

BUTLER COUNTY TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES
ROSS TOWNSHIP
JANUARY 8, 2009

President Christine Matacic called the meeting to order.

The Ross Township Board was introduced. Ross Township Board President Tom Willsey introduced employees from Ross Township who were in attendance.

Mr. Willsey thanked First Financial Bank for sponsoring the dinner and introduced their representatives in attendance: Jason Leyda, Robin Carey and Alisa Miller.

Mrs. Matacic asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2008 meeting. Upon motion by Mr. Wurzelbacher and seconded by Mrs. Yordy, the members voted to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion passed.

Judy Huffman gave the Treasurer's Report.

At the November 13th meeting the Association had a balance of:	\$ 7,681.00
Since that time \$500.00 was collected related to the Golf Outing.	500.00
2009 dues collected	3,950.00
	\$12,131.00
Expenses	
Postage	37.38
Dues sent to OTA	2,040.00
TOTAL IN CHECKING	\$10,053.62
CD Due 7-6-09	25,000.00
TOTAL	\$35,053.62

It was reported that all Butler County Township elected officials are paid for 2009. Only 55 Associate Members have paid.

A second notice will be sent out to Associate Members.

Mrs. Matacic asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Upon motion by Mr. Daniel and seconded by Mr. Conrad the members voted to approve the report. The motion passed.

Mrs. Matacic introduced guest Former Representative for the 53rd District Shawn Webster and thanked him for his service.

Mrs. Matacic introduced the following Association Members in attendance and they in turn gave reports.

- * Former Hanover Township Trustee Tim Derickson was introduced as the newly elected Representative for the 53rd District and reported he is looking forward to the work ahead.
- * State Representative Tim Derickson introduced Larry Miller who will replace Mr. Derickson as Trustee for Hanover Township.
- * BC Commissioner Chuck Furman reported he was happy to be in attendance and had no other report.
- * BC Auditor Roger Reynolds had to leave the meeting and was not available for a report.
- * Mike Tilton from the Auditor's Office reported tax bills have been delayed but should be mail soon. Fiscal Officers can ask for an advance if their township needs one.
- * Scott Bressler from the BC Engineer's Office reported snow and ice control is going well and there has not been a problem receiving salt.
- * Roger Gates from the BC Prosecutor's Office reported the Civil Division has moved to the 10th Floor of the Government Services Building.

* Butler County Emergency Management Agency Director Bill Turner his last day with the Agency will be March 2, 2009.

* David Saunders from BC Transportation Improvement District reported work continues on the Liberty Interchange and By Pass 4 widening.

* Tim Abbott from Duke Energy stated he hoped there would be no further ice or wind storms. Mr. Abbott also stated SB 221 provides for an Electric Security Plan that will keep electric rates lower over time than going to market based rates. The generation prices will increase 2% in 2009, 2% in 2010 and 0% in 2011.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN REPORT

Tom Willsey reported HB 458 was passed on December 30, 2008. This bill allows the use of General

Fund money to be used for road repairs and allows the reimbursement of township funds for health care premiums for spouses.

Mr. Willsey reported the Winter Conference held in Columbus will take place February 4th thru the 7th. The conference banquet has been eliminated and replaced with a more casual event, a barbeque. The Butler County Township Association's Hospitality Room will be located on the 11th floor of the Crown.

Mr. Willsey stated he has placed on the website information on what is needed for the Hospitality Room and would like volunteers to pick a list and make the required purchases. All bills should be turned over to Judy Huffman for reimbursement.

Summer Conference will be held July 29th thru August 1st in Marietta this year. Due to low attendance this will be the last Summer Conference to take place. The Board is working on some form of replacement, possible four one day conference held in various locations across the state.

Mr. Willsey asked the Association to pass a resolution approving an annual \$100.00 donation from the Butler County Township Association to the OTA's Scholarship Fund.

RESOLUTION

Upon motion by Mr. Willsey and seconded by Mrs. Huffman the Association approve an annual donation of \$100.00 to the Ohio Township Association's Scholarship Fund. The motion passed.

Mr. Willsey recognized Reily Trustee Nick Schwab as a candidate to the OTARMA Board and asked that all Members give him their support.

