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# REGULAR MEETING

## JUNE 22, 2021

Mr. Britton called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Pledge of allegiance

Roll Call Trustees: Mr. Britton here, Mrs. Schlachter here, Mr. Schuster here.

Department Heads present:

Police Department - Chief Kaiser, Deputy Chief Hart

Fire Department – Chief Kay, Assistant Chief Bailey and  
Assistant Chief Yunker

Road/Park Department – Bryon McIntosh

Zoning Inspector, Tom Yunker

Fiscal Officer - Shelly Nowakowski

**MOTION: Per Chief Kaisers request promote Mark Barker from police auxiliary to part time patrolman effective June 26, 2021, at a rate of pay of \$19.00 an hour.**

Mr. Britton moved; Mrs. Schlachter seconded.

Roll Call: Mr. Schuster yes, Mrs. Schlachter yes, Mr. Britton yes.

**MOTION: Per Chief Kays request promote Les Lundquest from probationary to Firefighter/EMT retroactive back to June 14, 2021, at a rate of \$15.00 an hour.**

Mr. Britton moved; Mrs. Schlachter seconded.

Roll Call: Mrs. Schlachter yes, Mr. Schuster yes, Mr. Britton yes.

**MOTION: Per Chief Kays request promote Mandy Miller from probationary to Firefighter/EMT retroactive back to June 14, 2021, at a rate of \$15.00 an hour.**

Mr. Brittson moved; Mrs. Schlachter seconded.

Mr. Brittson yes, Mrs. Schlachter yes, Mr. Schuster yes.

### **BACKGROUND**

The goal of the trustees is to make sure that the current levels of service are sustainable for the long run. To do this we must be fiscally responsible which is why we are having this meeting to help us decide what is best for the township in regard to the future home of the Administration offices, Police Department, and Parks & Roads.

#### **Trustee Brittson**

The Blessing Drive building was the old fire station then they pieced together different buildings through the years to make it what it is today. At one time those offices were to move into the current fire station but that never happened. Now there are roof issues and HVAC issues along with many other problems in the building. At the beginning of the year the current trustees decided to have an assessment done of the building before we invested any funds into it. The report showed that the building would require a substantial amount of money to make these repairs. The current trustees have inherited these issues with the building and now are trying to figure out what the best way to go about taking care of these issues would be and if it would be worth putting so much money into the Blessing Drive building because of how old the building is and how much needs repaired. We have quotes going back to 2003 for a new roof but was never addressed. The board is trying to be fiscally responsible and that is why we are having this meeting to help us to decide what is best for the township in regards for the future home of the administration offices, police department and parks and roads. There is a lot of people here and I know some are interested in talking and we appreciate your input. We just want to set some ground rules, so you know what to expect. Anyone being disruptive will be asked to leave or escorted out. If order is not able to be obtained the meeting will be ended by the chairperson of the board. All questions asked are to be related to the subject at hand. Blessing drive building, relocating administration offices, police department and parks and road

department and purchase of property. We will not be answering any other questions at this meeting. You are more than welcome to send any other questions or concerns to [trustee@washington-twp.com](mailto:trustee@washington-twp.com). or come to a meeting. We would love to have this kind of turn out at every meeting.

