that I feel it's unreasonable.

13 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Okay.

14 MR. CALL: That's all I have to say. But they ought
15 to get consistent with the speed, whatever it is. Hopefully,
16 it's 40, at least.

17 MS. LUHTA: Thank you.

18 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: All right. Anybody else want to
19 address the Trustees? Sure, come on up, state your name,
20 address and all that for the record.

21 MR. KOUBEK: Good evening. My name is Bill Koubek,
22 K-o-u-b-e-k. I am from Painesville. I am a forensic analyst
23 at the Lake County Crime Lab. Sorry. And I am just here on
24 behalf of the Crime Lab tonight to speak to you about our
25 Issue 4 that's going on the ballot on May 8th.

26 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Just to give you a quick -- Our
27 policy is, is you can give information but no advocacy.

28 MR. KOUBEK: Okay.

29 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thank you.

30 MR. KOUBEK: The last levy that we asked for and

1 passed was in 1999. That levy generates \$1.5 million for us
2 every year. At the time, that was more than enough money. We
3 were able to save and put away the excess money in reserve.
4 But the last five to ten years have seen an increase in our
5 costs and we have actually dwindled that reserve down to
6 nothing. Our 2018 budget this year is estimated between 2.75
7 and 3 million dollars. So as you can see, that one and a half
8 million does not cover what we need.

9 The reasons for those increases are DNA technology
10 and increased case work for that department. There has been a
11 241 percent increase since 2008. And the technology that --
12 The advancement in technology has helped us to solve cases but
13 has come with a drastic increase in cost as well. We have had
14 a total increase in items submitted of 57 percent for the
15 whole lab since 2008. And in the department that I am from,
16 drug chemistry, the opioid epidemic has completely crippled us
17 and we have seen an exponential increase in case work, as well
18 as complexity.

19 So if the levy does not pass, there will be a
20 guaranteed reducement in services, as well as a possible
21 closure of the lab completely. So what this means is that
22 agencies from the county will then have to take their evidence
23 to the state. The state offers some services that are the
24 same as us but they choose to do less testing and -- or some
25 testing does not get done at all, as is the case for property
26 crimes. And so the agencies will have to take their evidence
27 down to the state.

28 They will also take much longer than we will to
29 complete those cases. And not only will the experts have to
30 come up from the state to testify in court cases, they will

1 not be available for phone calls all the time like we are on a
2 daily basis. So those are the down sides to the lab closing.

3 The levy, if it passes, will be an additional levy
4 to what is already out there. So it will raise the taxes \$14
5 per \$100,000 cost of the home, so that will be a total of
6 about \$21 a month per \$100,000.

7 So, basically, what I am here to do tonight is just
8 public awareness to get the word out that we exist. We are
9 here. We help the community. We are a valuable asset to
10 keeping the community safe for the whole county, as well as
11 some of the neighboring counties of Ashtabula and Geauga at
12 times as well. And, basically, we are just asking for public
13 support, whether it's through Facebook pages or social media
14 or even face-to-face contact with people in the community. We
15 just would appreciate getting the word out and, hopefully,
16 voting for us.

17 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Great.

18 MR. KOUBEK: And I can also answer any questions, if
19 there are any.

20 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: When we do work for out of other
21 counties, I assume there is a billing process for that.

22 MR. KOUBEK: Yes.

23 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: There is a revenue generation.

24 MR. KOUBEK: Yes.

25 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I can imagine that will be a
26 question the folks at home might ask.

27 MR. KOUBEK: Yes, yes, we do. Any agency inside the
28 county is free because it's taxpayer money. But as I said
29 before, we do some cases for Ashtabula and Geauga. There is a
30 fee that they have to pay.

1 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Yeah, got it. Well, I can say
2 that I know, from the newsletters I receive as a public
3 official, that I know that you folks do great work for the
4 community. And I would hope that our residents would do the
5 proper amount of research on the value that you bring to the
6 community and, and that would help educate them in their
7 decision on May 8th.

8 MR. KOUBEK: Yes.

9 MS. LUHTA: Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: So thank you for coming.

11 MR. KOUBEK: Thank you for your kind words.
12 I appreciate it. And thank you for the time to speak.

13 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Appreciate it. All right.

14 And you can leave if you don't want to stick around
15 for all the other business. We wouldn't be offended. So --

16 MR. KOUBEK: Okay. Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: All right. That's going to
18 bring me to -- There is no Old Business. That's going to
19 bring me to New Business and the March financial statements.
20 Connie, we have them.

