

COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
5686 KENWOOD ROAD CINCINNATI, OHIO 45227

Board of Trustees
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This meeting was open to the public, streamed live and available for viewing after the meeting. Columbia Township residents and businesses were also invited to email or call with comments or questions to be read and answered during "Open Forum". GrowingTogether@ColumbiaTwp.org; 513-561-6046.

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The Columbia Township Regular Board meeting was called to order by Trustee David Kubicki at 4:00 p.m.

In attendance

Those Trustees in attendance were Susan Hughes, Brian Lamar and David Kubicki. Township Administrator Melissa Taylor, Fiscal Officer Caroline Heekin, Police Lieutenant Paul Naber and Fire Chief Mike Siefke were also in attendance. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approval and Signing of Minutes –

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lamar to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2022. All Present voted yes.

Open Forum –

There were no residents signed in to speak and no messages to be read.

Department Reports –

Fiscal Officer's Report

Ms. Heekin's report was included with the meeting packet and is available for public inspection.

Road Superintendent Report

Mr. Frazier's report was included with the meeting packet and is available for public inspection. Ms. Taylor added that our crew is very hard at work in this the busiest season of all.

Administrator's Report

Ms. Taylor's report was included with the meeting packet and is available for public inspection.

Economic Development Quarterly Report

Mr. Montgomery's next Report will be in January (Jan/Apr/Jul/Oct)

Police Report

Lt. Naber's report was included with the meeting packet and is available for public inspection. Lt. Naber reminded residents that current weather and fallen leaves create slick roads so please be careful. There has been a spike in car thefts; specifically, Hyundai's and Kia's and the thefts seem to be coordinated. The most recent DEA Drug Takeback in October recovered just under 13 pounds of prescription drugs. Toys for Tots donations will be accepted through December 13th in boxes at the police districts. Mr. Lamar noted that crime in our township has decreased in 9 out of 10 areas.

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Department Reports – (cont.)

Little Miami JF&R District Report +

Deer Park-Silverton Fire District Report

Mr. Lamar reminded everyone that there is a Fire Levy on the ballot and reminded voters that the Chief has been very fiscally responsible. Mr. Lamar also thanked everyone involved in the very successful chili cookoff.

Trustees' Reports

Mr. Lamar noted that it has been great working together with Mariemont and ODOT on the shared use "Columbia Connector" portion of the Little Miami Scenic Trail and it will really improve the community.

Communications –

- Articles and communications
- Podcast Series "Making It Happen" and YouTube Channel Video Series
- Facebook Posts

Ms. Taylor added that there will be an Ice Skating at Fifty West admission and skate rental coupon in ValPak

Motions –

Ms. Taylor provided a brief refresher of background on the "Promenade" outdoor dining and how it came to be.

Ms. Taylor read a Motion to Provide a Letter of Support to Hamilton County Board of Commissioners for "The Promenade" 7227 Wooster Pike, PUD Major Adjustment for Permanent Outdoor Dining Plaza

Mr. Kubicki made a motion seconded by Ms. Hughes to adopt the motion. All present voted yes.

Resolutions –

One Reading:

Ms. Taylor provided the reading of a Resolution To Supplement Resolution 21-57, 2022 "Columbia Township 2022 Annual Appropriation," And Supplemental Appropriations 22-13, 22-18, 22-19, 22-27, 22-36, 22-39, 22-42, And 22-46, 2022. Mr. Kubicki made a motion seconded by Mr. Lamar to approve **RES 22-53**. All present voted yes.

Emergency:

Ms. Taylor provided the first reading of a Resolution Providing For And Authorizing Removal, Repair Or Securance Of Insecure, Unsafe Buildings Or Structures And Removal Or Repair Of Inoperable/Junk Vehicle, Declaring A Nuisance For Non-Compliant Property At 4119 Beech St. Owned By ATALM Properties, John And Donia Swisher, LLC Address 6624 Wooster Pike, Mariemont, Dispensing With The Second Reading, And Declaring An Emergency.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to dispense with the second reading. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to pass **RES 22-54**. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to declare an emergency. All present voted yes.

Ms. Taylor provided the first reading of a Resolution Authorizing The Columbia Township Administrator To Enter Into An Agreement For The Purchase Of Electricity For The Township's Electricity Aggregation Program, Dispensing With The Second Reading, And Declaring An Emergency.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to dispense with the second reading. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to pass **RES 22-55**. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to declare an emergency. All present voted yes.

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Resolutions – (cont.)

Emergency: (cont.)

Ms. Taylor provided the first reading of a Resolution Authorizing The Purchase Of One 2022 Ford Explorer Police Pursuit Vehicle And Equipment And To Replace 2016 Dodge Charger As Part Of Fleet Management, Dispensing With The Second Reading, And Declaring An Emergency.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to dispense with the second reading. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to pass **RES 22-56**. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to declare an emergency. All present voted yes.

Ms. Taylor provided the first reading of a Resolution Authorizing The Purchase Of One 2022 Chevy Equinox Vehicle And Equipment, Dispensing With The Second Reading, And Declaring An Emergency.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to dispense with the second reading. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lamar to pass **RES 22-57**. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to declare an emergency. All present voted yes.

Ms. Taylor provided the first reading of a Resolution Authorizing The Township Administrator To Enter Into A Contract With Howard’s Kitchen Studio, Columbia Township, For A Cabinetry Package For The Madison Place Firehouse Community-Senior-Private Event Center, Dispensing With The Second Reading, And Declaring An Emergency.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to dispense with the second reading. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to pass **RES 22-58**. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes to declare an emergency. All present voted yes.

Ms. Taylor provided the first reading of a Resolution Authorizing The Township Administrator To Enter Into A Contract With Madison House Cabinetry, Cincinnati, For A Cabinetry Package For The Madison Place Firehouse Community-Senior-Private Event Center, Dispensing With The Second Reading, And Declaring An Emergency.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lamar to dispense with the second reading. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lamar to pass **RES 22-59**. All present voted yes.

Mr. Kubicki made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lamar to declare an emergency. All present voted yes.

Approve Payment of Bills, Bank Reconciliation and Financial Reports –

Mr. Kubicki made a motion seconded by Mr. Lamar to approve payment of bills, Bank Reconciliation and Financial reports. All present voted to approve.

Signing of Minutes and Resolutions – Mr. Kubicki made a motion seconded by Mr. Lamar to sign the Minutes and Resolutions. All present voted yes.

Adjournment – Mr. Kubicki made a motion seconded by Mr. Lamar to adjourn. All present voted to adjourn.

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Date

David Kubicki

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Brian Lamar

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Caroline Heekin

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