### **Trustee Schlachter**

It was brought to the trustee's attention that there was a letter that was sent out by ex-trustee Jerry Mayfield to residents. The current Trustees did not receive the letter. I would like to clear up a few items in the letter that were discrepancies. The 3 trustees that are on the board right now have over 100 years of combined business and finance. When we go to do things we go to our legal counsel, the Ohio Township Association, and other Townships for resources. The current trustees did not decide we needed a new township building but only that it was urgent for the safety of our employees to get out of the Blessing building after we were notified by Chief Kaiser of the roof leaking in the police garage and mold issues. We spent money on a full assessment of the building before any work would be done. We also received a quote of what it would cost to have building demoed encase that route was an option. We wanted to do our due diligence before we decided on what to do with the Blessing Drive building. Also talking to legal counsel and working with the Ohio Revised Code 511.01 if a township hall is to be built, or improvements are done, and the cost is greater than \$50,000.00 it then has to be taken to the voters. When Mr. Mayfield was a Trustee, he did put a motion out there to fix the roof for \$60,000.00 but myself and Trustee Brittson put a halt to it. Why because we wanted to do our due diligence and see what the building was worth or what our options were before we put any money into the building. We wanted to check into all options first. We did our research, and we will share that with you tonight if you haven't attended any meetings or we went back and looked any previous meeting notes There was never a Resolution to be sent to the voters for the cost of \$60,000.0 for the roof. When Mr. Mayfield resigned, we continued to look into the options for this building. That's when we had an assessment done that would be around \$240,000.00 to repair items to Blessing Drive building. Regarding a new building we stated several times that we would not put on a new levy for our residents. Funding would come from grants, capital and other financing. Based on what we can or cannot due per Ohio Revised Code. We have not got into any details. We are at the beginning stages of this also it would not be considered township hall like the current building. It would not have public meeting space; we already have 2 places here (Shoreland Shelter House) and at the Fire Station. In the letter Mr. Mayfield commented that

we do not have any full-time employees in the Blessing Building. Kim, our office assistant, works full time, Monday through Friday 32 to 36 hours a week. Also, Chief Kaiser and Deputy Chief Hart work in that building full-time as well as other police officers. All though they are not in the building all the time because of patrolling they are in there enough for paperwork. The office is also used for the police tow lot which means the public is in and out of the office every day. Our trustees and fiscal officer work out of the building as well. So, for Mr. Mayfield to say there is no full-time employees that are in the building that is not a true statement. We are not having anybody believe anything. The cost to demo is \$18,000.00. The cost and repairs to fix Blessing Drive (township hall) and make ADA compliant would be in excess of \$50,000.00. More in lines of \$100,000.00 to 150,000.00 per an expert's assessment, which was Seagate which we put online for you all to be able to review. We know Mr. Mayfield is not a commercial realtor and he isn't an appraiser so we did on March 18, have a real estate appraiser come out and appraise Blessing Drive (township hall) and his opinion of value was around \$240,000.00 but however if we get into everything that needs fixed that price might come down. So maybe like \$175,000.00 we don't know until we would put it on the market. Ohio Revised Code states 505.10 if a building is worth more then \$2,500.00 it has to be sold at an auction or sealed bid. Unless all three trustees agree to sell that will change the process. Trustees do not plan on doing anything in regard to a new building or property until after this meeting. We are in early stages into looking at and considering several options.

So, recap of what's been done:

1. Approve spending on a full assessment of the Blessing Drive (township hall) Building.
2. Received quotes to demo Blessing Drive (township hall) Building.
3. Received an opinion of value for Blessing Drive (township hall) Building.
4. Temporary moved out the employees in order to access needs of the building and make sure they are in a safe environment with air condition and no mold.
5. We reviewed Ohio Revised Code to determine what we can or cannot do legally.
6. After reviewing and taking all things into consideration, finances, new \$80,000.00 911 cost, the current dynamics of the organization, our future needs and what is best for our employees and residents, we want to make sure we have all the facts and all information in front of us to make a thoughtful and informed decision.

So here we are today having a public meeting to share our research and to get feed back from those we serve.

**Trustee Schuster**

We have 3 different options that we are looking at.

**OPTION 1 – Remodel Blessing Drive Building (Township Hall)**

**Pros**

Already own the property on Blessing  
Historic

Pros of the building: we already own it and it is a historic building.  
Mr. Schuster states he will never be in favor of tearing it down because of his love for historic stuff.