21 MS. LUHTA: Yes.

22 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: They've been presented by the
23 Fiscal Office.

24 MS. LUHTA: I would move to approve the March
25 financial statements.

26 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Okay. I will second that. All
27 those in favor?

28 (Two aye votes, no nay votes.)

29 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: And then we also need to have a
30 vote authorizing me, as chair, to sign a depository agreement

1 with Fifth Third Bank. This is a newer arrangement. I think
2 it probably has something to do with Dodd-Frank but I don't
3 know that.

4 MS. DAWSON: It has to do with the collateralization
5 of our deposits. It's every, every bank.

6 MS. LUHTA: Okay.

7 MS. DAWSON: It's required by the state.

8 MS. LUHTA: I so move.

9 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I will second that and then I
10 will go ahead and sign it. All those in favor?

11 (Two aye votes, no nay votes.)

12 MR. LUCAS: That date correction was noted,
13 correct?

14 MS. DAWSON: Yeah.

15 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: It was corrected.

16 MS. DAWSON: It was struck out and revised as of
17 today's date.

18 MR. LUCAS: Okay.

19 MS. LUHTA: And while you are doing that, I will
20 move to approve Resolution 2018-15, the mowing and landscape
21 maintenance of township properties and cemeteries for 2018,
22 with an option for year 2019.

23 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Wonderful. I will --

24 MS. LUHTA: And that is with --

25 MS. DAWSON: Classic Lawn.

26 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Classic Lawn.

27 MS. LUHTA: -- Classic Lawn.

28 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I will second that. And all
29 those in favor?

30 (Two aye votes, no nay votes.)

1 MS. DAWSON: Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: We will sign these. Here, I
3 will give these to you.

4 MS. LUHTA: Okay.

5 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Without Paul here, we can go a
6 little slower. It's okay. They won't judge.

7 MS. LUHTA: I see. Okay.

8 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: While you are signing, I will
9 make -- Oh, I can't.

10 MS. DAWSON: You can't.

11 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I will, I will --

12 MS. LUHTA: You'll ask for one.

13 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I will ask for a motion on the
14 Fire Department P.O. 29-2018 to Atwells in the amount of
15 \$15,000 for uniforms.

16 MS. LUHTA: So move.

17 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I will second that. And that is
18 an annual expenditure that, that we have and is housekeeping
19 for the Fire Department. All those in favor?

20 (Two aye votes, no nay votes.)

21 MS. LUHTA: You have to sign that, too.

22 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: It's right here.

23 MS. LUHTA: Okay.

24 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: So I am going to give it to you.
25 There you are.

26 MS. LUHTA: Okay.

27 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: And then while you are doing
28 that, I would also accept a motion to approve the Service
29 Department P.O. 27-2018 to D.J.L. Material and Supply, Inc.,
30 in the amount of \$10,000 for equipment rental of a crack

1 sealer.

2 MS. LUHTA: So moved.

3 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I will second. All those in
4 favor?

5 (Two aye votes, no nay votes.)

6 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: And that's part of Frank's
7 aggressive road program this year. That is a three-month
8 rental -- here is that -- for that crack sealer so that we can
9 get out and get to work on repairing township roads after this
10 very difficult winter.

11 MS. LUHTA: And then I think I can do the next one.
12 I move that we approve Purchase Order Number 28-2018 to Mentor
13 Manufacturing in the amount of \$68,519.49 for the purchase of
14 a Kubota tractor and a Diamond side mount flail mower.

15 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Now, Frank, the last tractor you
16 got, it was from 1982. Are you going to make this one last a
17 little longer?

18 MR. KRASKA: Perhaps.

19 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I mean, stretch it a little bit.

20 MR. KRASKA: We do have a good maintenance program.

21 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Okay. I will second that. All
22 those in favor?

23 (Two aye votes, no nay votes.)

24 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: This is a really good machine,
25 Connie. As you know, Frank had the --

26 MS. LUHTA: Oh, yes.

27 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: -- crew leaders go out and take
28 a look at some of the top models and determine, as a
29 collective, what would be the better piece of equipment for
30 the township and the actions that they needed to do with it,

1 à la mowing.

2 MS. LUHTA: Okay. I can read the bids, if you'd
3 like.

4 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Please do, yes.

