

RUSHCREEK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING
02/26/2016

Chairman Hart Van Horn, Chairman called the Rushcreek Township Trustees Board meeting to order at 4:32pm leading with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those in attendance in addition to Hart were: Dave Myers, Trustee; Bill Myers, Trustee; and Connie Moyer, Fiscal Officer.

The following notice was sent to the Eagle Gazette and placed on the township website:

The Rushcreek Township Board of Trustees will hold a Special Meeting on Friday, February 26 at 4:30 p.m. to consider security arrangements at the township hall, the road department and the fire department. Upon call to order, the Trustees will move into Executive Session under Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G) (6) "Details relative to the security arrangements of matters discussed could reasonably be expected to jeopardize the security of the public body or public office".

After Executive Session, the Trustees may continue the business of the Township and consider actions for the security of the Township property and public body.

Visitors

Loren Young, Dave Pugh, Tim Thomas, Phil Miller, Bruce Duck, Tracy Shahan, Mary Hoffman, Chad Ashbaugh, Lisa Burnsworth, Allison & Kenny Nethers, Jim Van Horn, and Renee Huffer.

Hart explained that security measures are an ongoing concern and that was the reason for scheduling this meeting. At Bill's request Connie read the notice that was sent to the Eagle Gazette and placed on the website. Hart granted the floor to Mr. Young who addressed the board and advised that he was contacted around 3pm by Mr. Foltz who stated he would not be present.

At 4:36pm Trustee Bill Myers made a motion to go into Executive Session under ORC 121.22 (G) (6) to consider security arrangements at the township hall, the road department, and the fire department and Dave Myers seconded the motion. Mr. Young was invited to attend the Executive Session. Roll Call: Hart, aye; Bill, aye; Dave, aye. When questioned about the time frame, Hart responded that it was the Board's goal to have everything wrapped up by 6pm.

Several citizens requested to be contacted once Executive Session ended. Trustee Dave Myers agreed and took telephone numbers of those who wished to have Dave notify them.

Executive session ended at 7:25pm. Open Session began at 7:26pm with Dave making telephone calls. Several citizens expressed their frustration with not receiving a courtesy update on the progress of the meeting since it exceeded the anticipated time frame. Hart apologized for the delays and again stated that security arrangements are an ongoing concern for our township with many details to be resolved and the process was not complete. Hart informed the public that his and the board's intent in scheduling this evening's meeting and Executive Session was to remove the burden of time and inconvenience to the citizens at regular Business Meetings. Additional sessions such as this would be needed.

Hart turned the floor over to Trustee Dave Myers. Dave reported that he called people back when he thought he could. Dave announced the upcoming work session of March 2nd will be held from 6:00pm-6:45pm to discuss meeting procedures and, if time allows, the recycling program.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:31pm.