



COALITION of LARGE OHIO URBAN TOWNSHIPS
Annual Meeting
Thursday, February 6, 2020

11:15 a.m.

MINUTES

- I. Welcome - Chair Matacic called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m. She introduced the CLOUT Executive Committee members present and Marisa Myers, OTA Director of Government Affairs.

- II. Procedural
 - A. Membership Update – Chair Matacic reported that there were 56 townships that joined as members in 2019. She reported that as of February 6th, there were 48 townships that had joined for 2020. She reminded the Coalition that dues must have been submitted prior to the annual meeting in order to be a voting member.
 - B. Financial Update – Chair Matacic reported that the CLOUT fund balance, as of February 6th, is \$123,783.76. The Coalition sponsored two snack breaks at the OTA Winter Conference again this year at a cost of \$7,500.
 - C. Adoption of Proposed Bylaws Change - Chair Matacic reported that the CLOUT Executive Committee is recommending several cleanup changes in the bylaws pursuant to the review requested at the last annual meeting. Coalition members received a summary of the proposed changes and copies of the old and new bylaws. **Barbara Lang moved, seconded by Carolyn Destefani, to approve the bylaws as amended. Motion carried.**

- III. Legislative
 - A. CLOUT 133rd General Assembly Legislative Priorities – Myers provided a legislative update and an update on CLOUT priorities. The Coalition members received a legislative status sheet and a copy of the CLOUT priorities with notations for which items had passed or were pending in current legislation.

- IV. Informational
 - A. Presentation by Wendell Cox – Chair Matacic introduced Wendell Cox, renowned researcher and author of the Cox Report. Originally published in 2012, the Cox Report is a study on the effectiveness and efficiency of township government. The OTA, in conjunction with CLOUT, sponsored an update on the report with specific data for large townships. Wendell presented his findings related to large townships and entertained questions from the membership. Members were provided an insert with data specific to large townships.

- V. Items for the Good of the Organization
 - A. Chair Matacic reminded of the membership of the two CLOUT sponsored breaks at the OTA Winter Conference and the CLOUT workshop scheduled for 4:45 p.m. on Thursday, February 6th.

VI. CLOUT Executive Committee Elections

A. The Coalition broke into four regions to elect the Executive Committee members for 2020-2021 as follows:

1. Central – Edward Drobina (Violet Township/Fairfield County), Jamie Fisher (Norwich Township/Franklin County), Rob Peters (Prairie Township/Franklin County), and Paul Wise (Genoa Township/Delaware County).
2. East – Tom Costello (Boardman Township/Mahoning County), Jeff Markley (Bainbridge Township/Geauga County), Andy Rose (Concord Township/Lake County), and Michael Vaccaro (Jackson Township/Stark County).
3. Northwest – Gary Boyle (Perkins Township/Erie County), Jeff Ferrell (Perkins Township/Erie County), Andy Glenn (Springfield Township/Lucas County), and Oliver Turner (Sylvania Township/Lucas County).
4. Southwest – Christine Maticic (Liberty Township/Butler County), Karl Schultz (Miami Township/Clermont County), Cheryl Sieve (Delhi Township/Hamilton County), and Barry Tiffany (Sugar creek Township/Greene County).

V. Adjournment – **Barry Tiffany moved, seconded by Ken Carano, to adjourn the meeting upon the completion of the regional CLOUT Executive Committee elections. Motion carried.**