

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

CANAAN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF MADISON COUNTY OHIO

2019 REGULARLY SCHEDULED SESSION

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The Canaan Township Trustees of Madison County met at the Canaan Township Building, 8055 US Highway 42 South, Plain City, Ohio 43064.

In Attendance:	Trustees:	Mark Ishmael, Don Schrock, Don Whitmer
	Fiscal Officer:	Kimberlie Schrock
	Visitors:	Bellie Kay Bidwell, Nathan Bidwell, Vincent Chrisman, Matt Garman, Steve Halter, Pete Hammond, Brian Holmes, Wendy Holmes, Rick Kamm, Andrea Klinge, Sandy Maxwell, Aaron Miller, Becky Montgomery, Steve Montgomery, Craig Morelock, Linnie Mullet, Melvin Mullet, Nan Payne, Keith Rogers, Brian Rose, Tim Rose, Carolyn Stephans, Dan Stephans, Ann Stransky, Ed Stransky, John Weaver, Toni Weaver,

Chairman Ishmael called meeting to order. **Roll Call: Ishmael-yes, Schrock-yes, Whitmer-yes.**

Whitmer made a motion, seconded by Schrock, to approve the July 1, 2019, Regularly Scheduled Session Meeting Minutes. **Roll Call: Ishmael-yes, Schrock-yes, Whitmer-yes.** Original file copy was signed by all.

Administrative

The Trustees reviewed the Fiscal Officer’s July 2019 Activity Report. (See attached).

The Trustees approved with their signatures:

- July 31, 2019, Bank Reconciliation/Fund Balances Report - Fiscal Officer Schrock reported that we have one outstanding warrant. Ishmael asked if there was money in the checking account to cover the presented checks, to which Fiscal Officer Schrock responded “yes.” Whitmer made a motion, seconded by Schrock, to approve the July 31, 2019, Bank Reconciliation. **Roll Call: Ishmael-yes, Schrock-yes, Whitmer-yes**
- **Resolutions:**
- **Purchase Orders:**
 - **PO # 19-2019 – MedMutual Life**

Whitmer made a motion, seconded by Schrock, to approve warrants/electronic bill pay to cover payroll and non-payroll obligations and PO # 19-2019. **Roll Call: Ishmael-yes, Schrock-yes, Whitmer-yes**

Fiscal Officer Schrock reminded the Board of Trustees that we need to apply for the 2019 MORE Grant Program. Ishmael suggested in an earlier meeting that we put up metal posts around the building at Big Darby Cemetery to protect the building from being hit by vehicles. Whitmer will look into getting these metal posts installed.

Action Items Register Fiscal Officer Schrock reviewed the July Action Items Register.

Health & Safety *Sports and Concussions: A Play-By-Play*

Professional athletes are no strangers to taking hits and getting concussions. But they’re not the only ones intimately acquainted with this injury; concussion can sideline amateur, college, recreational, and youth athletes, too. In fact, between 10-19% of all athletes involved in contact sports suffer a concussion each season. These estimates are generally accepted to be on the low side, since many mild concussions go unreported, therefore undiagnosed.

The key to figuring out when it will be safe to get back into the game is recognizing that an injury has occurred and being managed by a trained concussion expert until you are symptom free. Factors that serve as hurdles within that process can include:

- **Self-reporting.** Players may be reluctant to report symptoms for fear of being removed from the game, and potentially jeopardizing their team standing or athletic career.
- **The “Silent Injury.”** Even if a player is removed from activity upon incident, parents or coaches may still have trouble understanding the subtlety of concussion, because the player may not be displaying any outward or overt signs of a problem. Some symptoms appear gradually over time.

Health & Safety (Contd.)

What is the best course of action for dealing with a potentially concussed athlete?

- **Remove from activity** until a sideline assessment can be given. If any signs of concussion are present, return to play is ruled out for the remainder of the contest. During a concussion, neurons in the body suffer from an “energy crisis.” During this time of “crisis,” if the brain suffers additional injury, the result could be more severe symptoms and prolonged recovery, as well as the possibility of a more catastrophic neurological event.
- **Rule out other injuries** using the ABC’s of assessment: problems with airway (A), breathing (B), and circulation (C). If symptoms are present, the athlete should receive immediate medical attention.
- **Seek medical attention if the athlete exhibits any of the signs and symptoms of concussion** like loss of consciousness, disorientation or confusion, dizziness, headache, nausea or vomiting, sensitivity to light/sound/motion, coordination issues, etc.

Returning to Play

Only trained concussion experts can properly assess when it’s safe for an athlete to return to play, and it varies from person- to-person depending on their recovery. Some athletes could be cleared in a few days, while others may need several weeks or even longer before they are ready. Returning to play before complete recovery increases the risk of re-injury, so it is very important to allow enough time for a complete recovery.

“A well-managed concussion is the best form of prevention.”

–Michael “Micky” Collins, PhD, executive director, UPMC Sports Medicine Concussion Program.

Fire

Ishmael attended a promotion ceremony at the Pleasant Valley Fire District (PVFD) Board meeting. The PVFD Board plans to hire a qualified candidate for the vacant Lieutenant position.

Zoning

Ishmael invited Nan Payne, founder and owner of Let Love Farm on Plain City Georgesville Road, to explain the purpose of the farm. Ishmael also invited next door neighbors of Let Love Farm to express their concerns of the farm.

