

The Board of Trustees of Sugarcreek Township, Greene County, Ohio, in Regular Session on April 18, 2016, at 7:00 pm, at 2090 Ferry Road, Bellbrook, Ohio 45305.

1. Mr. Pittman called the session to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Mr. Hodson called the roll with Board Members Mike Pittman, Nadine Daugherty and Carolyn Destefani being present.
3. All rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
4. Recognize Sports Teams of Bellbrook High School

Mr. Pittman said we wish to Honor several of our High School Athletes for their outstanding success this year. Mr. Pittman said a very successful athlete had once said that he attributed his success to four things. He said number three and four were hard work and team work. He said number two was preparation and number one was discipline. He said the effort you have put forth and what you have accomplished will serve you well as a great stepping stone in life.

A. BHS Wrestling Team

Resolution #2016.04.18.01

WHEREAS, to be a great athlete and to be a great coach you need to have commitment, dedication and determination; and,

WHEREAS, over the years Bobby Kosins, Don Tharpe, Ron Wiederholt and Tyler Wiederholt have proven their commitment, dedication and determination to be great coaches and athletes; and,

WHEREAS, Bobby Kosins, head coach of Wrestling at Bellbrook High School, was named Division II All Ohio Coach of the Year, and also named Division II All Area Coach of the Year; and,

WHEREAS, Don Tharpe, Assistant Coach of Wrestling was named Division II All Area Assistant Coach of the Year; and,

WHEREAS, Ron Wiederholt, Assistant Coach of Wrestling was named Division II All Area Assistant Coach of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Tyler Wiederholt, senior at Bellbrook High School, competed at the State level and achieved the title of 2016 State Champion in the 182 lb. weight division.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this Sugarcreek Township Board of Trustees would like to offer congratulations to Bobby Kosins, Don Tharpe, Ron Wiederholt and Tyler Wiederholt for their coaching and athletic achievements in 2016 and wishes them many years of continued success in the future.

Mr. Pittman moved to accept the Resolution as presented. Mrs. Daugherty seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mrs. Daugherty - Yes
Mrs. Destefani – Yes
Mr. Pittman – Yes

Mr. Pittman said he wrestled at the State level when he was in High School and knows the effort and commitment that has to be put forth. He congratulated the Coaches and Mr. Wiederholt for their achievements.

Mrs. Destefanie said she was glad to see so many present tonight and this was one of her best Trustee meeting so far.

Mrs. Daugherty said she was a graduate of Bellbrook High School and was proud of them.

The Coaches and Tyler came forward and were personally Congratulated by the Board and Staff. There were all presented with a signed copy of the Resolution honoring them.

B. BHS Swim Team

Resolution #2016.04.18.02

WHEREAS, to be a great athlete and to be a great coach you need to have commitment, dedication and determination; and,

WHEREAS, over the years Coach Rob Johnson, and his team members of Meghan Bobick, Savannah Briley, Anna Hesseman, Cole Huggard, Holly Hulett, John Sampson, Henry Wong, and Cody Bybee have proven their commitment, dedication and determination to be great coaches and athletes; and,

WHEREAS, Rob Johnson, head coach of Swimming at Bellbrook High School, was named Division II All Ohio Coach of the Year, and Southwest Ohio District Coach of the Year; and,

WHEREAS, all members of the Swim Team competed at the State level in 2016; and,

WHEREAS, John Sampson, competed and finished as State Runner-up for the 100 Meter Backstroke; and,

WHEREAS, Cody Bybee, competed and finished as the State Champion in the events of 200 Meter Freestyle and also 100 Meter Butterfly.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this Sugarcreek Township Board of Trustees would like to offer congratulations to Rob Johnson, John Sampson, Cody Bybee and the members of the Swim Team for their coaching and outstanding athletic achievements in the 2016 season and wishes them many years of continued success in the future.

Mrs. Daugherty moved to accept the Resolution as presented. Mr. Pittman seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mrs. Daugherty - Yes
Mrs. Destefani – Yes
Mr. Pittman – Yes

Coach Johnson and members of the swim team came forward and were personally congratulated by the Board and Staff. All were presented with signed copies of the Resolution.

C. BHS Competition Cheerleading

Resolution #2016.04.18.03

WHEREAS, to be a great athlete and to be a great coach you need to have commitment, dedication and determination; and,

WHEREAS, over the past year Coach Debi Schwieterman and team members Riley Allen, Emily Apgar, Maddy Froehlich, Emma Garrett, Gaby Gerbic, Madison Minchew, Mackenzie Pelfrey, Michaela Pittman, Marissa Schatzel, Natalie Stein, Madi Weaver have proven their commitment, dedication and determination to be great coaches and athletes; and,

WHEREAS, the Competition Cheerleading Team at Bellbrook High School was a State Qualifier during the 2016 OASSA State Cheerleading and Dance Championships.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this Sugarcreek Township Board of Trustees would like to offer congratulations to the Competition Cheerleading Team for their cheerleading achievements in 2016 and wishes them many years of continued success in the future.

