The regular meeting of the Green Township Board of Trustees held on July 11, 2016 was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Callos requested a moment of silence in respect for police officers who lost their lives in the shooting last week in Dallas, TX.

Chairman Callos thanked the Green Township Police Department and the officers who represent and protect Green Township with class and dignity every day. Chairman Callos also thanked the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department, and law enforcement officers from the City of Cincinnati and all across the Country for their service. Chairman Callos expressed his full support for the police officers in Green Township and across America. Chairman Callos also expressed his appreciation for the sacrifice that officers and their families make each day.

Trustee Rosiello stated that he, and his wife Sally, came to the Township Police Department at shift change to let the police officers know that they, as well as the Green Township community, support the Police Officers. Trustee Rosiello reported that the residents of Green Township have shown their support to the Police Department with cards, letters, posters, and homemade treats of every kind. Trustee Rosiello stated his full support for the officers who serve the Township every day.

Trustee Linnenberg expressed his appreciation for the Girl Scouts and Brownie Troops who made signs proclaiming their support for the Police Officers of Green Township.

Chairman Callos asked Chief West to let every Green Township Police Officer know that the Township Trustees fully support them 100%. Chief West stated that the officers appreciate all the Board does for them in purchasing equipment and providing training to help keep them safe. Chief West stated that they have received many calls, doughnuts, and treats of every kind in appreciation for all they do. Chief West thanked the Trustees and the community for their support.

Roll Call: Trustee Rosiello, present; Trustee Linnenberg, present; Chairman Callos, present; Fiscal Officer Straus, present.

Chairman Callos moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of June 27, 2016. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. All voted Aye.

Mike Donnelly, Commander, and Robert Abrahms, Chaplain, of VFW Post #10380 were present to present a proclamation to Kevin T. Celarek in honor of his 15 years of service to Green Township. Administrator Celarek stated that it is an honor to receive this recognition from VFW Post #10380 because he has worked with them since he began his career with Green Township.

Bill Bonham and Sandy McCann, Monfort Heights/White Oak Community Association, were in attendance to present the "Firefighter of the Year" award for calendar year 2015 to Firefighter/Paramedic Rob Crone. The Association presented Firefighter Crone a plaque.

Chairman Callos congratulated Firefighter/Paramedic Rob Crone.

Fire/EMS Chief Doug Witsken stated that Rob Crone joined the Green Township Fire/EMS Department in 1994 as a part-timer, and was promoted to full-time in 1997. In those 22 years Rob has shown dedication and loyalty in every way. Chief Witsken described Rob as a strong, capable, and determined public servant. Rob has sought out additional roles and responsibilities during his career and has worked hard to make the department better. Rob has been responsible for taking care of the department's preventative maintenance and repair of the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). The SCBA's are the single most critical piece of equipment that is used day to day, and the proper functioning of that equipment is critical. Rob is liked and respected by all of his coworkers. As a senior firefighter/paramedic he has been active in training new firefighters and helping them develop professionally. He sets an example for them to aspire to. Rob is a great ambassador for the department, and is polite and respectful to everyone.

Chairman Callos thanked Firefighter/Paramedic Rob Crone for his 22 years of service to the Fire/EMS Department and to the residents of Green Township. Chairman Callos, on behalf of the Board, thanked Rob Crone for everything that he has done for the department over the course of his 22 year career. Chairman Callos also thanked Rob's family for their support of Rob.

Firefighter/Paramedic Rob Crone thanked the Board, Chief Witsken and Administrator Celarek for their support. He also thanked the Monfort

Heights/White Oak Community Association for the recognition. Rob then thanked his family for their support. He also thanked his shift coworkers Lt. Allen Boyle, Ryan Schwarz, Matt Niemer, and Elliot Bergman for their support.

#### RESOLUTION #16-0711-A

Chairman Callos moved to pass a resolution accepting and approving the financial reports as submitted. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Rosiello: Yes; Trustee Linnenberg: Yes; Chairman Callos: Yes.

## RESOLUTION #16-0711-B

Chairman Callos moved to pass a resolution accepting the bid of 1,198,392.56 from Adleta, Inc. for the Harrison Avenue and Westwood-Northern Boulevard Improvements project. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Rosiello: Yes; Trustee Linnenberg: Yes; Chairman Callos: Yes.

Public Services Director Joe Lambing gave a brief report about the Harrison Avenue and Westwood-Northern Boulevard Improvements Project.

