

Violet Township Board of Trustees

August 21, 2013

Regular Meeting

Mr. Myers (Vice Chair) called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Myers advised everyone that Mr. Dunlap would be a few minutes late for the meeting.

Mr. Smith, Fiscal Officer called the role: Mr. Myers and Mr. Weltlich were present. Others present were: Director of Operations, Bill Yapple; Engineer, Greg Butcher; Fire Chief, John Eisel.

Mr. Myers asked everyone in attendance to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence honoring those who protect us around the world. Mr. Weltlich also added that a moment of silence be taken for Bob Harding, a Patriot we just recently lost.

Mr. Weltlich moved to approve, without public reading, the minutes of the Regular meeting of August 7, 2013 as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll Call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion passes 2-0.

Recognition of Guests:

None

Public Comment:

County Authorities:

Chief Deputy Perrigo was present. Chief Perrigo reported they have had several car break-ins in the area and they caught two separate groups.

They have started using a new records management system this summer. They have online access to it and can get reports in the cars when connected to the internet, even at home.

The issue with the Clerk of Courts is heating up.

They are doing CPR and AED training for all personnel.

All the new cars are in service and the new computers are working well.

There is a public hearing on September 10th at 11:00 a.m. and at 6:00 p.m. on the new jail facility. It is either going to happen or they will quit talking about it.

Departmental Reports

Fire Department

Chief Eisel reported six of his tactical team members have joined forces with the Fairfield County Swat Team. This just expands upon our already incredible working relationship with all of our partners in law enforcement.

Chief Eisel reported he just returned from the Fire Rescue International 2013 Association of Fire Chiefs Conference. We were awarded the Organizational Safety Award through the International Association of Fire Chiefs. Three of these awards were given out to Fire Departments across the entire United States. Chief Eisel thanked the Trustees for all their support through the different initiatives and programs throughout the years. At the next Trustee meeting Chief Eisel proposed to bring some key members that worked on this to recognize the collective efforts.

Chief Eisel reported they are still working on the cot lifting system. They are going to Ferno in Wilmington, Ohio on Monday. Our CAD system is being replaced as part of the Federal Grants that we received in partnership with Licking County.

Chief Eisel was going to be letting staff know that one of our volunteers lost his brother in a tragic auto accident and asked that everyone keep family in our thoughts and prayers.

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Chief Eisel had three (3) resolutions to present.

The first resolution is to bring forth six (6) individuals; Daniel Arnold, Brandon Assmann, Evan Beck, Zach Leckrone, Shaun Mosedale and Cory Spires to be appointed to the department as part time firefighters, Level 1. Each has completed their pre-hire background investigation process and is contingent upon successful completion of a physical examination, and has a one-year probationary period as defined in the Fire Department rules and regulations. **Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2013-0821-01 – Appoint New Part Time Firefighters, Level 1. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2013-0821-01 passes 3-0.**

The second resolution is to bring forth two (2) individuals; Lee Little and Joe Pineda to be appointed to the department as Volunteer Firefighters. Each one has completed their pre-hire background investigation process and is contingent upon successful completion of a physical examination, and has a one-year probationary period as defined in the Fire Department rules and regulations. **Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2013-0821-02 – Appoint New Volunteer Firefighters. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2013-0821-02 passes 3-0.**

The third resolution was (as part of the planning session), it is time to continue with the next phase of flooring replacement due to age and condition at Station 591, 593 and part of station 592 by America's Floor Source at a cost not to exceed \$7500.00. **Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2013-0821-03 – Authorize Replacement of Floors. Seconded by Mr. Myers.** Discussion: Mr. Dunlap asked if this was carpet or tile. Chief Eisel said it was a combination of both. **Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2013-0821-03 passes 3-0.**

Mr. Myers asked Mr. Smith to let the record show that Mr. Dunlap arrived at the meeting at 7:47 p.m. Mr. Myers turned the meeting back over to Mr. Dunlap.

Mr. Myers congratulated Chief Eisel on the Safety Award as they did an outstanding job and also Mr. Weltlich for standing behind everything with safety. Chief Eisel said all of this would not be possible without the Trustees financial support. Mr. Weltlich added that this was a monumental event.

Mr. Weltlich asked if he still had some vacancies with full and part time firefighters. Chief Eisel said he has a meeting next week with Lieutenant Davis who handles all of that. We are not having any scheduling issues.

Mr. Weltlich added it was interesting to see the shift in trends in the way the runs are and said it was an excellent report.

Township Engineer:

Mr. Butcher followed up on the Stormwater Utility Feasibility Workshop they had. Mr. Butcher has been asked to contact other county agencies to see what their position is on this.

Mr. Butcher reported the Shelly Company started paving today.

Mr. Butcher and Chief Eisel have had some communication regarding vehicle education training. They had about 4 or 5 wrecked vehicles at the old shop. Some were turned over, some were on their side. Mr. Butcher received a few phone calls wanting to know what is going on behind his building. Since then everything has been cleaned up.

