

**RES#20-\_\_\_\_\_**  
**NIMISHILLEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Township Hall: 4422 Maplegrove NE, Louisville, OH 44641**  
**January 9, 2020**

On Thursday, January 9, 2020, the Board of Trustees of Nimishillen Township met in regular session at 7:00 PM at the Nimishillen Township Hall located at 4422 Maplegrove NE with the following members present: Trustee President Jennifer L. Leone, Trustee Vice President George P. Kiko, Trustee Donald E. Keefe, and Fiscal Officer, Brian Kandel.

**NOTE:** All reports and attachments are available at the township office located at 4915 N. Nickelplate at a cost of 10¢ per page or can be sent via fax or email. Audio of tonight's meeting can be emailed to interested parties by calling the township office at 330-875-9924.

Trustee Leone called the meeting to order and led the staff and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Leone welcomed newly elected Trustee Don Keefe.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** (*Rich Peterson, Chief*)

Discussion – Chief Peterson informed the Board two of the new fire trucks have arrived and one of the trucks is here tonight for everyone to see. Chief Peterson informed the Board that next week they will go up and do an inspection of the rescue truck and it should arrive a few days after inspection. Chief Peterson stated a company will come in and work with our guys to do all the mounting of the tools.

**Resolution – Approve October 2019 Fire Report:** Trustee Kiko motioned to approve the October 2019 Fire Report seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-018**  
Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**Resolution – Approve November 2019 Fire Report:** Trustee Kiko motioned to approve the November 2019 Fire Report seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-019**  
Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**Resolution – Approve December 2019 Fire Report:** Trustee Kiko motioned to approve the December 2019 Fire Report seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-020**  
Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**ROAD DEPARTMENT:** (*Jamie May, Interim Rd. Superintendent*)

**Resolution – Approve January 9, 2020 Road Report:** Trustee Kiko motioned to approve the Road Report for January 9, 2020 seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-021**  
Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**ZONING DEPARTMENT:** (*Jeff Shipman, Zoning Inspector*)

**Resolution – Approve January 9, 2020 Zoning Report:** Trustee Kiko motioned to approve the January 9, 2020 Zoning Report seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-022**  
Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**Resolution – Approve December 2019 Zoning Report for Stark County Auditor:** Trustee Kiko motioned to approve the December 2019 Zoning Report for Stark County Auditor seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-023**  
Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**FISCAL OFFICER:** (*Brian Kandel*)

**Resolution:** Trustee Kiko motioned to Authorize the Fiscal Officer of Nimishillen Township to file requests with the Stark County Auditor for weekly Tax Advances of the February and July Real Estate Tax Settlement 2020 for the Maximum amount allowable by law of the current collection of taxes assessed and collected for and in behalf of Nimishillen Township seconded by Trustee Keefe.

**MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-024**

Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

Discussion – Fiscal Officer Brian Kandel stated there has been a significant increase when quoting health insurance plans. Fiscal Officer Kandel stated the best option is to join the Stark County Council of Government (COG) health insurance. Fiscal Officer Kandel said the savings would be \$2,617 per month and \$31,404 per year. After discussion, the Board approved to join the COG health insurance.

**Resolution – Join Council of Government (COG) Health Insurance effective February 1, 2020:**

Trustee Kiko motioned to join Council of Government (COG) Health Insurance effective February 1, 2020 seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-025**

Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**Resolution – Enter into Credit Terms Agreement with Kurtz Brothers:** Trustee Kiko motioned to enter into Credit Terms Agreement with Kurtz Brothers seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-026**

Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**CONCERNS OF CITIZENS:**

**Ronald Salisbury of 4561 Eastland** stepped to the podium regarding:

- Mud on Peach St.

Discussion – Mr. Salisbury expressed his concern to the Board regarding mud in the road on Peach St. from the trucks working on the apartments. Trustee Leone stated there is a number to call when stuff is in the road. Trustee Leone stated she would call them. Zoning Inspector Jeff Shipman stated you can call the State Patrol as well. Discussion followed.

**Nancy Kraus of 7506 Bentler Ave.** stepped to the podium regarding:

- School & Library Levies
- Zoning Book

Discussion – Ms. Kraus wanted to remind everyone of the upcoming school and library levies on the March 2020 ballot. Ms. Kraus asked the Board if the rules in the zoning book will be followed this year. Trustee Leone stated they intend to and asked Ms. Kraus what rules specifically. Ms. Kraus stated there have been ongoing issues with her neighbor. Trustee Leone stated Jeff has looked into it and spoke with the Prosecutor, who stated is it a civil matter. Zoning Inspector Jeff Shipman stated the Prosecutor informed him this has nothing to do with the township because it was sent to the court system. Ms. Kraus asked if there will be a new zoning book printed. Zoning Inspector Jeff Shipman stated pages will be added with the new amendments.