5 MS. LUHTA: Okay. We have bids for different types
6 of material. Osborne, Inc., has a bid bond or check. They
7 had no, no bids for -- oh, yes, they did -- ODOT 301 asphaltic
8 concrete base, 1,500 tons, more or less, no bid. Oh, they had
9 a whole --

10 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: You could probably just skip to
11 the second page.

12 MS. LUHTA: -- a whole bunch of no bids.

13 MS. DAWSON: No, wait. If you read what the --

14 MS. LUHTA: You want it across? You want it done
15 across?

16 MS. DAWSON: Yes. So read, read what it is. It's a
17 pick-up price for the ODOT 301 asphaltic concrete base.

18 MS. LUHTA: I see. Okay.

19 MS. DAWSON: And then read who bid on it.

20 MS. LUHTA: Okay. That was Osborne Concrete and
21 Stone, 49,000 -- \$49 a ton; Kokosing Materials, \$51 a ton;
22 there were several no bids, and that was it;

23 ODOT 448 surface course asphalt, 500 tons, more or
24 less: Osborne Concrete and Stone, \$60 a ton; Kokosing
25 Materials, \$62 a ton;

26 ODOT 448 intermediate course asphalt, 200 tons, more
27 or less: Osborne Concrete and Stone, \$51 a ton; and Kokosing
28 Materials, \$52 a ton;

29 And delivered prices, there were no bids on a whole
30 bunch of stuff;

1 And ODOT 499 Class C concrete, 300 cubic yards, more
2 or less: Osborne, Inc., \$108 per cubic yard; Cashen Ready-Mix
3 and Builders Supply, \$115 per cubic yard; and R.W. Sidley,
4 \$127.75 per cubic yard;

5 ODOT 499 Class MS concrete, 2,500 cubic yards, more
6 or less: \$117 per cubic yard from Osborne, Inc.; Cashen
7 Ready-Mix and Builders Supply, \$134 per cubic yard; R.W.
8 Sidley, \$145.75 per cubic yard;

9 ODOT 499 Class FS concrete, 300 cubic yards, more or
10 less: Osborne, Inc., \$128 per cubic yard; Cashen Ready-Mix
11 and Builders Supply, \$141 per cubic yard; R.W. Sidley, \$155.75
12 per cubic yard;

13 ODOT 613 Class LSM concrete, 300 cubic yards:
14 Osborne, Inc., \$72 per cubic yard; Cashen Ready-Mix and
15 Builders Supply, \$69 per cubic yard; and R.W. Sidley, \$89.50
16 per cubic yard;

17 And then picked up prices for --

18 MS. DAWSON: It's limestone.

19 MS. LUHTA: Limestone.

20 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Do you want me to do these?

21 MS. LUHTA: You can.

22 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I mean, you know.

23 MS. LUHTA: Yeah, sure.

24 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: You've already had to do a ton
25 of these.

26 MS. LUHTA: All right. Do the second two sheets.

27 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Okay. Under limestone -- And I
28 am going to go ahead and just read off those that did give a
29 bid.

30 MS. LUHTA: That's what I did.

1 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Right. And I, and I think
2 that's fine. If the supplier and the material is not
3 mentioned, that's because there was no bid.

4 MS. LUHTA: Right.

5 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Okay. So Number 4, 800 tons,
6 more or less: There was a bid from Osborne Concrete and Stone
7 of \$20.40 per ton;

