

**Brimfield Township Board of Trustees  
Regular Meeting  
January 4, 2017**

The Brimfield Township Board of Trustees met for a regular meeting on the above date at the Brimfield Town Hall. Present were Trustees, C.J. Sprague, Jr., Sue Fields, Mike Kostensky, and Fiscal Officer John Dalziel.

The meeting was called to order by Sue Fields, Chairman, at 2:46 PM.

**MOTION #2017-20**

Mike Kostensky moved to accept the minutes from the December 21, 2016 meeting as amended. C. J. Sprague, Jr. second.

Mike Kostensky – yea	Sue Fields - yea
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – yea	Motion Passed

**MOTION #2017-21**

Mike Kostensky moved to approve the warrants. C. J. Sprague, Jr. second.

Mike Kostensky – yea	Sue Fields - yea
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – yea	Motion Passed

**MOTION #2017-22**

C. J. Sprague, Jr. moved to approve the agenda as presented. Sue Fields second.

Mike Kostensky – yea	Sue Fields - yea
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – yea	Motion Passed

**Police:** - No Action

**Fire:** - No Action

**Zoning:** -

**MOTION #2017-23**

Sue Fields moved to reappoint Gary Rodd for a new term 1/1/17 to 12/31/2021. C. J. Sprague, Jr. second.

Mike Kostensky -	Abstain	Sue Fields	-	No
C. J. Sprague, Jr.	No	Motion Failed		

**MOTION #2017-24**

C. J. Sprague, Jr. moved to appoint Pat Blair to the zoning commission 1/1/17 to 12/31/2021. Mike Kostensky second.

Mike Kostensky -	Yes	Sue Fields	-	Abstain
C. J. Sprague, Jr.	Yes	Motion Passed		

**MOTION #2017-25**

Sue Fields moved to appoint Tom Johnson to the zoning commission as an alternate 1/1/17 to 12/31/2021. C. J. Sprague, Jr. second.

Mike Kostensky – yea	Sue Fields - yea
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – yea	Motion Passed

**MOTION #2017-26**

Sue Fields moved to appoint Scot Etling to the BZA for a term of 1/1/17 to 12/31/2021. C. J. Sprague, Jr. second.

Mike Kostensky – yea	Sue Fields - yea
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – yea	Motion Passed

MOTION #2017-27

Sue Fields moved to appoint Cheryl Rueschman and Nick Coia to the BZA as alternates 1/1/17 to 12/31/2021. Mike Kostensky second.

Mike Kostensky – yea Sue Fields - yea  
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – yea Motion Passed

**Township Executive** -

MOTION #2017-28

Mike Kostensky moved for the

**RESOLUTION OF AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR CLEAN OHIO FUNDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND PRESERVATION OF BRIMFIELD BUTTONBUSH SWAMP**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Ohio, through the Ohio Public Works Commission, administers financial assistance for conservation purposes through the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program; and

**WHEREAS**, Brimfield Township wishes to obtain financial assistance under the Clean Ohio Program to purchase and permanently protect the approximately 22.5-acre **BRIMFIELD BUTTONBUSH SWAMP** property (“the Property”), located on Cline Road in northeastern Brimfield Township in Portage County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Property’s preservation with a perpetual conservation easement will safeguard its natural assets, which include multiple habitat types--marsh with shrub/scrub borders, upland meadow, and wooded areas—and Breakneck Creek, which flows northward through the Property toward the Cuyahoga River;

**WHEREAS**, Brimfield Township intends to make the Property available to the public for passive recreational activities and research/educational purposes upon its acquisition and encumbrance with a conservation easement;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Trustees of Brimfield Township that:**

Section 1: John Dalziel, Fiscal Officer, is hereby authorized to apply to the OPWC for Clean Ohio Conservation Program funds on behalf of Brimfield Township.

Section 2: John Dalziel, Fiscal Officer, is authorized to enter into any agreements as may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining this financial assistance. C. J. Sprague, Jr. second.

Approved this 4th day of January 2017

Signed: Sue Fields, Township Trustee

Mike Kostensky, Township Trustee

Charles Chick Sprague, Township Trustee

Mike Kostensky – yea Sue Fields - yea  
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – no Motion Passed

**Roads** - No Action

**Cemetery** -

MOTION #2017-29

C. J. Sprague, Jr. moved to purchase back 3 graves from Tami Evans at a price of \$200.00. Mike Kostensky second.

Mike Kostensky – yea Sue Fields - yea  
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – yea Motion Passed

**Administration** -

MOTION #2017-30

Mike Kostensky moved to request a hearing at the Ohio Division of Liquor Control to discuss the transfer of License 5357677. Sue Fields second.

Mike Kostensky – no                      Sue Fields - no  
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – no                      Motion Failed

MOTION #2017-31

Sue Fields moved to adjourn to executive session at 3:35 PM to discuss PD Personnel. Mike Kostensky second. In attendance Trustees, TE, and PD Chief and Fiscal Officer.

Mike Kostensky – yea                      Sue Fields - yea  
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – yea                      Motion Passed

MOTION #2017-32

Mike Kostensky moved to return from executive session at 3:46 PM. Sue Fields second.

Mike Kostensky – yea                      Sue Fields - yea  
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – absent                      Motion Passed

As a result of Executive Session the following.

MOTION #2017-33

Mike Kostensky moved to approve the revised Chief contract for Chief Roy Mosley of the Brimfield Police Department. The revised contract will take effect 1/5/17 to 12/31/2022. C. J. Sprague, Jr. second.

Mike Kostensky – yea                      Sue Fields - yea  
C.J. Sprague, Jr. – yea                      Motion Passed

There being no further business to come before this meeting of the Brimfield Township Board of Trustees Mike Kostensky moved at 3:48 PM to adjourn. Motion seconded by C. J. Sprague, Jr. and upon a roll call vote motion passed.

We, the Trustees of Brimfield Township, do hereby set our hands as approval of the foregoing minutes as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

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Chairman

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Fiscal Officer