

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**German Township Board of Trustees**  
**Special Session**  
**June 18, 2015**

The German Township Trustees met in a regular session on Thursday, June 18, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. at the German Township Office, 3940 Lawrenceville Drive, Springfield, Ohio. The meeting is called into order by Mr. Rodney Kaffenbarger, President.

**Roll Call:** Mr. Clark – present; Mr. Metzger – present; Mr. Kaffenbarger – present

**Other Township Personnel present:** Angela Griest, Fiscal Officer Karina Emory, Secretary; and George Degenhart, Zoning Inspector.

**Visitors:** Steve Bevan, Bill Wolfarth, John Rehm

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Purpose:** Mr. Kaffenbarger stated that the purpose of this meeting was to discuss the supplemental Township Permissive Motor Vehicle License Tax as authorized by the Ohio Revised Code.

**Discussion Points/Comments:**

Currently there is a \$15.00 fee on the motor vehicle license tax. Of that fee, the Township only receives approximately \$3.00. The Township will receive 100% of this \$5.00 increase. This will give us an additional \$40,000, which will go into the maintenance department funds to provide for road expenses.

The State Motor Vehicle License tax is based on the mileage of the Township. There are a total of 8 Permissive taxes that the Ohio Revised code allows; however, only 4 of them can be in affect at one time. The County currently has 3: One we receive no funds from, the other two we receive 30% of each one. The Township tax would be the fourth allowed tax; it would be \$5.00 and the Township receives 100 % of it.

Out of the ten Townships in Clark County, 50% have enacted this permissive tax, 50% have not.

Mr. Rehm stated he felt the cost for motor vehicle registration was already high enough; we don't need this additional \$5.00 added to the cost.

Mr. Wolfarth stated that although he doesn't like to see the increase, he felt better knowing that the whole \$5.00 would go to the Township.

There was a discussion concerning the Township Budget. With the loss of the estate tax money, personal property tax loss, and the decrease in the local government fund, the trustee expenses have been distributed among other departments. We have also reduced the amount we are spending on road paving this year due to our lower funds. This tax will help to offset the costs that are coming out of the road funds.

Mr. Wolfarth also wanted to inform the Trustees about the OPWC loans that are available for governments to borrow funds for road work. The County does take advantage of these loans. The application deadline is August 31<sup>st</sup>.

Motion to adjourn: Mr. Metzger 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Clark Roll Call: Ayes – All

Approved by:

Board of German Township Trustees

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rodney Kaffenbarger, President

Recorded in the  
Record of Proceedings  
June 18, 2015

\_\_\_\_\_  
Robert Clark, Vice President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Charles Metzger, Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Angela D. Griest, Fiscal Officer