Mr. Butcher also reported that earlier in the year the Fire Department purchased 4 new meters that monitor the level of oxygen in a confined space and Chief Eisel gave Mr. Butcher one of the old ones. Mr. Butcher explained this allows them to monitor different kinds of gas and explosive levels in an excavation. Chief Eisel's group came in and trained them on how to use it and they put new sensors in it. Mr. Butcher appreciated their efforts.

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Mr. Butcher reported they had a complete walk through of the maintenance building for a BWC Safety Audit. Other than some housekeeping issues which they have addressed it went very well.

At the last meeting the Trustees authorized a resolution for the hiring of ADR & Associates for Safe Routes to School. Mr. Butcher had a contract the Trustees needed to sign for ODOT.

Mr. Dunlap mentioned to have someone look at the berm on Waterloo Road as there are some big holes where people shortcut.

Director of Operations:

Mr. Yaple reported he has spoken to the Ohio Historical Preservation Office regarding Busey Park and he sent them the information EMH&T found when they did the study. The letter has been sent to the preservation office. Once we get the letter back that will go to the ODNR. The Forester has contacted Mr. Yaple who will look at the woods and get back to Mr. Yaple.

We have a proposal from South Central Power to increase the cost of lighting for Eastchester Subdivision, however we did not get the information soon enough to make an assessment for 2014. The total increase has not been approved by their board yet so they are not sure what the dollar amount will be. For us to go through the public hearing, the advertisement and be prepared to submit all the information to the County Auditor by September 1st we could not meet that deadline to collect added money for 2014. However, over the years we have accumulated monies more than we have spent out. They are looking at about \$1.50 on 32 lights per month so it is less than \$500 a year. Mr. Yaple feels we can carry this through ok for 2014 and then we would have the added money in 2015. Mr. Smith thought the cleanest way to do this would be to tell them they missed the deadline. Mr. Dunlap felt it was procedure for us (if we have to have more than what is there) is we have to have a public hearing. Mr. Weltlich suggested having our Law Director draft a letter to them. Mr. Yaple added again that the board had still not met to verify the rates.

Mr. Yaple reported that on Moving Forward Ohio we finally got the gas removed from the Blacklick Eastern Road project. We are waiting on the last piece of paper to come through and then we can contact the demo contractor. We are looking at a property at 9550 Waterloo Eastern Road to come down.

Mr. Yaple gave the Trustees copies of a letter from Gene Hollins regarding the bed tax issue.

Mr. Yaple reported Doc and Will have all the vehicles programmed for the new fuel system and it is ready to start recording.

We are waiting for the lines to be installed for the folks at Truro so we can start using those for shared services.

Mr. Yaple had a request from Fairfield County Disability Center who bought Grace Church on SR256. They want to put their logo up on the front of the building. Because it is a Conditional Use in a residential district and all government buildings, and churches and schools are in our code there is no signage provisions in that code because it is a residential district. They have to go through a Conditional Use process (which there is an application fee). Mr. Yaple asked the Trustees if they would consider waiving the fee since it is a County Agency. Mr. Yaple added we have done this in the past with other governmental agencies. **Mr. Weltlich made a motion to Waive the Fees for a Sign Variance for the Developmental Disabilities Board for a building sign on the building they purchased on SR256 for Grace Fellowship Church. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion: Mr. Smith wanted clarification that the motion that was on the agenda should say "purchased from and not purchased for." Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion A2013-0821 passes 3-0.**

Fiscal Officer:

Mr. Smith reported they have their first two tax advances from the County.

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Mr. Smith reported he met with Huntington and pointed out some ways they could improve their service. Mr. Smith will have an update at the next meeting.

Mr. Smith said he would have an appropriations report a few days before the meetings at the next Trustee meeting.

Mr. Weltlich asked how far we were reconciled on the checking account. Mr. Smith said he had not reconciled since he came back from his trip and therefore it was through May.

Mr. Weltlich also asked for the report he used to generate that showed our investments and the interest rate (quarterly if possible).

Trustee Reports:

Mr. Weltlich reported he attended the City Council meeting last night and there was nothing on the agenda regarding the TIFF. Mr. Weltlich believes City Council will meet next Tuesday to discuss this. City Council read the first and second reading for the appointment of seat vacated by Brian Sauer.

Mr. Dunlap reported that he was at Busey Park and noticed an ATV has been there pretty regular. He thought maybe we should post a sign "NO ATV'S" and asked the Trustees to address the issue. Mr. Dunlap said to check with Metro Parks to see what kind of language they have on their signs.

Trustees out of Office Meetings Where More than one (1) Trustee present

There will be no Trustees at tomorrow's Chamber Luncheon.

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

New Business

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be held Wednesday, September 4, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative offices.

Pay Bills

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion passes 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:21 to discuss personnel issues per the Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 G4 to include Chief Eisel and the (3) Trustees. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion passes. 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 10:13 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion passes. 3-0.

Adjournment

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:13 p.m. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion passes 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:13 pm.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher H. Smith, Fiscal Officer

Joniann Goldberg, Administrative
Assistant

Approved by:

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Trustee

Gary P. Weltlich, Trustee

Date: _____