

July 1, 2019– REGULAR SESSION

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of BOARD OF TRUSTEES – BATAVIA TOWNSHIP –

The Board of Trustees of Batavia Township met for a regular session at 6:00 p.m. Monday, July 1, 2019, at the Batavia Township Community Center.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Jennifer Haley gave the roll call for the Board of Trustees. Present were: Mr. Dowdney, Mr. Sauls, and Mr. Perry. Also present were Jennifer Haley, Fiscal Officer, Rex Parsons, Township Administrator, Denise Kelley, Zoning Administrator, Brad Harris, Zoning Inspector, Ken Embry, Service Dept. Director, and Deputy Dowers, Clermont County Sheriff's Department.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES**

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the July 1st, 2019 agenda as presented. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Dowdney	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	
Mr. Perry	yes	Motion carried

Mr. Dowdney motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the June 3, 2019 regular and June 18, 2019 special meeting as presented. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Perry	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	
Mr. Dowdney	yes	Motion carried

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Ms. Haley gave the June 2019 financial reports as presented. Two new PC's were purchased.

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the June 2019 financial reports as presented. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Perry	yes	
Mr. Dowdney	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	Motion carried

**CEMETERY DEED**

Ms. Haley presented to the Trustees for signatures, a cemetery deed, lot 61; graves 3 and 4 in Lucy Run Cemetery, to John Sedgwick.

**REPORTS OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Embry gave an update on the 2019 Road Paving Program. It is running three weeks behind due to the weather.

There was equipment discussion about a new 1-ton truck.

**Resolution 7-04-2019 Surplus**

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees adopt **Resolution 7-04-2019** declaring the 2011 pickup truck, unit #1, and the 2004 F550, unit #4 as surplus. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Sauls	yes	
Mr. Perry	yes	
Mr. Dowdney	yes	Motion carried

**2019 Purchase**

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the purchase of the 2019 F550 from Lebanon Ford, cost not to exceed \$50,000. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Perry	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	
Mr. Dowdney	yes	Motion carried

**Koffen Equipment**

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve the purchase of Koffen equipment for the F550, cost not to exceed \$36,000. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Dowdney	yes	
Mr. Perry	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	Motion carried

**LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT**

Deputy Dowers and Deputy Jesse Kidder gave the June 2019 Sheriff report. June reports were 153. Township activity shows 19 adult arrests, 1 juvenile arrest, attempted 49 warrants, served 32, and Civil papers served were 136. Overdoses for June totaled 4.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr. Parsons introduced Adele Evans, Clermont County Office of Economic Development. She discussed the implementation of a CRA (Community Reinvestment Area), for a project on SR 222. This is similar to the Enterprise Zone Tax Abatement Program. CRA allows residential development.

**Resolution 7-03-2019 Requesting CRA**

Mr. Dowdney motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve **Resolution 7-03-2019** as it relates to asking Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County to establish a CRA on parcels 02-20-03C-062,034,035, and 036. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Perry	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	
Mr. Dowdney	yes	Motion carried

**REPORTS OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR/INSPECTOR**

Denise Kelley, Zoning Administrator, gave her June report which included the BZA and Zoning Commission updates. There were 41 misc. permits and 9 single family home permits. There is one lot left on Forest Glen. All permits have been issued in Woodbury Glen. There are 40 Drees properties in Twin Gate. There is one lot left in Crosspointe.

**REPORTS OF THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR**

Mr. Parsons is still working on getting the dog park sign completed.

The Little Free Library is up and running.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Township had the groundbreaking for the Bill Brewer Memorial. It should be completed the first part of August.

The Village of Amelia surrender of corporate power will be on the ballot in November. SR 125 is the dividing line between Batavia and Pierce Township. There was discussion.

Mr. Parsons spoke with ODOT about the engine brake sign. They are waiting for the resolution.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Frisbee Golf**

The Disc Golf Association designs courses throughout Hamilton County and are making courses locally. They will call Mr. Dowdney and visit Batavia Township.

Mr. Perry spoke about park amenities. There was discussion.

**Resolution 7-01-2019 Nuisance Declaration**

Mr. Dowdney motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve **Resolution 7-01-2019** as it relates to declaring a nuisance at 4570 Water Dance Drive in Batavia Township. Mr. Sauls seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Sauls	yes	
Mr. Dowdney	yes	
Mr. Perry	yes	Motion carried

**Resolution 7-02-2019 Tax Budget**

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees approve **Resolution 7-02-2019** as it relates to approving the 2020 Tax Budget. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Dowdney	yes	
Mr. Perry	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	Motion carried

**ROAD SALT**

Mr. Sauls motioned the Batavia Township Board of Trustees accept the bid from Compass Minerals for 600 tons of road salt for \$83.93 per ton. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. On the roll being called:

Mr. Perry	yes	
Mr. Dowdney	yes	
Mr. Sauls	yes	Motion carried

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Sauls motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Dowdney seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Randy Perry,  
Chairman

Jennifer Haley,  
Fiscal Officer