

**ELIZABETH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18, 2017**

The Elizabeth Township Board of Trustees held a Regular Meeting on October 18, 2017 at 5710 E. Walnut Grove Road, Troy, Ohio at 7:00 p.m. William D. Sutherly, President, called the meeting to order. Fiscal Officer called the roll and the following members were present:

President	William D. Sutherly	ETCC	Zlata Garrison	Dep. Stine
Vice Pres.	John R. Ryman	FLP	Randy Mott	Dep. Force
Trustee	Greg D. Dilts-Absent	Zoning	Paul Hershberger	
Fiscal Officer	Mary Ann Mumford		Keith Keyser	

The following order of business was established:

- ITEM # 1 Meeting with representative from the Sheriff's Dept.
- ITEM # 2 Meeting with representative from EMS
- ITEM # 3 Meeting with representative from ETCC
- ITEM # 4 Meeting with representative from Farmland Preservation
- ITEM # 5 Meeting with representative from Zoning
- ITEM # 6 Presentation of the Meeting Minutes of October 4, 2017
- ITEM # 7 Presentation of Bills and Authorization for Payment.
- ITEM # 8 Fiscal Officer Report
- ITEM # 9 COMMITTEE REPORTS:
 - A. William D. Sutherly-Equipment and Cemeteries
 - B. John R. Ryman-Roads
 - C. Greg D. Dilts-Buildings and Personnel
- ITEM # 10 Any other business to be transacted.
- ITEM # 11 ADJOURNMENT

ITEM # 1 There was no new business to discuss. Mr. Sutherly said we've discussed the white Mustang with blue/black stripes, that is speeding in the area. Mr. Sutherly said a black Mustang is doing the same thing. The sheriff's department will be on the lookout for the Mustangs.

ITEM # 2 There was no new business to discuss

ITEM # 3 Zlata reported receipts of \$3,569.00 from October 2, - October 15, 2017. There are currently 408 members including spouses and dependents. Zlata asked the board if they decided on raises for herself and other ETCC employees, the board tabled the request.

ITEM # 4 Mr. Mott said the survey for the ODA farm has begun. Mr. Mott said closing instructions for the two USDA farms should be received by the end of the week.

Mr. Mott said the Gearhardt Farm at the corner of Walnut Grove and Hufford Road, across from Jill Gearhardt's has been approved for the ODA program.

Mr. Mott said the Mott Farm Auction listing states road frontage. The Mott Farm is in FRPP and building rights have been protected under the program. Mr. Mott said he would find out what the auctioneer is thinking, and will let him know the farm is in the program and cannot be split into building lots.

ITEM # 5 Mr. Hershberger had no new business. Mr. Sutherly said he received a complaint from the neighbor west of the grange, that the alley is being blocked. They're upset about Mr. Fiebiger

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putting up a fence along the alley. The board discussed putting up a sign that says Do Not Block Alley and/or putting in speed bumps. Mr. Ryman said he would contact Dan Baker for his recommendation.

ITEM # 6 The meeting Minutes of October 4, 2017 were approved as presented.

ITEM # 7 The fiscal officer submitted the bills for payment in the amount of \$113,428.60. A Motion by William D. Sutherly, Seconded by John R. Ryman, was made to approve payment in the amount of \$113,428.60 for the payment of bills as presented. VOTE: Mr. Dilts-Absent, Mr. Ryman-yes, Mr. Sutherly-yes. William D. Sutherly, President, declared the Motion carried.

ITEM # 8 Mary Ann shared various financial reports with the board and they were duly noted. Mary Ann asked board permission to transfer \$100,000.00 from both the usbank and Minster Bank Investment Accounts to the Minster Bank checking account General Fund for payment of bills. A Motion by John R. Ryman, Seconded by William D. Sutherly, to allow Mary Ann to transfer from both usbank and Minster Bank in the amount of \$100,000.00 each to the Minster Bank checking account General Fund for the payment of bills. VOTE: Mr. Dilts-Absent, Mr. Ryman-yes, Mr. Sutherly-yes. William D. Sutherly, President, declared the Motion carried.

Mary Ann said Virgil Wylie Distributing, have been bought out by Lykins Energy Solutions. A Motion by John R. Ryman, Seconded by William D. Sutherly, was made to continue purchasing diesel/fuel oil from Lykins Energy Solutions, who have bought out Virgil Wylie Distributing. VOTE: Mr. Dilts-Absent, Mr. Ryman-yes, Mr. Sutherly-yes. William D. Sutherly, President, declared the Motion carried. The board discussed that RD Holder is selling propane now. Mary Ann will call for details and compare them with Earhart.

ITEM # 9 COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A William D. Sutherly-Equipment and Cemeteries
- B. John R. Ryman-Roads
- C. Greg D. Dilts-Buildings and Personnel

Mr. Sutherly had no new business.

Mr. Ryman said BJ is going to mow the ditches one last time for the season and he has done some weed eating. Mr. Ryman said Frank is going to sharpen the blades on the mower. Mr. Ryman said he hasn't had the ditches sprayed. Mary Ann told Mr. Ryman we haven't been billed by Bethel Township for the brush cutting.

ITEM # 10 Mr. Mott said Earhart sold out to Mansfield Company. A Motion by John R. Ryman, Seconded by William D. Sutherly was made to purchase propane from Mansfield Company, who bought out Earhart Petroleum. VOTE: Mr. Dilts-Absent, Mr. Ryman-yes, Mr. Sutherly-yes. William D. Sutherly, President, declared the Motion carried.

Mr. Sutherly said he asked Mary Ann to send a Certified Letter to the Miami County Commissioners stating our interest in the Children's Home property, on the advice of Attorney Andrew Johnston. Mr. Sutherly said after the deed was read it appears that the property will go back to the Knoop Estate. Mr. Sutherly said he contacted William McGraw, who was the Knoop's attorney, and told him the township would be interested in the property if the Knoop Estate would be giving it away, rather than it going to the park district. Mr. McGraw asked Mr. Sutherly what the township would do with the property. Mr. Sutherly said he told him we would put it in Farm Land Preservation and then sell the property. Attorney Johnston suggested a title search on the property and that would determine if the property was to come back to the township. Cost of the title search would be \$300.00-\$400.00. Both attorneys said that a provision might be in place on the deed as to what direction the property goes, if something like this were to happen. Mr. Sutherly said if they don't find something on the deed, it might be dead in the water for the township. A Motion by John R. Ryman, Seconded by William D. Sutherly, was made to allow Attorney Johnston to move forward with the title search in the amount to be determined by the amount of time it takes for research. VOTE: Mr. Dilts-Absent, Mr. Ryman-yes, Mr. Sutherly-yes. William D. Sutherly, President, declared the Motion carried. The board discussed various comments that the county commissioners have made with the trustees as to what they think will happen to the property. Attorney McGraw and Attorney Johnston both believe that there should be something in writing that directs who is to get the property in an event such as this. Mr. Sutherly said he doesn't see the Knoop family wanting it, and Mr. Ryman said he could see the county selling it, instead of giving it to us to sell.

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ITEM # 11 With no other business to be transacted a Motion by William D. Sutherly, Seconded by John R. Ryman, was made to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

APPROVED: NOVEMBER 1, 2017

William D. Sutherly, President

John R. Ryman, Vice President

Greg D. Dilts, Trustee

Mary Ann Mumford, Fiscal Officer