Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Mrs. Heichel, here; Mr. Welch, here; Mr. Flaherty, here; Mr. Estep, here.
The regular meeting of the Blendon Township Board of Trustees was called to order
at 6:30pm. Mrs. Heichel moved to approve and waive the reading of the minutes as
presented for the October 19, 2016, meeting. Mr. Welch seconded. Roll Call: Mr.
Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Welch, yes. Blendon/Westerville Fire Chief also
attended. The Purchase Orders and Cemetery Deeds were signed by the Board.

Administrator's Report:

Mr. Rhodes updated the Board on the following: JEDZ Board met last Wednesday, with
Mayor Lynn Eisentout of Minerva Park and council, and a representative of MI Homes.
They have requested help with a plan for their income tax. The JEDZ Board authorized Mr.
Rhoads to go in touch with Attorney Don Brosius for options. Developers are meeting
tomorrow for potential building out east. Next Monday is the MORPC meeting.

Communications:

1. Update Reports to the Board- E-mailed from the Directors.
2. Board of Health- CNS Carryout Warning Letter.

Old Business:

1. Project Update- Mr. Rhodes updated the Board on our many projects in
progress: More asphalt has been laid in the complex. Planting of trees has started.
Channel concrete has been poured in the retention basin. Blocks for landscaping
of the wall on State Route 3 have been delivered. Median work close to 270
overpass will begin next week at night.

2. Survey/Calendar Update- Mr. Flaherty discussed the resident survey, with the
staff looking at it for any additional questions for their departments. Time table
for completion is within a few weeks, to put with a coded postcard for our next
newsletter, along with the new cemetery brochure. The goal is to pick up residents
that don’t do social media, so we have both, and work with the homeowner
associations, newsletter and websites. A quick turn-a-round is the plan. Final
calendar is almost ready to go to the printers.

3. Police Renewal update- Mr. Flaherty and Mr. Estep discussed an early police
levy. Perhaps a May levy, so first of next year, we need start gearing up.

New Business:

1. Resolution NU-19-16 - 4143 Valley Quail Blvd N-. Mr. Rhodes requested the
Board adopt this resolution for high weeds. Mr. Welch moved to adopt
Resolution NU-19-16, 4143 Valley Quail Blvd., North, due to high vegetation.
Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr.
Welch, yes.

Director/Staff Updates:

Mr. Giamarco discussed the change of time this weekend and the changes happening day-to-
day in the complex and cemetery. He is planning a book documenting the transformation.

Fire Chief Miller noted, with the changing of clocks to change your fire detection batteries.
The cold weather is coming so always monitor your heating devices and fire places.

Mrs. Bowman discussed perhaps checking into a tracking management system to help
monitor activities and events at the Senior Center. Also, less of a crowd at the Bean and Ham
Dinner, but came in handy for Friday lunch! A “thank you” from the seniors for finishing the
parking lot and now easier to park. We gained 20 new members with 4 from the Township.

Chief Belford discussed the success of the Halloween party at Ridgewood Park with no lost
children or injuries, and a “thank you” to HRAA for their candy donation for “Beggars
Night”. The Heroin Outreach program was well-attended with a grass roots program started,
which is exactly what we were trying to accomplish. Saturday, November 5th, is our
Women’s Self-defense Class in the Senior Center and McDonald’s “Coffee with a Cop” on
Executive Parkway. With this November 8th voting, he met with the Franklin County
Prosecutors Office and Homeland Defense so our officers are prepared for any events that
may not happen.
Open Floor:

Mrs. Cordray, 3734 Caracas Dr., shared numbers from the Halloween Party: 377 registered children, under 11 years of age with adults: 66 volunteers, 4 township staff volunteers and Fire Chief Miller, along with unregistered attendees a conservative crowd of 500, which is considered a success. Our donations totaled $1,894.00 in value with Kroger supplying water and hot dog buns, Sam’s Club, and Walmart supplying merchandise. Prize donations and the 50/50 raffle of $150.00, to a $75.00 split. 16 neighbors and Huber Ridge residents donated 27 large bags of candy, along with a box of Hershey bars. Block Watch meetings, in partnership with HRAA and Sunbury Woods Neighborhood Watch for block watch training, are scheduled at the Senior Center for Saturday, November 12th, 10am till noon, and Tuesday, November 15th, 6:30-8:30pm. The class is called “Safe and Secure On-line” with Dan Houser, an IT tech will focus on users of the internet. Eventually he will consider seniors at a later date.

Mrs. Ricker, 5561 Oslo Dr., had questions regarding turn off of water in cemetery and a house repair in the community.

Mr. Wentzel and Mr. Davis of Ingleside Drive, discussed the gravel and new road conditions and Mr. Giamarco will put it on a punch list when he meets with Franklin County. Chief Belford discussed a follow-up with monitoring traffic.

Pay bills: Mr. Flaherty moved to pay the bills. Mrs. Heichel seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Flaherty, yes; Mrs. Heichel, yes; Mr. Welch, yes.

The attached list of checks was approved for payment. Being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:57pm.

Mr. Flaherty noted that the next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, November 16, 2016, at 6:30pm.

Approved by: Wade L. Estep, Fiscal Officer

Approved by: Stewart L. Flaherty, Chairman