**Cons**

Cost is 100k to 150k  
Not ADA  
Does not fit the needs for an office and meeting space  
Pieced together  
Employees deserve a better work environment  
Wiring issues  
Location

Cons of the building: it needs at least \$100,000.00 to \$150,000.00 at least of immediate repairs to fix what we know of. I feel this is low. I have seen a lot of buildings in my time and I feel that this amount is low for everything that needs done. It is not ADA compliant. Police Station is not accessible to anyone with a wheel chair, walker or a cane.

My personal feeling of the police station is that it is embarrassing, they deserve better. The building in general does not fit the needs of our employees or the people coming into the building. Place is way to small to have a meeting like this. The building is pieced together. The wiring for cable and electrical is not good.

I was never in favor in moving out of the building but when I talked in an open meeting and asked the department heads their opinions of moving out of the building, they all were on board with moving out and Chief Kay was fine with them moving into the station.

## **Trustee Schlachter**

### **Option 2 – Stay in one location at the Fire Station and house all departments.**

#### **Pros**

- Own the property
- Great location
- Cuts expenses for all departments
- Use the building more
- Room to add a garage for the police vehicles
- Plenty of parking
- Could happen soon
- Not as expensive as a new building
- All in same space adds to better communication and teamwork

Pros: We own the property and it's in a good location in the township. It will cut expenses for all departments being able to split expenses being in one location together. There is room to add a garage for police vehicles if we would stay. There is plenty of parking. Can happen immediately. A lot cheaper then remodeling Blessing Drive (township building). Will be better communication between the departments being in one location and better teamwork being in one space.

#### **Cons**

Although the township owns the fire department buildings, we are moving in on the fire department and their space.

In all we cannot move forward until we go through a whole bid process. There is a lot of laws we would have to follow and get with our legal team before we would make any decisions.

## **Trustee Brittson**

### **Option 3 – Looking into available land in the township to build a new township hall.**

#### **Pros**

- Future
- All in one building
- New building would give us plenty of space.

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## **Cons**

Cost – Where do we get the money. We can Guarantee there will be no new levies. We pay plenty of taxes already. We have some coming up for renewal but there will be no new levies. There are plenty of ways through grants and saving money that we do not need new levies to support this. Everyone keeps talking about the historical part of Blessing Building but we are 20 years to late trying to make it a historical building. It has to be at a historical level before they will give you money to maintain it. It has to be evaluated. Grants are great but it takes a lot of time and effort to get one. Chief Kay and Assistant Chief Yunker can testify to that. Chief Kay is good at going out and getting grants to help his fire department. Everything we put in the new at the fire station is not permanent. It all can be taken out and moved. No money spent on that project will be wasted. If we have thought through everything every time, we spend any money. Chief Kay has been great through this whole move. Assistant Chief Yunker has spent a lot of time preparing the fire station for this move. Trustee Schlachter and Trustee Brittson we are your neighbors, we pay taxes like you do we only want what is best for the township. No decisions have been made we are not going to do something without discussion and making you a part of it.

## **Trustee Schlachter**

### **Other considerations:**

Look at other property for sale – Farmland on Pete.

Plenty of space to add a small park on the Summit St. property.

Look at Shoreland Park or Villamar Park to build township hall.

Can sell township hall on blessing and use those funds for Option 2 or Option 3.

Build a garage at Shoreland Park for roads equipment next to park equipment garage.

Work with State on grants and other capital funds. I have a meeting with our State Representative to go over some ideas.

Future needs and change of dynamics have to be sustainable. Things change we have to keep up with the times.

911 costs coming \$80,000.00 will be added to Police and Fire budget part next year, some in 2022 and rest in 2023.

Tow lot may move due to 911 consolidation.

I will vote for what's most cost efficient and beneficial to the township.