Mrs. Maticic gave her OKI report:

OKI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING REPORT - 1-8-09

President's Report (Christine Maticic) □

Thanked the Board and Staff for their assistance over the last two years. (Note: This was my last meeting as President of OKI - two years has really flown by).

Executive Director's Report (Mark Policinski) □

Brent Spence Bridge - Preliminary study is now in draft form and they hope to have their limited preferred alternatives to the advisory committee by the end of January. Once accepted, there will be a need to submit funding requests to Congress for final design and preliminary construction. American Planning Association has given OKI their national award for a "Hard Won Victory" for OKI's study and cooperative efforts with New Miami and St. Clair Township on the initiatives undertaken to preserve the aquifer.

Federal Highway Administration Review - Every four years OKI goes through a review process and the FHWA conducted the review in December. The review went very well and OKI was

complimented on a number of practices - the Prioritization Process and their Public Outreach to name a few.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT (Brian Cunningham) □

Economic Stimulus Package - There was hope that this would be ready for President-elect Obama when he took office on January 20. It has slid back to mid to late February. It is estimated the package could be as much as \$650B-\$1T. The package will include projects for transportation infrastructure, but some will also be available for waste water, schools, public buildings, and the nation's power grid.

Transportation Funding Bill - This is a six year bill that may be at the \$500B level. Since it has been stated it will not come from the General Fund, other sources of tax funding will be open for discussion and they include, but not limited to, gasoline tax, congestion pricing, vehicle miles traveled. Note that the current Transportation Reauthorization will expire in September, 2009.

Presentation □ No Action Needed -

Freight Working Group - Robbyn Bancroft presented an overview presentation on the status of global, national and regional freight movements. This presentation will be given to various groups throughout our region.

Homeland Security GIS Update - David Shuey presented work OKI has been doing in coordination with regional Homeland Security in GIS layers to support Homeland Security and transportation planning efforts in our region.

Resolutions □ 2009-1 □ Resolution for Amendment #13 to the FY 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). It reflects 3 highway projects in Ohio, 2 highway projects in Indiana and 5 transit entries that are recommended for addition or revision in the current TIP. - Motion Passed

Election of 2009 Officers and Budget Committee -

President Steve Pendery

First Vice President Edwin Humphrey

Second Vice President Mike Juengling

Treasurer Kenneth F. Reed

Past President Christine L. Matacic

Secretary Mark R. Policinski

Budget Committee -

Gray W. Moore, Boone County Fiscal Court

Gregory Jolivet, Butler County Board of Commissioners

Steve Pendery, Campbell County Fiscal Court/President

Edwin Humphrey, Clermont County Board of Commissioners/First Vice President

Jeff L. Hughes, Dearborn County Board of Commissioners

Todd Portune, Hamilton County Board of Commissioners

Ralph Drees, Kenton County Fiscal Court

David G. Young, Warren County Board of Commissioners

Christine Matacic, Butler County Association of Township Trustees and Clerks/Past President

Roxanne Qualls, Cincinnati, Ohio

Kenneth F. Reed, Resident Member/Treasurer

Michael Juengling, Butler County Planning Commission/Second Vice President

Next Meeting of OKI Executive Committee - Thursday, February 12, 2009 □ 10:30 AM □ OKI Board Room

It was noted the Association's Annual Golf Outing date will be July 31st this year. It was noted the outing will take place during the Summer Conference.

Mrs. Matacic asked for volunteers to serve on the ADHOC Committee.

ADHOC Committee: Tom Willsey, Gary Salmon, Alan Daniel and Bill Kennel.

Finance Committee: Judy Huffman, Christine Matacic and Jerry Miller

The Association was asked to make appointments to the HAZMAT Board and the LEPA Board. Upon motion by Alan Daniel and seconded by Tom Willsey the Association voted to appoint Dennis Conrad to the HAZMAT Board and Nick Schwab to the LEPA Board. The motion passed.

At this time the meeting was turned over to Guest Speaker Sue Walpole, Community Relations Manager from the Fernald Preserve who gave a report on the transformation of the DOE's Uranium Processing Plant into the Fernald Preserve.

The March 12th meeting of the Butler County Township Association will also include the Annual Board of Health Meeting and will be hosted by St. Clair Township.

Upon motion by Mr. Wurzelbacher and seconded by Mr. Frimerman the meeting was adjourned.

Attendance: 24 Members
26 Associate Members
6 Guests