

Minutes
LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Special Meeting
October 27, 2019 at 1:00 P.M.

The Lafayette Township Board of Trustees, Medina County, Ohio met in special session, October 27, 2019 at the Safety Services Building, Technology Lane, Medina, OH. Notice of this meeting was consistent with ORC 121.22 and the township's open meeting policy.

Meeting called to order by commencement of an open house for the public for the Lafayette Township Safety Services Building welcoming guests at approximately 1:00 p.m. until approximately 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Trustee Lynda Bowers, Trustee Michael Costello, Trustee Martin Warchola, Fiscal Officer Shirley Bailey.

Others Present: Senator Larry Obhof, Medina County Prosecutor Forrest Thompson, Medina County Commissioners Patricia Geissman, Bill Hutson, Adam Friedrich (fmr), Chippewa Lake Village Council Keith Riedel and Alan Robbins, Chatham Twp. Trustee Denise Gumbita, York Township Trustee Rick Monroe, Medina City Finance Director Keith Dirham, Seville Fire Chief Brad Winter and an estimated 250 Lafayette Township Residents.

The United States Flag was presented by Boy Scout Troup 518, St. Marks Lutheran Church. Susie Everiss sang the National Anthem. Former Medina County Commissioner Adam Friedrich gave an invocation. Emergency services consultant Bill Kramer and Architect Ed McCall made comments on processes and work leading up to the construction of the building. Trustee Marty Warchola and Lafayette Resource Officer, Kim Detchon thanked the township residents for asking for and supporting construction of the facility and recognized businesses making donations to the building: Wal-Mart, Sealy Mattress, Drug Mart & Love Inc. Trustee Bowers introduced Medina County Commissioner Patricia Geissman. Commissioner Geissman explained how and why the site was donate to the township, thanked the township for the extraordinary services the township provides to the County and congratulated the community on placing the facility into service. Trustee Bowers thanked Senate President Larry Obhof for successfully pursuing a change in the Ohio Revised Code that allows the township to develop and provide a community paramedicine service. Lafayette Fire Chief Jeff Hall and Seville Fire Chief Brad Winter gave comments. Trustee Costello thanked the residents for supporting the project and recognized the first responders who will be immediately serving from the facility. Trustee Costello and Jimmy Connors advised that the time capsule would be sealed in the training room following presentations. Bag pipe musician, Len Porter, played. Trustees Bowers, Costello and Warchola thanked everyone for attending, invited them to enjoy refreshments and trunk or treat for the children and the north bay doors were opened for attendees to watch Metro Life Flight make its inaugural landing on the helipad.

Trustee Bowers made a motion seconded by Trustee Warchola to request the fiscal officer move up to \$30,000 as necessary before the end of the year into the General Fund and making a supplemental appropriation of 30,000 to the budget stabilization account. All voting in favor, motion passed.

Trustee Bowers made a motion seconded by Trustee Costello that for the purposes of calculating the rate of elected official salary, the debt and payments for the safety services building for the years 2019, 2020 will not be included in the annual budget total. All voting in favor, motion passed. It is important to note this action is made of record for auditing and compliance purposes as the basis for paying/receiving a

lower rate than that established by statute based on budget. Said lower rate is accepted and agreed to by all four elected officials.

The meeting was closed at 4:04 p.m.

Approved:

Lynda Bowers, Trustee

Shirley Bailey, Fiscal Officer

Michael Costello, Trustee

Martin Warchola, Trustee