## **CONCLUSION**

### **Trustee Brittson**

No offers have been made on the property, vacant land, or any building. The Trustees will be discussing once we have listened to the residents. We will also continue to work with legal counsel on next steps. We have been transparent the whole time we have been in office. The Agenda, Meeting Minutes, Financial Reports are all out there online on our website. If anyone has any questions, please do not hesitate to call. We will tell you anything you want to hear. Feel free to stop in my shop on Summit Street or if you see me out and about. I would be more than happy to discuss anything with you.

## **Mission Statement**

### **Trustee Schlachter**

Washington Townships Mission is to provide excellent service to our residents and businesses, with an emphasis on integrity, transparency, efficiency, and fiscal responsibility, which will position the township for future growth and continued success.

Trustee Schlachter went over emails that the trustees received regarding this matter.

### **Trustee Brittson**

We are going to open the floor to anyone that would like to talk. Per policy and procedures, you will have 3 minutes to speak.

### **Joanne Vail-Nixon**

#### **2524 Shoreland**

States she is very happy with the turnout tonight and so glad it is without mask. Hopes since trustees invited residents to this meeting, they will let the residents speak without interruption and hopes that the audience will be respectful and keep Facebook out of this meeting and take it elsewhere. She doesn't believe that the "windfall" money the township received from bureau of workers compensation should be spent on buying a piece of property for a new building for a township hall, doesn't believe we need



one. (Audience applause) As trustees stated we have shelter park building, fire station and Blessing building. What we really need is equipment that fire, police, and road departments are in need of. How about repaving the streets that need repaved? If township is going to occur debt how about they do it for something that is going to help our needs as residents. As Chief Kay talked about at the last trustee meeting about their need for a new squad. When she was trustee there was just no money. She stated after the last payment was made on the pumper in 2018, she recommended at the time as a trustee that those funds be put in an account for the new squad and new turnout gear that was needed. She apologizes that she let her recommendation be sidelined and ignored at that time. Spoke about jail property that was purchased by the county and now sits vacate and is afraid that the same would happen with this property if they purchased it and they never build on. She states that she read the reason why the trustees want to build a new building is because Trustee Schlachter is embarrassed of the Blessing (township) Building, Trustee Brittson found that the heat due to no air last summer was a problem and Trustee Schuster is not in favor of reducing that. She is asking the Trustees to humble themselves and make repairs to the building we already own. (Audience applaud)

Chris and Sue Thompson their questions have been answered, did not speak.

**Matt Hart**  
**2317 Bahiamar**

The Trustees have put a lot of information forward tonight and several options that they laid out in his opinion by far he feels the option that best suites our needs and the township is repairing the Blessing Drive building. He states he is a long-time resident of the township he served this community and was on the fire department for 35 years. This Blessing Drive, township building, has been neglected for years. That's part of the reason why there is an urgency for them to move out right away. If there had been maintenance done along the way with a plan to improve it the urgent need to impose on the fire department would not be here today. He states that he feels bad for the fire chief and the firefighters that have to for go part of their building and property because of neglect that has happened by the current and past trustees by not keeping up with proper maintenance. In his opinion fix the Blessing Building, work with

department heads, and the people that are in the building and find out what their needs are. Feels that fixing the Blessing Building is what is best for the township.

**Karen Mayfield**

**2244 Terramar**

States that tonight she feels that we are here to discuss more wants verses needs. She says trustees have explained why they want to purchase land and why they want to build a new township hall. Her husband and her have faithfully attended township meetings for the last 20 years. She states they never felt like the building was dirty and inadequate. It was always bright, clean and looked professional. Agrees it could always be improved and be better. But like homes things need to have improvements. Don't hold out just because it needs improvements. She agrees that our employees deserve a clean, safe working environment. Feels this is a perfect opportunity while the employees are out to go in and repair what needs done in the Blessing Building. Doesn't feel like we should take on any new debt for this. Spoke to Ohio Township Association and State and local Governments and no one knew of any grants to build a new township hall just because we want one. There are however grants to help make a building ADA compliant which we are legally obligated. (Audience applaud) She agrees with Trustees that they have to find a funding solution to help all departments and that will be in the best interest of the residents. So why are we not using the Bureau of Workers Compensation money towards that or towards our roads to be replaced or repaired. The township has been waiting for 15 years because the township cannot come up with their portion of the matching funds required by the county. So now we are off the project list. Why can't we use Bureau of Workers Compensation money for that. As Joanne Vail-Nixon stated, our fire chief mentioned how critical it is that we need to replace the medic (squad) and then his concern of the current volunteer service may not be sustainable. Why are we talking about purchasing land and a new building when we can't insure the delivery of our current emergency service and safety of our residents. Mrs. Mayfield states this takes it back to her original statement "this is about wants verses needs". We need to maintain what we already own this is the best interest of our residents. (Audience applaud)