Let Love Farm Attorney Aaron Miller began by giving an overview of the farm and then Nan Payne shared her vision and mission for the farm. Per the map provided on the Let Love Farm web site (www.letlovefarm.org), Ishmael asked several questions about the intentions of the farm and opened it up to our visitors for further discussion and concerns.

Nan shared that Let Love Farm (LLF) was birthed out of a drive to let the love of Christ be in our every action. We hope to provide an atmosphere where you can experience peace in your heart from our Lord as you enjoy the farm, lake chapel, animals, flowers and trails.

According to Nan, Let Love Farm is a non-profit organization created to share Christ’s love by caring for people and animals. We have three purposes in mind:

1. First, our intent is to share in the caring of our canine companions through Companion Care, Cody’s Care, and the Chelsey Memorial Fund (CMF) to help prolong the lives of our cherished dogs and companion animals.
2. Second, our goal is to share the unconditional companionship of our barnyard animals with both children and people through our Healing Hearts and Helping Hands programs.
3. Lastly, but most important, our purpose is to share our farm and land with the hope that all will experience an inner peace through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Here you will dive deeper into the knowledge of each of our animals and their care. We will also point out various other animals that visit us at the farm such as hummingbirds and butterflies. We will enlighten you to the different wild flowers and gardens that we have. And, we encourage you to participate in each of our upcoming events and/or classes offered. It is our hope that you experience the tranquility of our trails, cabin, woods, lake, creek, gardens, and animals.

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Zoning (Contd.) This land is currently zoned agricultural. Ishmael questioned several of the items identified on the Let Love Farm map: cabin, residence store, chapel, baptism lake, to name a few that could potentially change the zoning of this property from agricultural to commercial. Ishmael also expressed his concerns regarding the amount of traffic that Let Love Farm would generate on an already busy and dangerous Plain City Georgesville Road.

Discussion then ensued from concerned neighbors about Let Love Farm. The neighbors' concerns ranged from additional traffic on an already heavily traveled and dangerous road, the potential disruption in a peaceful country side due to noise that would be generated from additional animals on the farm, and the concern about introducing addicts into the township.

After much discussion, Ismael suggested the following actions for Nan and her cofounders to take:

- Count the number of cars, after school starts, between 7 and 9 AM and between 4 and 6 PM, that travel on Plain City Georgesville Road during these hours.
- Address the concerns brought to the table from the Canaan Township Board of Trustees and the next door neighbors.
- Revise the Let Love Farm map that is more in line with their intent
- Rework their thoughts and ideas on Let Love Farm and present again at a future Canaan Township meeting.

Nan thanked everyone for their input and Ishmael thanked everyone who attended the meeting for their courteous and respectful consideration in this matter.

Ishmael reported that September 7 is the new court date for the Antique Mall on US 42. Ishmael also mentioned that the new PVFD Fire Marshall is having difficulties with the Antique Mall meeting the fire code.

Roads Schrock reported that we had to order a new part for the new flail mower from Ag-Pro. The part is to be in next week.

Schrock reported that Bud Schrock plans to complete the 4th round of mowing with the high speed mower this coming week. Kudos to our mowing team for keeping our Canaan Township ditches in pristine condition all summer long by picking up trash, spraying weeds, and mowing ditches!

Schrock stated that he pulled his reelection petition for personal reasons. Schrock also mentioned that Bud Schrock will be done with mowing ditches at the end of this season.

Fiscal Officer Schrock stated that Don Price and Dan Moran have requested to be removed from our CDL list for snowplowing. The remaining qualified CDL drivers on our list are Don Whitmer and Eli Gingerich.

Cemetery Whitmer invited Vincent Chrisman, representing Hillard Engineering and Surveying from Springfield, Ohio, to present a drawing of the drainage plan for Big Darby Cemetery. After some discussion, the Canaan Township Board of Trustees agreed to discuss the drainage plan further at a future meeting.

Whitmer and Pete Hammond reported that someone hit the Township brick building with their car at Big Darby Cemetery. There was a sheriff report. Whitmer will contact the insurance company and investigate if there is insurance to cover the repair. After some discussion, Ishmael suggested that metal posts be installed around the brick building at the cemetery to protect it from getting hit from vehicles. Ishmael suggested that this expense could be submitted for the 2019 OTARMA MORE Grant program.

Schrock paid for the cremation burial of Philip Meeker on Saturday, August 3, 2019. Whitmer reported that we have a burial this coming Saturday, August 10, for Sparks. Fiscal Officer Schrock shared that Sam Stambaugh called and is interested in purchasing 2 grave plots at Big Darby Cemetery. Fiscal Officer Schrock gave Whitmer Mr. Stambaugh's phone number so that he could contact him.

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Building

Fiscal Officer Schrock reported that the installation of new carpeting for the township building and office area has been rescheduled for Monday, September 9.

Hammond had given Lee Yutzy's township key to Wayne Gingerich temporarily since Wayne needed access to make repairs to the International Truck. Now that the IH Truck repairs are complete, Whitmer will obtain key from Wayne Gingerich.

Miscellaneous

Canaan Township resident Matt Wilson picked up an application for employment with Canaan Township, to assist Pete Hammond with township responsibilities.

Whitmer moved that the meeting be adjourned and Schrock seconded. **Roll Call: Ishmael-yes, Schrock-yes, Whitmer-yes.** Meeting adjourned. The next Regularly Scheduled Session is scheduled for Tuesday, September 3, at 7:00 PM.

	Trustee
Fiscal Officer	Trustee
	Trustee