

# Minutes of the August 30, 2020 Special Meeting of the Tecumseh Local Board of Education

**August 30, 2021**

The Tecumseh Local Board of Education met in special session on August 30, 2021 with board president Corinne Scott presiding. Mrs. Scott called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. The meeting was held in the Arrow Conference Room at Tecumseh High School, 9830 W. National Road, New Carlisle, Ohio 45344.

Roll Call: Present — Members Scott, Slagell, Brents, Martin, and Priest.  
Absent — None.

Mrs. Scott led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Mrs. Scott recognized guests.

## **New Business**

### *ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR - PERSONNEL*

Motion by Ms. Martin and second by Mrs. Brents:

#### Resignations

Sue Norrod, Title I Aide at Park Layne Elementary School. Effective August 12, 2021.  
Reason – Personal.

Sharon McCray, Monitor at Tecumseh High School, effective August 17, 2021. Reason –  
Personal.

Morgan Mumma, Safety Patrol Advisor at New Carlisle Elementary School. Effective  
August 18, 2021. Reason – Personal.

Frank Mastin, Bus Driver at Tecumseh Local Schools, effective August 24, 2021. Reason –  
Personal.

#### Employments – Classified

to approve the employment of the following individuals for the 2021-2022 school year, as  
presented.

Amanda Hepfer, Title I Aide at Park Layne Elementary School. Effective August 18, 2021.  
Step 0, \$12.54 per hour.

Morgan Mumma, Safety Monitor at New Carlisle Elementary School. Effective August 18,  
2021. Step 0, \$12.54 per hour.

Christy Crawford, Lunchroom Monitor at Park Layne Elementary School. Effective August  
18, 2021. Step 0, \$12.54 per hour.

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Christy Crawford, Latchkey Aide at Park Layne Elementary School. Effective August 18, 2021. Step 0, \$12.54 per hour.

Shirley Myers, Evening Custodian at Tecumseh High School. Effective September 7, 2021. Step 0, \$15.03 per hour.

Saron Rivera, Part-time Library Aide at Tecumseh Middle School. Effective August 30, 2021. Step 0, \$12.54 per hour.

Saron Rivera, Part-time EL Aide at Tecumseh Middle School. Effective August 30, 2021. Step 0, \$13.65 per hour.

### Employment – Supplemental – Miscellaneous

Justin Hoke, Fall Play Assistant Director

### Employments – Substitute 2021-2022

to approve the individual listed below to be employed as substitute on an as-needed basis for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented.

Jennifer Fitzpatrick, Classified

### Employments – Supplemental – Travel

to approve the following individual and travel amount for the 2021-2022 school year as presented.

Meagan Walters                      \$1,000

Roll Call:    Ayes, Members Martin, Brents, Priest, Slagell, and Scott.  
                  Nays, none.    Motion carried 5-0.

### ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR – FINANCIAL

Motion by Mrs. Slagell and second by Mr. Priest:

### Donations

to accept the following donations made to Tecumseh Local Schools.

Fireworks	Koverman Staley Dickerson	\$250.00
Fireworks	Genesis 7 Properties	\$1,500.00
Fireworks	R.D. Holder Oil Co.	\$250.00
Fireworks	Lee's Chicken	\$250.00
Fireworks	Pro-Filer Performance Products	\$500.00
Fireworks	Staffco Construction Inc.	\$250.00

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### Replace the HVAC System at the Board Office

to approve a contract with Advanced Mechanical to remove 2 old oil furnaces and air conditioners and install 2 new 95% natural gas furnaces and new 13 seer air conditioners. Regulators, start-up and new thermostats included, \$20,974.

### Water Tower Bypass

to approve a contract with T.C Holzen, Inc. to install a shut-off valve for the water tower. Estimated cost is \$40,000.

### Find and Repair Water Leak at the Board Office

to approve a contact with Alec Ashbaugh and his subcontractors to find and repair the water leak at the board office. Estimated cost is \$15,000.

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Slagell, Priest, Martin, Brents, and Scott.  
Nays, None. Motion carried 5-0.

### Tecumseh Local School District

- We will have a five-year emergency levy renewal on the ballot in November. This levy generates approximately \$712,000 annually. We have been fortunate in the past with passage of renewal levies, and hope that continues.
- Tecumseh will be looking for new money at some point in the future since our deficit spending is greater than what we are bringing in. ESSER and Covid Relief funds have helped, but in about three years it will all be used up.
- We are looking to form a Levy Committee and ask for support from the community.
- We have used our ESSER and Covid Relief funds on various things throughout the district such as provide virtual teachers last year during remote learning, provide additional nurses so that each building has their own nurse, purchase over 975 additional Chromebooks giving us a 1:1 ratio for students to devices over the next 5-7 years. We offered a Summer Learning Program for students in need of extra help and will do the same for the next two years. A lot of academic growth came from this program.
- Our first home football game of the season is this Friday. The team has a 2-0 record thus far. We will be honoring our First Responders and will have various equipment on site for young and old alike to see and explore. It will also be Senior Night, where we honor the seniors in our fall sports. The evening will end with a firework presentation sponsored by the generous donations of several area businesses.

### City of New Carlisle

- City Clean-up scheduled for September 25, at the site of the former Westlake School. No appliances, no paint, no regular trash. There is a \$5 charge per tire. Volunteers are always welcomed. A list of items that will be accepted is posted on the City's website and FaceBook page. This is for city residents only.
- Community Garden, we have a record number of families participating this year. We have been getting so much produce that we are able to provide food to the food pantry and the excess is taken to Mr. Mac's grocery store where it is given free to anyone who would like it.