# RESOLUTION #16-0711-C

Chairman Callos moved to pass a resolution determining to proceed to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for street repairs of the Township. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Rosiello: Yes; Trustee Linnenberg: Yes; Chairman Callos: Yes.

Chairman Callos explained that this is a .5 mill levy that has gone on the ballot every five years for renewal since its original passage in 1986. This levy will not be a tax increase.

## RESOLUTION #16-0711-D

Chairman Callos moved to pass a resolution determining to proceed to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for police services for the Township. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Rosiello: Yes; Trustee Linnenberg: Yes; Chairman Callos: Yes.

Chairman Callos explained that this is a .5 mill levy that has gone on the ballot every five years for renewal since its original passage in 1991. This levy will not be a tax increase.

# RESOLUTION #16-0711-E

The following properties were declared as nuisances. The Township Attorney was directed to notify the owner of the properties listed below of this resolution:

- 1. 4385 Ebenezer Road (550-0232-0008), Motion made by Chairman Callos and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. All voted Aye.
- 2. 6071 Johnson (550-0193-0037), Motion made by Chairman Callos and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. All voted Aye.
- 3. 3576 Neiheisel Avenue (550-0172-0357), Motion made by Chairman Callos and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. All voted Aye.
- 4. 5407 Race Road (550-0191-0056), Motion made by Chairman Callos and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. All voted Aye.
- 5. 2241 Townhill Drive (550-0140-0227), Motion made by Chairman Callos and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. All voted Aye.

The Ohio Department of Liquor Control has sent notice of application from:

1. Shantam Inc, DBA Shell, 6008 Harrison Avenue, Unit A, Green Township, Cincinnati, Ohio 45247. The Police Chief had no objection. The Trustees had no objection.

Fiscal Officer, Tom Straus, reported that so far this year the Township has received approximately \$22 million dollars and expended approximately \$19.2 million dollars. He also reported that he recently met with representatives from Huntington Bank about the possibility of moving some money into their accounts at a lower fee.

Township Attorney, Frank Hyle, stated the need for executive session for the purpose of discussing appointment of Township personnel and discuss acquisition of property.

Township Administrator, Kevin Celarek stressed that the levy for police services, and the street levy, will not increase taxes.

Director of Public Services, Joe Lambing, reported that Bridgetown Road is now closed at Hammersmith Drive. Director Lambing stated that the signage at that location is not ideal and has sent an email to the State of Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to get the signage adjusted and

include more road closure signs. Chief West stated that they have received some speeding complaints through the neighboring subdivisions.

Fiscal Officer Tom Straus asked about two properties near the UDF on Harrison Avenue. He asked if those properties can be looked at as nuisance properties. Director of Public Services Lambing stated that those two properties were recently purchased and are scheduled to be torn down.

Fire/EMS Chief, Doug Witsken, stated that he had nothing to report.

Police Chief, Bart West, reported that the Police Department has recently issued some vendor permits. The Police Department does not have the authority to deny vendors who wish to solicit door-to-door. However, there are restrictions on hours that vendors may solicit. If residents have questions about, or problems with, those vendors please call the Police Department. Residents may also put a sign on the door stating "no solicitors".

Chairman Callos asked Police Chief West for an update on body cameras. Police Chief West reported that he is waiting for the newer technology cameras to be shipped. The delivery date has been changed several times. The current anticipated date of arrival is September 1, 2016. Chief West reported that the in-car video cameras are up and running and are working very well.

Director of Development, Adam Goetzman, stated that he has nothing to report.

Trustee Linnenberg read several thank you letters.

Trustee Rosiello thanked Jennifer Barlow for her year-long hard work on the July  $3^{\rm rd}$  Concert and Fireworks event. Trustee Rosiello also thanked Chief Witsken and Chief West for their counsel, along with meteorologist, to determine the safest course of action. Unfortunately the fireworks show had to begin early.

Chairman Callos thanked all who worked on the July  $3^{\rm rd}$  Concert and Fireworks event for their hard work and dedication on that event.

Chairman Callos recognized Boy Scout Brian Feazel who was present working on his Communications Merit Badge. Mr. Feazel thanked the Police and Fire Departments for keeping Township residents safe, and thanked the Trustees for keeping the Township running.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, July 25, 2016 at  $5:30~\mathrm{p.m.}$ 

Chairman Callos made a motion to recess into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing appointment of Township personnel and acquisition of property. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Rosiello, Aye; Trustee Linnenberg, Aye; Chairman Callos, Aye. The meeting was recessed at 6:02 p.m.; reconvened at 7:54 p.m.

Chairman Callos moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Callos: Aye. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

ATTEST: