

BAZETTA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Date: November 16, 2024, 9:00 am
Bazetta Township Administration Building
3372 State Route 5, N.E.
Cortland, Ohio 44410

Present:

Chairman Trustee Michael Hovis ____
Vice Chairman Trustee Bob McBride ____
Trustee Michael Morelli ____
Fiscal Officer Stacy Marling ____

Chairman Trustee Hovis opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and followed with a moment of silence.

142-24 Motion to adopt a Resolution to authorize township legal counsel to bring suit against the Trumbull County Auditor for failure to comply with her statutory duties.

WHEREAS, real estate taxes are collected from the residents of Bazetta Township and paid to the Trumbull County Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the after each semi-annual real estate tax payment is due, on February 15 and August 10, the Trumbull County Auditor is required by law to settle with the Trumbull County Treasurer And calculate the payment due to each taxing authority in the county, and the Trumbull County Auditor is required to immediately after each settlement distribute from the Trumbull county treasury by warrant or by direct deposit the taxes collected to each local taxing authority, pursuant to O.R.C. §321.31 and §321.34; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Bazetta Township timely made their real estate tax payments, however, the Trumbull County Auditor failed to pay the real estate taxes collected from the residents of Bazetta Township in August 2024 to Bazetta Township, in violation of her statutory duties, instead depositing the money in a fraudulent account.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Bazetta Township authorizes Cherry Lynne Poteet, as attorney for Bazetta Township, to file suit against the Trumbull County Auditor, seeking a writ of mandamus or other order requiring the Trumbull County Auditor to distribute the real estate taxes due the township in accordance with law.

Motion: Trustee _____

Second: Trustee _____

Vote: Trustee McBride ____ Trustee Hovis ____ Trustee Morelli ____

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Resolution to adjourn meeting at _____.

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Second: Trustee _____

Vote: Trustee McBride ____ Trustee Hovis ____ Trustee Morelli ____

Chairman Trustee Michael J. Hovis

Date

Vice Chairman Trustee Bob McBride

Date

Trustee Michael Morelli

Date