**Rob Disbrow II****5918 Viramar**

I still have to digest these numbers and run through some cost benefit analysis then I write numbers so I'm going to withhold on a recommendation but there is a couple points I'd like to make that at least I have heard mission mentions if we do buy this land it's going to be vacate for quite a while before we could build that's a cost I was on the trustee board of Point Place Ministries on 131 street some may remember we use to also have a campus on Suder and Alexis there before we sold it we had taxes, we had insurance then we have the cost of upkeep of that property cutting grass. If you buy this priority, you also are going to have to put into your calculations the burden you're putting on the general fund while you're waiting to build. My second point is that it has been mentioned it's not easy to sell land you can ask Lucas County they have the property at Alexis and Detroit they have that property that is just sitting there. My Third Point the most important point and with all due respect 2/3 of this board has been appointed and not elected the optics are not good you need to run this platform this is what you want to do if you win then you have your answer if you don't you also have your answer, but the optics do not look good when one of you was appointed by the other two sitting there. Thank you.

**William Ducey****5505 Fortune**

First, I don't know if this might come into play but that building as far as I know has been used for nearly 100 years it has supported a fire station and maintenance activities that involved vehicles, big trucks and so on and continues to. So I'm a little bit concerned that we might end up with remediation brownfield remediation issues that we haven't thought about and EPA may or may not come into play at some point but if they do they might tell us that we have to re mediate that property and I know from my experience in my business that can be very very expensive and I would like to reiterate what Mr. Disbrow said I think it would be appropriate before a final decision is made to wait till November and have three elected trustees. And finally, I can't begin to understand seem to be the good times after a worldwide pandemic millions of people dead and lots of people ill and I don't understand the likely why our economy seems to be soring, but it is. Inflation appears to be a factor the projections currently or 4.5 to 4.7% increase for Social Security and that suggests that as early as next year we might have to increase salaries for our employees and we have a couple of employees that are at a point within five or ten years might be retiring to

key employees Mr. Kaiser and Mr. McIntosh and we might have to pay considerably more in order to attract new people to those positions people are qualified as qualified as the people we currently have so i don't know what that'll mean I'm not a fan of cheaper is better a new township hall of course would be nice, I don't know. I am not prepared to say yet if I am for or against. But those are my points.

**Jerry Mayfield**  
**2244 Terramar**

I just want to tell 2 quick stories. One is about Bryon and he got stuck with \$50,000 a year for the truck payments out of his road department budget and it crippled him. I know you've talked about not going for new levy I never insisted you were going to do a new levy but you're going to build a new building and the police department's going to have to pay for it out of their budget with no extra income, Bryon is going to have to pay for it out of his budget with no new income. Its going to cripple them. They're not going to be able to buy the things they need. The other story I wanted tell is when one of our detective vehicles John Van Hersett was driving the old Taurus, the training went out of it we we're looking at a choice of junking it for \$500.00, because you can't sell running vehicle, I looked at the value of the vehicle it's hard to tell what a police cars worth. If it would have been a passenger car it would have been worth \$6,000.00 vehicle. I decided it was worth around \$4,000.00 so we spent \$1,700.00 and put a transmission in a six-year-old 120,000-mile car turn around and put it on Gov Deals and got \$4,400.00. We got \$500.00 junk money from it we got \$1,700.00 repair from it and we made an extra \$2,200.00 off the vehicle. The same thing is true that building if you look at the total on the Seagate report its \$9,7000.00 of everything, they recommended that's including \$20,000 a parking lot it doesn't cover the things I talked about the ceiling tiles, the carpet. If you tear it down you have a hole in the ground. If you put \$60,000 roof on it and you put a heating and air conditioner unit in it you've got a \$240,000 building even with the other flaws. You need to preserve the building no matter what you do. If you're going to build a new one you want to make sure that building on Blessing has a roof on it so it doesn't deteriorate anymore, so you get maximum value for it.