8 ODOT 304, 800 tons, more or less: Concrete --
9 Osborne Concrete and Stone, \$14.75 per ton;

10 Number 57, 2,000 tons, more or less: Osborne
11 Concrete and Stone, \$20.05 per ton;

12 Number 8, 100 -- Number 8, 800 tons, more or less:
13 Osborne Concrete and Stone, \$21.60 per ton;

14 Number 1 and Number 2, 500 tons, more or less:
15 Osborne Concrete and Stone, \$20.10 per ton;

16 ODOT 411, 500 tons, more or less: Osborne Concrete
17 and Stone, \$15.20 per ton;

18 Number 601 C, 100 tons, more or less: Osborne
19 Concrete and Stone, \$46 per ton;

20 Number 601 B, 100 tons, more or less: Osborne
21 Concrete and Stone, \$48 per ton;

22 Number 57 washed bank gravel, 200 tons, more or
23 less: Osborne Concrete and Stone, \$27.50 per ton;

24 Number 4, 800 tons -- And this is delivered. These
25 are delivered prices. The previous were pick-up prices.

26 Delivered prices are as follows:

27 Number 4, 800 tons, more or less: Osborne Concrete
28 and Stone, \$24.40 per ton;

29 ODOT 304, 800 tons, more or less: \$18.75 per ton by
30 Osborne Concrete and Stone;

1 Number 57, 2,000 tons, more or less: Osborne
2 Concrete and Stone at \$24.05 per ton;
3 Number 8, 800 tons, more or less: By Osborne
4 Concrete and Stone at \$25.60 per ton;
5 Number 1 and Number 2, 500 tons, more or less: By
6 Osborne Concrete and Stone, \$24.10 per ton;
7 ODOT 411, 500 tons, more or less: Osborne Concrete
8 and Stone, \$19.20 per ton;
9 Number 9 washed, 300 tons: There was no bid;
10 Number 601 C, 100 tons, more or less: Osborne
11 Concrete and Stone, \$51 per ton;
12 Number 601 B, 100 tons, more or less: Osborne
13 Concrete and Stone, \$56 per ton;
14 Number 57 washed bank gravel, 200 tons, more or
15 less: Osborne Concrete and Stone, \$31.50. And that is it.
16 MS. LUHTA: I would move to accept all the bids.
17 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I will second your motion to
18 accept all the bids. All those in favor?
19 (Two aye votes, no nay votes.)
20 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: And the reason we accept all the
21 bids is to allow the Service Department flexibility when it
22 comes to supply and acquisition of those materials.
23 MS. LUHTA: I have a question for Frank, and that
24 is, there is no bid at all for screened ball diamond mix,
25 infield mix or screened topsoil. What do you do if you need
26 some of that?
27 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: They'll shop it.
28 MR. KRASKA: We go out to other vendors.
29 MS. LUHTA: Okay.
30 MR. KRASKA: And quote prices from them.

1 MS. LUHTA: I see.

2 MR. KRASKA: And, obviously, look for not only the
3 best price but the best quality.

4 MS. LUHTA: Okay. Thank you.

5 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Yeah. A lot of this stuff is,
6 obviously, available. They just chose not to bid it for us.
7 They're probably sitting waiting, you know.

8 MS. LUHTA: Waiting for it.

9 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Well, letting it be a
10 situational market price.

11 MS. LUHTA: Right, okay.

12 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: So it is what it is.

13 MS. LUHTA: Thank you.

14 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: We usually get more bids --

15 MS. LUHTA: Yes.

16 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: -- than we did on this year on
17 all these materials but that just may be a function of the
18 marketplace.

19 MR. KRASKA: The next closest stone bidder is in
20 Cleveland. That would be Ontario Stone. A few years back
21 they used to bid prices but, apparently, they don't find it to
22 their benefit.

23 MS. LUHTA: Okay. Thank you.

24 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Connie, the next thing that we
25 need to do is set a public hearing related to the Zoning
26 Amendment Application 0218-2 by Richard Sommers, of Sommers
27 Real Estate Group, to amend the Zoning Resolution text in
28 Section 22. That was, as you know, held and voted on last
29 night by the Zoning Commission. A recommendation was made and
30 that has been transferred to us for action, so we have to set

1 a public hearing.

2 MS. LUHTA: Either April 18th or May 2nd, which
3 is --

4 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I would, would suggest, if it's
5 okay by you, we go with April 18th.

6 MS. LUHTA: Okay.

7 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: And we set that public hearing
8 at 7:00.

9 MS. LUHTA: Okay.

10 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Do we have conflict? We would
11 have to shorten our office hours.

12 MS. DAWSON: You have a bicentennial meeting.

13 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: There is a bicentennial meeting,
14 then our Trustee office hours. So we would have to make the
15 office hours for a half an hour.

16 MS. DAWSON: Yes.

17 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Instead of office hour, it's
18 office half hour.

19 MS. DAWSON: That's okay.

20 MS. LUHTA: Okay.

21 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: And then we will have the
22 regular Trustee meeting at 7:30 or after, directly proceeding
23 from the public hearing, whichever comes first.

24 MS. LUHTA: Right, okay. That's fine.

25 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Cool. All right. Hopefully,
26 Paul is okay with that.

27 It's going to bring us, we have to -- I will take a
28 motion to approve our approval of the mylar that is in the
29 other room for Summerwood Subdivision Phase Number 3B. As you
30 know, we have to vote on each one of those because it is a

1 PUD.

2 MS. LUHTA: Right, okay. I so move.

3 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: I will second that. All those
4 in favor?

