

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL SESSION

Held: March 10, 2017

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These are an unofficial Draft of the Minutes. NO VOTE TAKEN The Board of Sheffield Township Trustees of Sheffield Township convened in special session from 5:00 P.M. to 5:45 P.M. in the Sheffield Township Administrative Building 5166 Clinton Ave. Lorain, OH 44055. Chariman Chad Parsons called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present: **DRAFT ONLY NO VOTE TAKEN**

Mr. Timothy Mihalcik	Present	Ms. Patricia Echko	Present
Mr. Chad Parsons	Present		
EMPLOYEES: Billy Rehoreg, Cindy Caldwell			
VISITORS: Debbie Mihalcik, Diana Tolvay, Heidi Adkins, Sally Van Nuys, Ted Adkins			

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Parsons; the pledge to the flag was recited; and a moment of silent reflection was observed. The roll call was taken Trustees Parsons and Mihalcik were present along with Fiscal Office Patricia Echko. This is a special meeting: the date and time was set at the February 20, 2017 regular meeting.

Trustee Parsons explained the meeting is being held to appoint a Trustee to serve out the interim term of the deceased Trustee Horton. This interim term begins immediately and will end with the results of the General Election to be held in November. He said he it was a hard decision "because there were so many qualified candidates". Mihalcik also said this was a very hard decision for him, probably the hardest decision he has had to make during his time as a Trustee. He said a Trustee needs "street smarts" not a college education. He wanted to appoint someone already experienced as a Trustee, "if the people of the Township don't like it they can lump it". Resident Diana Tolvay, questioned Mihalcik about the type of experience a Trustee would need. He said he gets many calls. For example, people call because cars are speeding down the street. A Trustee can't do anything about it so they would need to call the Sheriff. He said if there is a dog barking and you get the complaint, there is nothing you can do about it. A Trustee needs to know who to contact to report the problem. Trustee Mihalcik said he was lucky because his brother Steven was a Trustee. Diana Tolvay said it seemed like the job would be easy to learn. He said you also have to put up with people hanging up on you and yelling. Trustee Mihalcik also stated none of the applicants have been to a meeting over the past year. He directed his comments to Sally VanNuys, one of the applicants in the audience saying if you haven't been sitting in the township meetings, don't sit there waving your hand saying "pick me, pick me" Ms. VanNuys gave no response to his comment.

Fiscal Officer Echko asked for a point of order to correct Trustee Mihalcik comments. Barbara Burrill Horton, one of the applicants and wife of our deceased Trustee was present for at least 2 of our meeting during the past year. Trustee Mihalcik said he and Trustee Parsons had a lot of conversation over this matter. Trustee Mihalcik said Trustees are one of a kind and he was looking with someone with "township smarts". Trustee Parsons said he was sad about Trustee Horton.

A motion and 2nd was made to go into executive session to discuss the appointment. A roll call vote was taken 2 ayes. Votes were: Mr. Timothy Mihalcik, Aye; Mr. Chad Parsons, Aye. **General (2370-17)**
A motion and 2nd was made to return to the regular order of business. A roll call vote was taken 2 ayes. Votes were: Mr. Timothy Mihalcik, Aye; Mr. Chad Parsons, Aye. **General (2371-17)**

Trustee Mihalcik made a motion to appoint David Newsome to serve as interim Trustee until the November 2017 election. Heidi Adkins asked Trustee Mihalcik why he would do such a thing, when the Township voted Mr. Newsome out of office when Trustee Horton won. Trustee Mihalcik said Newsome only lost by 2 votes so he feels he is the best replacement. Ted Adkins cited there was a third candidate that got at least 80 votes so Newsome didn't just lose by 2. Ted said people voting for Albert Branham were voting for change and wanted Newsome out. Trustee Mihalcik stated he was fixing what when wrong with the election. He continued, Mark Horton should never have been elected in the first place, and it is only because of the help of that person (he pointed at Fiscal Officer Patricia Echko). Mihalcik went on to say when Parsons ran, he did it on his own, when Billy Rehoreg ran, he did it on his own, he didn't get a group of people to help him and spend a lot of money. Heidi Adkins asked, "what is his point", to which Mihalcik said he always had to do it on his own, no one helped him. Heidi then stated when people voted for Mark, Pat Echko didn't push all the button casting everyone's vote. Trustee Parsons interrupted the exchange and said we need to get back to why we are here. Trustee Parsons said he did interview the several candidates he wanted to interview. He looked at every resume; reviewed every resume; spoke with everyone who personally applied and said he's going to vote for Dave Newsome to fill this term until November, at which it is up to the people. He then asked to adjourn.

Miss Echko interrupted and told them they should vote first before they adjourn. A motion and 2nd was made to appoint David Newsome to serve as interim Trustee until the November 2017 election. A roll call vote was taken 2 ayes. Votes were: Mr. Timothy Mihalcik, Aye; Mr. Chad Parsons, Aye. **General (2372-17)**

The meeting was adjourned till March 20, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at the Sheffield Township Administrative Building 5166 Clinton Ave. Lorain, OH 44055. **DRAFT... NOT APPROVED FOR LACK OF A SECOND MOTION, NO VOTE WAS TAKEN.**

Mr. Chad Parsons

Ms. Patricia Echko

All formal actions of the Board of Sheffield Township Trustees of Sheffield Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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