Mr. Pittman moved to accept the Resolution as presented. Mrs. Destefanie seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mrs. Daugherty - Yes
Mrs. Destefani – Yes
Mr. Pittman – Yes

Coach Schwieterman and members of the swim team came forward and were personally congratulated by the Board and Staff. All were presented with signed copies of the Resolution. Mr. Pittman said Mrs. Schwieterman still looks the same as when she coached his daughter.

D. BHS Girls Basketball Team

Resolution #2016.04.18.04

WHEREAS, to be a great athlete and to be a great coach you need to have commitment, dedication and determination; and,

WHEREAS, over the past year Coach Jason Tincher and team members Kallie Kramer, Kylee Parker, Lauren Redfern, Cassidy Bereda, Cassidy Hofacker, Bekah Vine, Gabby Ozoude, Olivia Greathouse, Gabby Boyer, Stephanie Dorn, and Claire Fryman have proven their commitment, dedication and determination to be great coaches and athletes; and,

WHEREAS, Coach Jason Tincher was named SWBL Coach of the Year and District 15 Coach of the Year in 2016; and,

WHEREAS, the Girl's Basketball Team at Bellbrook High School was undefeated in their conference, achieved national ranking status, and finished the season as District Champion with an overall record of 26-1, setting a new school record.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this Sugarcreek Township Board of Trustees would like to offer congratulations to Coach Tincher and the Girls Basketball Team for their outstanding achievements in 2016 and wishes them many years of continued success in the future.

Mrs. Destefani moved to accept the Resolution as presented. Mr. Pittman seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mrs. Daugherty - Yes
Mrs. Destefani – Yes
Mr. Pittman – Yes

Mrs. Daugherty said the team had an amazing year and she was proud of them.

Mrs. Destefani said she had children in high school and knew some of the girls. She said this was an awesome accomplishment.

Mr. Pittman said this was a great accomplishment for the team and the coach. He said he knows Jason really enjoys coaching and does a fantastic job.

Mrs. Destafani said three of the girls were on crutches tonight but weren't when they were on the team.

Mr. Tincher and attending team members came forward and were personally congratulated by the Board and Staff. They were all presented with a signed copy of the Resolution.

5. Appointment of Part-time Firefighter II EMT B Michael Officer

Resolution #2016.04.18.07

WHEREAS, the continuing need exists to maintain proper staffing within the Sugarcreek Township Fire Department; and,

WHEREAS, vacancies exist within the classification of part-time Firefighter/EMT; and,

WHEREAS, Michael Officer has the necessary qualifications to serve in the capacity of part-time Firefighter II/EMT-B for the Sugarcreek Township Fire Department; and,

WHEREAS, Chief Leaming, in his April 12, 2016, correspondence to the Township Administrator, has recommended the appointment of this candidate; and,

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose within the Fire Department's 2016 Operating Budget.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Michael Officer shall be appointed to the position of part-time Firefighter II/EMT-B within the Sugarcreek Township Fire Department, effective April 18, 2016, at the pay rate of \$12.36 per hour, payable on a bi-weekly basis, and subject to a one (1) year probationary period ending April 18, 2017.

Mrs. Daugherty moved to accept the Resolution as presented. Mr. Pittman seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mrs. Daugherty - Yes
Mrs. Destefani – Yes
Mr. Pittman – Yes

Mrs. Daugherty told Mr. Officer he was joining a great group of firefighters.
Mr. Pittman said he hopes this works out to be a long term relationship.

Mr. Officer came forward and was personally welcomed by the Board and Staff. His picture was taken with the Board, Chief Leaming, his Dad and others attending on his behalf.

5. **Reports**

A. Administration

Mr. Tiffany's report will be appended to the permanent record. He said he and Mrs. Destefani went to Columbus to protest a House Bill regarding Type II annexation. He said, currently under Type II the townships continue to receive tax dollars. He said the new bill, being introduced, would terminate tax revenue after five years. Mr. Pittman asked if others were present to protest. Mr. Tiffany said there were. Mrs. Destefani said the testimony hearings are a little different. She said all testimony 'for' are heard one day and all 'against' another day. Mr. Tiffany said there may be another day set for additional testimony. Mr. Pittman asked Mr. Tiffany if he was getting help with the insurance renewals. He said that Annemarie was attending the meetings. Mrs. Daugherty asked how the rate increases looked. Mr. Tiffany said they are currently around 6% but he is not happy with it. He said there may be another meeting next week.

