

MANTUA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING

Held April 9, 2015

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The Board of Trustees of Mantua Township convened in special session from 6:00-6:55 p.m. in the Mantua Township Hall to discuss indigent burial for Dawn Pechman. Chairman Jason Carlton called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. with the following members and visitors present: Jason Carlton, John Festa, Victor Grimm, Trustees. BZA Secretary Betsy Woolf, taking minutes for Marie Stehli. Susan Skrovan, Julie Aldrich, Barb Herbold, Larry Lietzow, Steve Zielinski, Carole Pollard, Dave Pollard.

No one has claimed Ms. Pechman's body and no funds are available for burial. ~~By law~~ Pursuant to ORC 9.15 the township is responsible to take care of the burial. If body is not claimed within 48 hours it has to be embalmed. Per Dave Green's Funderal home policy, Dave Green has four options for burial.

Jason stated that there are people that want to donate monies. Dave Green is not willing to take donations.

Vic spoke to Chris Meduri about how to handle the donations. Chris state that they need to go to a single source. Vic discussed this with Marie, who suggested Mantua Township pay the bill and donations would go for reimbursement for services provided.

Vic stated that the township is responsible for providing a grave, open/close, marker and reasonable services. Jason said that Chris stated if you can't prove indigent, then the township has to move forward. Vic added that this applies not only to this case but to anyone who dies in the township that is indigent. Chris always recommends a full burial in case of exhumation at a later time.

Jason stated a policy for indigent burials with a cap on it needs to be discussed at the next regular meeting. Dave Green stated that Ms. Pechman did attend a church and they are planning memorial service. Larry Lietzow asked if anyone knew how much donations are. John Festa said there a lot out there.

Julie Aldrich said that the minister of the church Dawn attended suggested that the obituary read that in lieu of flowers donations will be accepted and the church would set up a bank account.

RES 73-15 Jason made a motion for the indigent Dawn Pechman that the township choose the standard burial that Dave Green has for Municipalities in the amount of \$2560.00 outlined by Greens Funeral Services. seconded by John Festa. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton yes, John Festa yes, Victor Grimm, yes.

RES 74-15 Jason Carlton made a motion that any donations from organizations or people would come to the attention of Mantua Township and those donations would be a direct deduction of the cost of the burial after Dave Green has been paid, seconded by John Festa. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton yes, John Festa yes, Victor Grimm, yes. ▬

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It would be up to the church to decide how to handle its donations.

RES 75-15 Motion to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. made by Jason Carlton, seconded by John Festa. Vote as follows: Jason Carlton yes, John Festa yes, Victor Grimm, yes.

Victor Grimm

Jason Carlton

John Festa

Marie Louise Stehli, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Mantua Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.