The regularly scheduled meeting of the Newbury Township Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m., July 5, 2017 with Mr. Glen Quigley, Ms. Jan Blair and Mr. Bill Skomrock present.

The meeting was opened with recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Chief, Mr. Ken Fagan reported recent NVFD activities:

- -The Department received 62 calls in June.
- -Thus far, July has accounted for 10 calls.
- -Total calls for 2017 are 298. The majority are rescue calls.
- -The Department will have equipment on display at the July 15th Community Picnic; details and logistics were reviewed.

#### Veterans Park was discussed:

- Trees honoring 3 NHS graduates that were killed in action will be planted at Veterans Park. Plaques to acknowledge their ultimate sacrifice, are planned for those sites. (This project was initiated and evolved through the efforts and research of Ms. Susan Mulllet)
- Issues regarding selection, acquisition, placement and significance of other arboreal additions were also discussed.
- Zeppe's Tavern and Pizzeria is planning a golf outing, with proceeds to be donated to the Veterans' Park Project.
- Shavings from road projects will be used as fill where needed. Additional fill currently stored on Road Department property will be moved to Park locations as needed, as well.
- Topographic work at the Park began today, with bull dozer work. Additional landscaping is scheduled to begin on Monday, July 10th.

<u>Fiscal Officer's Report</u>:
- Deferred; Officer is on vacation.

#### Road Department Report:

Road Superintendent not present; Mr. Quigley reported on current Road Dept. activities

## Park Board Report:

- Mr. Stefancin reported on recent and proposed electrical work at Oberland Park.
- Difficulties dealing with the lack of a water source at Oberland were discussed.
- Dennis' Painting & Decorating has submitted a proposal to power wash, scrub, and stain selected surfaces of the Oberland Pavilion. ACTION: A motion was made by Mr. Skomrock to accept the Dennis' Painting & Decorating proposal. The motion was seconded by Ms. Blair. Unanimous approval for the proposed sum of \$2400 was granted by the Trustees, for completion of the described work. It is planned for completion by the Community Picnic on July 15th.

#### Zoning:

Communication from Burton Heights Blvd. resident Mr. DiNardo was reviewed. Mr. DiNardo is has requested that, prior to his assigned incarceration on July 31, he be scheduled for a Zoning hearing regarding agricultural use of his property, and furthermore that the customary fee of \$300 for that hearing be waived. Discussion ensued. <u>ACTION</u>: Mr. Skomrock moved to decline the request for waiver of fee. Ms. Blair seconded that request. Unanimous approval to decline the fee waiver was granted by the Board of Trustees

### Review of Township Communications & Other Business:

- A Newbury resident has inquired about the possibility of a petition requesting alternative cable options for the southern portion of Auburn Road, citing inferior capability from the current franchised provider. Mr. Quigley has engaged both cable companies in discussions to explore the numerous legal, workforce, expense, contractual and other issues involved in relinquishing/realigning cable service providers. He will follow-up with the resident.
- A Munn Road resident has requested consideration be given regarding the ban of truck engine brakes on Munn Road, citing the noise nuisance they create. The safety advantages as well as the noise disruption factor were discussed at length by the Board. <u>ACTION</u>: Mr. Skomrock moved to deny the request to ban engine brakes on Munn Road, due to safety concerns. Ms. Blair seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to decline the request to ban engine brakes (on Munn Road) due to safety concerns. Mr. Skomrock will follow-up with the resident.
- Mr. Quigley reviewed recent communication regarding potential installation of surveillance cameras at the community recycling center. The cameras under consideration by the recycling company would be managed at a County level. There is no process in place at the present time, to manage that surveillance program. The issue remains under discussion; no action at this time.
- Sheriff's Report: 232 activities were reported for Newbury Township for the Month of June, 2017.
- The proposal for improvement of a 1-mile section of Hotchkiss Road has been approved.
- Mr. Quigley reported that a refund from the County's Tax Equalization Program of (approximately) \$30,000 has been received by the Township.

Mr. Skomrock was referred by local company, Sheffield Monument, to "Stone Hugger", a firm that specializes in cemetery restoration projects, and has done work in the area. That firm is scheduled to begin work at Munson Cemetery on July 19th. Mr. Skomrock is scheduled to meet with the Stone Hugger representative and will report back to the Trustees.

#### Lighting Program:

- Mr. Quigley reported that 86 LED lights will be ordered as part of the Street Light Improvement Program; installation efforts may take CEI a year to complete. Newbury is the first community in CEI's service area that has taken on an entire community-wide initiative. The initial outlay of \$25,886 will appreciate a 3.73-year payback, due to a 40% reduction in electrical costs. These LED lights are anticipated to offer a 20-year life-expectancy.

#### Crestview/Hillview Roads Drainage Issue:

-Drainage issues in this area have potential to negatively impact road integrity. Mr. Skomrock will follow-up with residents regarding discussed, proposed solutions.