He said not everyone voted on the current individual rates. Mr. Tiffany also said we are looking to start a wellness program that will also further reduce our rate.

Mrs. Daugherty asked about the Cub Foods facility. Mr. Tiffany said he will know after tomorrow but will not be able to divulge any information until after the deal is consolidated.

B. Fiscal Office

Mr. Hodson said he had nothing to report.

C. Fire

The report prepared by the Fire Department will be appended to the permanent record. Chief Leaming said the Department has two new medical directors, Dr. Riggs and Dr. Lemos. Mrs. Daugherty asked about the Maple Festival. Chief Leaming said they will be doing two extrication demonstrations at the Festival. He said both will be at 2:00 pm. One will be on Saturday and the other on Sunday.

Mr. Pittman asked about the Feedire Road upgrade. Chief Leaming said he was told they will keep two lanes open on Wilmington. Mr. Tiffany said they are re-aligning Feedwire with Whipp Road. He said they will add another turn lane to Whipp and an additional lane to Wilmington between Feedwire and Brown Road.

Chief Leaming said the Department will be doing fire hydrant flushing through May and June. He said it will be put on the web site. Mr. Pittman said we could also put it in the Newsletter.

D. Police

The report prepared by the Police Department will be appended to the permanent record. Chief Brown said the drug drop off will be April 30th from 10:00am to 2:00 pm. He said it has been posted to the Website and posters have been put up in several business sites.

E. Roads and Services

The report for Roads and Services will be appended to the permanent record. Mr. Tiffany said the Road Department has been very busy crack sealing. He said they have gone through three skids of crack seal, which is a lot.

F. Zoning

There is no zoning report due to Cara's leave of absence. Mrs. Destefani asked if the walk -to-school event was this Friday at 9:00 am. Mr. Tiffany said it was. Mrs. Daugherty asked if Cara would be there. Mr. Tiffany said she would. He said Cara is back and will work her way back to her normal schedule over the next few weeks.

G. Information Technology

The report prepared by Mr. Zappanti will be appended to the permanent record. Mr. Zappanti said he had nothing additional to add.

H. Trustees

Mrs. Daugherty said she had nothing to report but said there were a lot of exciting things going on with the Bi-centennial.

Mrs. Destafani said there will be two Trustees in the Maple Festival Parade. Herself and Mrs. Daugherty. She said she has spent quite a bit of time meeting with different families about the Safe Routes to Schools bike path.

Mr. Pittman asked if the Lions have not been putting up as many banners as usual. Mrs. Destefani said she thinks they are using the wheel signs for notification.

7. **Public Comments – Agenda Items**

None.

8. **Old Business**

None

9. **New Business**

Consent Agenda Items

A. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Pittman moved to approve the Minutes of the previous meeting. Mrs. Destefani seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mrs. Daugherty - Abstain

Mrs. Destefani – Yes

Mr. Pittman – Yes

B. Payment of Bills

C. Resignation of PALS member Richard Wetzel

Resolution #2016.04.18-05

WHEREAS, Richard Wetzel has indicated his desire to resign from the Sugarcreek Township Fire Department; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Wetzel became a member of the Sugarcreek Township Fire Department as a PALS Member on May 19, 2003; and,

WHEREAS, Chief Jeff Leaming recommends we accept the resignation of Richard Wetzel.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Sugarcreek Township Trustees officially accepts the resignation of Richard Wetzel effective April 6, 2016.

D. Declaration of Excess Fire Property

Resolution #2016.04.18-06

WHEREAS, the Sugarcreek Township Fire Department has identified equipment which is no longer needed for operations, and;

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Jeff Leaming is requesting the attached list of items be declared as excess property and sold “as is”; and,

WHEREAS, the items listed have an individual value of \$2,000 or less,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this Sugarcreek Township Board of Trustees hereby declares said property to be excess and authorizes the Township Administrator to immediately dispose of and/or place said property on GovDeals.com and sold “as is.”

Mr. Pittman moved to approve Consent Agenda Items B,C,and D. Mrs. Daugherty seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mrs. Daugherty - Yes
Mrs. Destefani – Yes
Mr. Pittman – Yes

11. **Public Comments**

Mrs. Donna Hellman thanked everyone associated with the Eagle Rise H.O.A. meeting. She said we had a lot of new residents present and thanked the Board for their time.

12. **Trustee/Staff Discussion**

None.

13. **Executive Session**

None.

14. **Adjourn**

Mr. Pittman moved to adjourn at approximately 8:40 pm. Mrs. Daugherty seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mrs. Daugherty - Yes
Mrs. Destefani – Yes
Mr. Pittman – Yes

Theodore L. Hodson, Fiscal Officer