Last point I want to make is my son in law made a comment he teaches at a 50-year-old school building he said if someone came up to him and said does he want to teach at a new school building or an old building of course I'm going to say yes, but I don't have to pay for it. (Audience applaud)  
Thank you.

**Sue Futey**  
**5429 Patriot**

I just want to speak my thoughts on the new building. I just wanted to say I'm not paying for it. I am also worried and concerned about the purchase of property before we have funds. A lot of my questions were answered. My other thing is he had mentioned about purchasing the property that's been sitting for there for 50 plus years and then maybe have to resell. It doesn't make sense to me then I know that was mentioned. When it comes to voting for this new building it only takes 2 trustees, right? Mrs. Schlachter states yes unless it's considered a township hall then if we could build it the way of the dynamics of it then it would not be a hall. Like we could spend whatever we wanted to buy park land, we're not doing that, I'm just saying we could, and we have to really look at the laws and the rules.

I just want to make sure that you understand that I am against it, but I appreciate you having this and keep us informed. (Audience applaud)

**Camille Hammer**  
**2453 Woodfox**

I am going to take issue with what you said. I was a Trustee in this Township in 2003 and we fixed the roof, we managed to recarpet the building, we managed to paint the building, we managed to put new signage on the building and that is how the building was left in 2008 when I did not seek reelection it was in perfect running order. What I see is happening is dereliction of duty by the trustee's part letting the building go by the wayside and not repairing a roof. The police evidence room is there, you've got a police department, you've got historical records that are in the building. How could you let that happen? So, I have a hard time trusting anything you say.

**Mary Lichtenwald**  
**6107 Holliday**

A couple of questions were answered but one of the things that I'm curious about is if the calculation of the refund were verified because I know they usually do send something out with from workers comp that you would be able to verify so that you don't have to return the money. Mrs. Schlachter states it was a special dividend that came in and it was special due to Covid so that's where the money came from and yes it was it was verified. I live right near the property is going to need a lot of clearance that's going to be a lot of money that has to be spent before you can even put something on it. I'm sure you're aware. I've worked for builders and for

developers. I wanted to thank Trustee Brittson for his comment that he was working for the people because it's very necessary and important. I heard something about levies I wanted to be sure that the police and fire levies that we voted for are not going to lose any of their funds. We have great people out here that do a great job. Trustee Brittson and Schlachter said they would not have new levies.

**Barb Kingsley**  
**5717 Blessing Drive**

We appreciate our police and I wanted to also thank you folks for caring enough to want to improve conditions for them because they deserve it in this day and age of defunding police going on and everything. We love them and we want them to stay put. I heard more people tonight say I feel safe with the police there somebody mentioned to me while there might be a car there, we want them there. I was also thinking if you went to a new building, you still need to do some repairs on that building and that's adding siding to the building. I was walking my dog in the playground area, and it was a windy day, and that siding was just hanging there. I got off playground with my dog. I think to move them out for a while and then bring them back to a beautiful building.

**Trustee Brittson**

Thank you to everyone that came out, it means a lot and to everyone that spoke. My door is always open. I believe Camille Hammer, I bet that building was in good shape when she left, but what happened. It didn't just deteriorate in the past 2 years since the current trustees have been here.