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- The Adams Street water tower was taken off line and demolished. There would have been a substantial rate increase if it had been kept.
- The Madison Street school has been demolished.
- Good partnerships going on right now with Clark County, the first is CHIP 2021. When finalized this would provide between \$80-\$100,000 to fund home improvement loans to New Carlisle residents. We also applied for \$440,000 of CDBG Covid Cares Funds. This is in the final stages of approval to build a second shelter house at Smith Park. Our current shelter house is booked sometimes years in advance for certain dates. The new structure would be a benefit to the community as well as be an additional source of revenue from the rental fees.
- Heritage of Flight Festival is back on for 2021. It will be held October 1-3, and will include a firework display Saturday evening.

### Bethel Township

- There will be 3 2-mil renewal levies on the ballot for Fire & EMS. This enables us to continue to provide our current level of service and allows for maintenance of our buildings as well as replace vehicles as needed. We are facing staffing difficulties at a rate not seen before.
- There will be a Police Levy on the ballot. It will show as a new levy, but it is a replacement for an expired levy. Extra money has been added to it, making it a 1.75 mil levy. It originally paid for 2 deputies when it first went on, we were close to not even having it pay for 1 deputy. With this levy we can maintain our current level of service. If it fails, Bethel Township will have no deputies.
- Gas station at the corner of 40 and 235, building was started without ODOT permits. They are in the final stages of approval. A well needs to be added also.
- The Old Dominion Trucking transfer station located at 235 & 70 started construction without contacting Clark County. Property is in Montgomery County, but the water and sewer come from Clark County and there was no agreement for water and sewer. A Joint Economic Development agreement is being worked on between the county, the township and Huber Heights.
- American Rescue Plan brought in \$1.2 million, with lots of strings attached, there are very few things that qualify. Replacing catch basins in Park Layne and running water to the fire station are two projects that qualify for use of these funds.
- The police levy equates to 16 cents per day for a \$100,000 home.
- The police blitz activities are producing results and helping to make the community safer and let the drug dealers know that we are serious. The last blitz resulted in 41 traffic stops, 5 speeding violations, 10 driving under suspension, 4 driving with no license, 1 seat belt violation, 1 fictitious plate, 17 warnings, 2 criminal arrests, 4 warrant arrests, 3 misdemeanor arrests, and 1 felony arrest.
- Round the clock deputies are needed in the township. Certain medic calls require a deputy to be on scene before the medics can enter. The faster the deputy arrives, the faster medical care can start. There is a higher medic call volume this year over last. Seeing more calls that require a deputy first.
- Inquiry about partnering with technology and bulk gas purchase possibilities.

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### Village of Donnelsville

- Mayor had to resign for personal reason. Marie Kettlehake is the new Mayor. A new trash ordinance is in place, residents are cleaning up their homes.

### Clark County

- The Upper Valley Mall has been sold and will become a business park. There are already two business lined up. Renovations will be made to the outside of the building, and the inside will be restructured.
- Sales tax revenue is up for the county.
- A total of \$26 million will be received in Covid funding, \$13 million has already been received. A committee has been formed to work within the limitations to see how it can best be used.
- There is a lot of building in the area of 41 & 70. Upgrades are being made to the fairgrounds. There is a new hotel going in, and possibly a second.
- We are working on putting a water line in to go in from Park Layne to 40 & 235.

### Clark County Sheriff's Department

- There are 2 new SRO's. Deputy Crump is now at Northwestern, replacing Deputy Grogg who went back to the detective bureau. Deputy Penewit is at STEM and ESC.
- The county hired 10 new corrections officers; they are just completing their training.
- The New Carlisle sub station has moved to the former World Threads building.

### State Representative

- Congrats to everyone on the Federal Funds that are being used. Please use the funds wisely.
- HB248, dealing with vaccines. It is an all-encompassing bill. Over 1,000 people have testified, some are for, some against. It's a very difficult juggling act, how do you keep people safe and protect their rights and freedoms too?
- HB22 passed in the spring saying that the Governor can continue to issue emergency health orders, but they expire after 90 days unless the general assembly votes to extend them. After 30 days they have a right to vote to rescind a health order if they don't agree with it.
- Working on a guns under disability law where if people are caught a second time with a firearm under disability, the penalty would be raised to a Felony 2 with a longer jail sentence.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Ms. Martin at 7:48 p.m. to recess into Executive Session to discuss Negotiations and Safety.

Second by Mrs. Brents.

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Martin, Brents, Priest, Slagell, and Scott.  
Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting reconvened to Joint Meeting at 8:28 p.m.



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## Negotiations

Motion by Ms. Martin and second by Mrs. Brents to approve a 2% increase on base, \$500 stipend for certified members of TEA, and to create an Insurance Committee. As in past practice, this would also apply to Transportation Staff, Exempt Employees, and all Administrators.

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Martin, Brents, Slagell, and Scott.  
Abstained, Member Priest.  
Nays, none. Motion carried 4-0.


## **Adjournment**

Motion by Ms. Martin to adjourn the meeting.

Second by Mr. Priest.

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Martin, Priest, Brents, Slagell, and Scott.  
Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

  
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President

  
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Treasurer