**Bob Kraus of 7506 Bentler Ave.** stepped to the podium regarding:

- School Levy

Discussion – Mr. Kraus informed everyone there will be an informational meeting next week at the Louisville Middle School regarding the school levy. Mr. Kraus expressed his concerns to the Board regarding the upcoming school levy on the March 2020 ballot.

**Jim Morris of 4514 Eastland** stepped to the podium regarding:

- Reports to meetings
- School Levy

Discussion – Mr. Morris asked the Board about providing the reports from the other committees each Trustee were appointed to at the Organizational Meeting. Mr. Morris stated he asked for these reports last year but he never received them. Mr. Morris expressed his concerns regarding the upcoming school levy on the March 2020 ballot.

**Donna Fuller of 5857 Rosedale** stepped to the podium regarding:

- School, Library, Parks Levies
- Newsletter
- Zoning Concerns – culverts

Discussion – Ms. Fuller expressed her concerns regarding the upcoming school, library, and parks levies. Ms. Fuller asked the Board about when there would be another newsletter. The Board stated they have not yet discussed another newsletter. Ms. Fuller expressed her concerns about having problems with zoning and people needing culverts for their driveways. Ms. Fuller stated a neighbor is concerned about a property that was for sale on Sunland needing a culvert in the driveway. Interim Road Superintendent Jamie May stated the buyer for the property is buying it on land contract. Ms. Fuller asked the Board who is responsible for putting in the culvert. Trustee Kiko stated the person living in the home. Discussion followed.

**Ronald Salisbury of 4561 Eastland** stepped to the podium regarding:

- School Levy

Discussion – Mr. Salisbury expressed his concern to the Board regarding the upcoming school levy on the March 2020 ballot.

Discussion – Trustee Kiko explained to Ms. Fuller that Zoning Inspector Jeff Shipman does a good job of logging all of his calls & when permits are issued on the Zoning Report. Trustee Kiko stated he went out and looked at the property on Sunland and Jamie has looked at it as well. Trustee Kiko stated he knows that leaves are a problem in the area because of all the trees. Trustee Leone asked Mr. May if they are planning to install a crossover on that road. Mr. May stated he is still thinking about that. Discussion followed.

**TRUSTEES:** (George Kiko, Jennifer Leone, Don Keefe)

**Resolution – Enter into Executive Session:** Trustee Kiko motioned to enter into executive session from this regular meeting as authorized under O.R.C.121.22 (G)(4) Collective Bargaining to prepare for, conduct or review negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees at 7:30 p.m. seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-027**

Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**Resolution – Return from Executive Session:** Trustee Kiko motioned to return from executive session at 8:04 p.m. and resume this regular meeting seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-028**

Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**Resolution – Approve Road Dept. Union Contract effective August 1, 2019 through July 31, 2022:**

Trustee Kiko motioned to approve Road Dept. Union Contract effective August 1, 2019 through July 31, 2022 seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-029**

Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**Resolution – Approve Memorandum of Understanding to update Health Insurance to the Union Contract effective February 1, 2020:**

Trustee Kiko motioned approve Memorandum of Understanding to update Health Insurance to the Union Contract effective February 1, 2020 seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-030**

Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

Discussion – The Board held a discussion about the \$50 yearly fee for the Conditional Zoning Certificates for the year 2020. After a brief discussion, the Board decided not to waive the \$50 fee for this year.

**Resolution – Approve Minutes for December 12, 2019 Trustees Meeting:**

Trustee Kiko motioned to approve the written minutes for December 12, 2019 Trustees Meeting seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-031**

Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**Resolution – Approve Minutes for January 2, 2020 Organizational Meeting:**

Trustee Kiko motioned to approve the written minutes for January 2, 2020 Organizational Meeting seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-032**

Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**Resolution – Approve Purchase Orders, Financial Report and Pay Bills:**

Trustee Kiko motioned to approve all purchase orders, financial report and pay bills in the amount of \$73,681.74 seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-033**

Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

**Resolution – Sign Checks and Adjourn:**

Trustee Kiko motioned to sign checks and adjourn at 8:06 p.m. seconded by Trustee Keefe. **MOTION CARRIED. RES#20-034**

Roll call voting: Mrs. Leone – YES; Mr. Kiko – YES; Mr. Keefe – YES

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ATTEST: Brian Kandel, Fiscal Officer

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Jennifer L. Leone, President

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George P. Kiko, Vice President

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Donald E. Keefe, Trustee  
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