

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of **MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES** Meeting

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Held

**August 12,**

**2019**

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Chair Stewart called the Mifflin Township Board of Trustees Special Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, August 12, 2019 with Trustee Angelou, Trustee Cavener and Township Administrator White present. Also present were DJ Tharp, Service Director, and Rick Duff, Assistant to the Fiscal Officer. Absent was Mr. Joseph Spanovich, Fiscal Officer.

Ms. Marissa Myers, Director of Governmental Affairs, Ohio Township Association, was an invited guest.

Administrator White said a requirement of the Ohio Revised Code is two public hearings must occur prior to imposing the vehicle license tax fee of \$5.00. She said today's meeting is the first of two required public meetings; the second meeting will occur at the regular trustees meeting on August 20, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. Administrator White said this meeting is an opportunity for the public to express concerns or learn about the proposed fee.

Mr. Angelou said let the record show that we have complied with the meeting requirement.

Chair Stewart said let the record show that the revenue to be generated from the vehicle license tax \$5 fee is about the same amount that was lost from the local government fund. Chair Stewart said that the fee puts us close to whole again. This collected fee revenue will be used on the much-needed maintenance of township roads, she said.

Ms. Myers said an approved resolution is needed for the vehicle license tax fee and it is ultimately subject to a referendum. She said the \$5 levy will remain for perpetuity or until it is repealed or overturned. Ms. Myers said the resolution should be submitted to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) when passed. She said the resolution must be submitted by July 1 for the year preceding collection. For example, if Mifflin Township would have wanted to collect for the year 2020, the resolution should have been submitted by July 1, 2019, she said. Ms. Myers explained, if Mifflin trustees submit the resolution before July 1, 2020, it will go into effect January 1, 2021.

Ms. Myers said the trustees could also hold public hearings for the first of the two opportunities for a \$5 vehicle license tax that was not pursued but is still available. She said the process would be the same: advertising, two public hearings and an approved resolution.

Chair Stewart thanked Ms. Myers for her contribution to the meeting.

There being no further business, at 9:08 a.m. Mr. Cavener moved to adjourn. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned.

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Lynn M. Stewart, Chair

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Richard J. Angelou, Vice Chairman

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Kevin J. Cavener, Trustee

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Joseph F. Spanovich, Fiscal Officer