#### Capital Improvements:

-Ms. Blair provided a summary of the current status of Town Hall improvements. Cleaning on the second floor continues. Habitat for Humanity will be removing donated items in the near future. The large conference table on the first floor will be moved to the second floor to accommodate Zoning needs. Purchase of a new conference table for the first floor was discussed. Jan will explore issues of the table's mar resistance with the carpenter. ACTION: Ms. Blair moved to approve the carpenter's proposal of \$2600 to build a new wood conference table for the Town Hall's first floor. Mr. Skomrock seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### Township Employee Wages:

- Township Employees last received a wage increase in 2015. Wage options were discussed. <u>ACTION</u>: Ms. Blair moved that Township Employees be granted an across the board pay raise of 1.5% effective July 1, 2017. Mr. Skomrock seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **Bicentennial Update:**

- Newbury Township has received special acknowledgement from the Ohio Senate, offering congratulations for the 200th Anniversary. Ms. Drabek reported that 6 bicentennial events have been completed in June. The next of the Historic Lecture Series, "The Interurban Railway" is scheduled July 12, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The Community Picnic is scheduled for Saturday, July 15 from 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.; planned activities and activities were discussed. Need for parking assistance and a plan to address the issue, were discussed.

Mr. Skomrock moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. Ms. Blair seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carole Drabek, Scribe

## Warrants approved by signing prior to or at this Meeting:

#### Warrant Number Date Payee Amount Status 143-2017 7/5/17 Janice M. Blair \$703.43 144-2017 7/5/17 Joseph Colini \$1,223.19 O 145-2017 7/5/17 Timothy H. Hegedus \$627.87 O 7/5/17 Randal O. Hollis 146-2017 \$1.188.58 O 7/5/17 Randal R. Hollis 147-2017 \$948.75 O 7/5/17 148-2017 Marge Hrabak \$115.29 O 149-2017 7/5/17 Michael J Joyce \$905.84 O 150-2017 7/5/17 John H. Mansfield \$783.05 O 7/5/17 Marcia J. Mansfield 151-2017 \$864.87 0 152-2017 7/5/17 Timothy A. Mansfield \$1,321.43 O 7/5/17 Glen E. Quigley \$838.54 O 153-2017 154-2017 7/5/17 William J. Skomrock Jr. \$564.76 O 7/5/17 155-2017 Susan R Wagner \$84.08 O \$1,447.51 156-2017 7/5/17 Douglas J. Zimperman 0 \$845.76 O 158-2017 7/5/17 Treasurer of State 159-2017 7/5/17 Middlefield Bank \$4.177.68 O 160-2017 6/30/17 Medical Mutual Of Ohio \$1,684.49 C 32472 6/23/17 Windstream \$420.37 0 32473 6/23/17 M.T. Business Technologies \$53.19 C 32474 6/23/17 Fisher Auto Parts \$498.62 C 32475 6/23/17 Alvord's Yard & Garden \$32.82 C 32476 6/23/17 Marshall Power Equipment \$23.58 C 32477 6/23/17 Han's Freightliner of Cleveland \$246.49 C

32478	6/29/17	U. S. Postmaster	\$70.00	0
32479	7/5/17	Delta Dental	\$36.32	0
32480	7/5/17	VSP	\$13.08	0
32481	7/5/17	Ohio Public Employees Deferred Comp. Program	\$410.00	0
32482	7/5/17	Ohio Public Employees Retirement System	\$7,418.51	Ο
32483	7/5/17	Business Card	\$571.75	Ο
32484	7/5/17	Universal Oil Inc.	\$479.60	Ο
32485	7/5/17	Ohio CAT	\$338.44	Ο
32486	7/5/17	Cleveland Plumbing Supply Co.	\$606.12	Ο
32487	7/5/17	Speedway SuperAmerica	\$40.83	Ο
32488	7/5/17	Kokosing Materials	\$4,752.28	Ο
32489	7/5/17	Boyd Tree, LLC	\$2,045.00	Ο
32490	7/5/17	Geauga Safety Council	\$180.00	Ο
32491	7/5/17	VSP	\$117.93	Ο
32492	7/5/17	Delta Dental	\$326.64	О
32493	7/5/17	Dominion East Ohio Gas	\$304.01	Ο
32494	7/5/17	Custom Electric Service, Inc.	\$125.00	О
32495	7/5/17	Iron Man Contractors Supply	\$279.99	V
32497	7/5/17	Newbury Volunteer Fire Department	\$80,000.00	0

# Purchase Orders approved by signing prior to or at this meeting:

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Number	Date	Vendor	Amount
45-2017	7/5/17	R.A.M. Construction	\$2,600.00
46-2017	7/6/17	McGill Septic Tank Co.	\$755.00

## Blanket Purchase Orders approved by signing prior to or at this meeting:

Glen Quigley - Chairman	William Skomrock, Jr Vice Chairman
Jan Blair	Marcia Mansfield – Fiscal Officer