Mrs. Hammer asked about the storm shelter. Trustee Brittson that is why we are looking at all of our options that building is in no condition to house people in the condition it is in right now. Trustee Brittson states he has been here for 2 years, and the condition of the building has been deteriorating for a while.

**Trustee Schlachter**

She feels it is not fiscally responsible to put money in the Blessing building. Will have to put at least \$150,000.00 to \$200,000.00 in it. One of the perks in having all departments in 1 building is all departments would share the expenses. That saves us money. She does not want to demo it though. She will not vote for new levies.

### **Trustee Schuster**

He agrees what everyone that spoke had to say. Moving forward, whatever we do with moving forward we need to maintain assets we have like the Blessing Building.

Trustee Brittson asked if any department heads have anything to say.

### **Chief Kay of the fire department spoke:**

Actually, the move to the fire station was my idea. I was aware of the situation they were in regarding Blessing Drive. The meeting room portion of fire station for us is most of the time unused space. We don't use that often. Are there things that I would like to do with it absolutely. I really honestly believe after thirty-five years of experience in the fire service center model what we do for providing our services is going to change. We may actually need that space for modern amenities to house firefighters in there. I felt bad for the Police Department, our officers we have that bond being fellow safety servants and understanding the situation with the old building on Blessing Drive in my 35 years of fire service I have gone to different police and fire departments and you get a pretty good idea what other municipalities and communities have and I always felt bad for our Police Department and I can say for sure our police department and administration offices are for sure the worst I have ever seen. They need the modern amenities for this township to move forward in the future. Fixing the old building I just don't see it; it needs to much. It is challenging, for me to manage this fire department under the current footprint. This is not my full-time job. I am a career fire fighter, a lieutenant on the Toledo Fire Department. As fire chief with the township, I am constantly worried about the township fire department, the staffing, our equipment, and our facility with the budget we have to work with. And most important serving our residents. The fire department is making sacrifices in moving them over there to the fire department, but I feel it is necessary to be able to sustain what we do and give them a modern facility. I can't disagree with all of your concerns but it's about moving forward, and the trustees are trying to do what is best for the township. When the equipment is aging, and the vehicles need repaired or replaced we have to come up with somewhere to get the finances to help with these. Housing all the departments in one building is a start for cutting back and being able to split expenses. How do you expect the fire department to continue supplying a lifesaving service using volunteers? We are up to 500 calls a year. I have been a Washington Township fire fighter on this department for 35 years. We have to progress forward. No one likes change but sometimes you

have to have it. I have known Chief Kaiser for 35 years and when I go to the Blessing Drive location, I can't believe they have to work in that kind of environment. I'm not saying you can't redo the Blessing Drive Building but that's what the trustees are trying to figure out.

Chief Kaiser had nothing to say just that he would like to see Blessing fixed if not he will move. Bryon McIntosh had nothing to say.

Voting will still be at the fire station. The Lucas County Board of Election came out and confirmed that there is enough space and met ADA compliance.

Adjourn meeting 7:22 p.m.

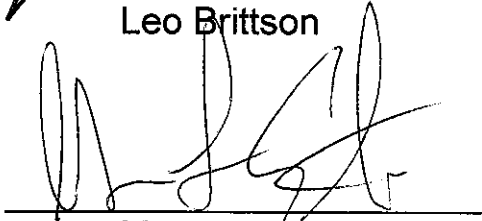
Mr. Brittson moved; Mrs. Schlachter seconded.

Mr. Schuster yes, Mrs. Schlachter yes, Mr. Brittson yes.

Approved by:



Leo Brittson



Mark Schuster



Kellie Schlachter



Kimberly Kay



KIMBERLY A KAY  
Notary Public  
State of Ohio  
My Comm. Expires  
June 21, 2025