5 (Two aye votes, no nay votes.)

6 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: And we will sign that at the
7 closure of this meeting.

8 Items voted on at staff meeting that was yesterday
9 here at Town Hall in our conference room, there was a vote to
10 dispose of the old sound board that had gone bad and is
11 unusable and caused us to not be able to televise a meeting a
12 couple months ago. That was approved with two aye votes.

13 And then we also approved, by two aye votes,
14 approving the Fiscal Officer to open a cash on hand UAN
15 investment line within the state accounting system for
16 bookkeeping purposes, really just a bookkeeping matter. We
17 have cash on hand in a safe that is used for the rare
18 occasions when somebody comes in and pays cash for a permit or
19 something along those lines and this allows Mrs. Dawson to be
20 able to account for it within the state's system.

21 MS. DAWSON: Or a cemetery plot.

22 MS. LUHTA: Yes.

23 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Or a cemetery plot, cash for a
24 cemetery plot.

25 MS. DAWSON: They do.

26 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: As rare as they are anymore,
27 every now and then there are cash transactions that do take
28 place.

29 MS. LUHTA: Right.

30 MS. DAWSON: Correct.

1 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Future meetings and
2 announcements, Mrs. Dawson, do you want to handle that?

3 MS. DAWSON: Thank you, Mr. Galloway. On Wednesday,
4 April 11th, at 7:00 p.m., the formerly scheduled BZA meeting
5 has been canceled due to lack of applications;

6 On Friday, April 13, at 8:00 a.m., there will be a
7 JEDD Board meeting here at Town Hall;

8 Wednesday, April 18th, at 5:45 p.m., there will be a
9 Bicentennial Planning Committee meeting here at the conference
10 room in Town Hall; 6:30 p.m. will be Trustee office hours at
-- Trustee office half hour at the conference room at Town
12 Hall; 7:00 p.m., you've just scheduled a public hearing; and
13 Trustee meeting immediately following or 7:30 p.m., whichever
14 is sooner.

15 MS. LUHTA: Yeah.

16 MS. DAWSON: Here at Town Hall.

17 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Fantastic. Connie, do you have
18 anything else?

19 MS. LUHTA: No, that's it. Thank you.

20 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Thank you.

21 Mr. Lucas, legal counsel, anything for the order?

22 MR. LUCAS: Not a thing.

23 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Well --

24 MR. LUCAS: Everything is copacetic.

25 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Well, look at that.

26 MS. DAWSON: Wow.

27 MR. LUCAS: A Scrabble word.

28 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Man.

29 MR. LUCAS: Lots of points.

30 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: A lot of points there.

1 MR. LUCAS: Big time points.
2 MS. LUHTA: As long as you spell it correctly.
3 MS. DAWSON: The landscaper.
4 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Ah, yes, we will sign that.
5 Connie, we have one more thing to sign before I --
6 MS. LUHTA: Okay.
7 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: -- shut this down.
8 MS. DAWSON: My apologies.
9 MS. LUHTA: All right. Thank you.
10 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: The landscaper contract.
11 MS. LUHTA: Oh, just one copy?
12 MS. DAWSON: Just one.
13 MS. LUHTA: Okay.
14 CHAIRMAN GALLOWAY: Okay. Well, we will be
15 adjourned. As Mrs. Dawson mentioned, we will be back here on
16 Wednesday, April 18th. Until that time, everybody enjoy the
17 Tribe home opener on Friday. Go Tribe. Stay safe. And we
18 will see everybody in a couple weeks. Thank you.

19 (Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.)

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3 I, Melinda A. Melton, Registered Professional
4 Reporter, a notary public within and for the State of Ohio,
5 duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that, to
the best of my ability, the foregoing proceeding was
reduced by me to stenotype shorthand, subsequently
transcribed into typewritten manuscript; and that the
foregoing is a true and accurate transcript of said
proceedings so taken as aforesaid.

7 I do further certify that this proceeding took
8 place at the time and place as specified in the foregoing
caption and was completed without adjournment.

9 I do further certify that I am not a friend,
10 relative, or counsel for any party or otherwise interested
in the outcome of these proceedings.

11 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
12 and affixed my seal of office this 6th day of April 2018.

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14 Melinda A. Melton
15 Registered Professional Reporter

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17 State of Ohio

18 My Commission Expires:
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