

Violet Township Board of Trustees

July 1, 2015

Regular Meeting

Mr. Weltlich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Eisel called the roll: Gary Weltlich, Terry Dunlap, Sr. and Harry Myers, Jr. were present. Others present were: Director of Operations, John Eisel; Fire Chief, Mike Little and Assistant Fire Chief, Jim Paxton.

Mr. Weltlich led the Trustees in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence honoring those who protect us here at home and abroad.

Mr. Dunlap moved to approve, without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the Regular Trustee meeting of June 17, 2015. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap moved to approve, without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the Public Hearing of June 17, 2015 for Case No. 02-ZC-2015 to Modify the Approved Development Plan and Approved Development Text for the Eastern Lakes Planned District to allow 187 single family homes and 52 ± acres of open space. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, abstained. Motion carries 2-0 with 1 abstention.

Public Comment:

None

County Authorities:

None

Departmental Reports:

Fire Chief: Mike Little

Chief Little reported the Opticom system has been updated to accommodate the leap second; Doc and Battalion Chief Kenn Taylor worked to complete this last week.

Chief Little reported there is now a radio in the Battalion vehicle for communication with the Road Crew.

Chief Little was notified the insurance services organization that they are doing ISO surveys and we will be going through this survey in August. Assistant Chief Paxton and John Hill will be working on getting this information together for August 12th.

Tom Brubaker, one of our former department members, passed away. We provided pall bearers for the funeral at the family's request.

Chief Little had five (5) resolutions for consideration.

The first resolution was to approve the first amendment to Station 593 lease. It is time to renew our lease for Station 593. This station has proven to be an asset to the area and remains very busy. It has allowed for marked decreases in response times, and improved services for the residents of the community. We would like to renew the lease for an additional ten (10) years by exercising the first option on the lease for five years, and accepting the amendment for an additional five years. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0701-01 – Approve First Amendment to Station 593 Lease. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

The second resolution was to purchase up to thirty (30) sets of Janesville V-Force structural firefighting turnout gear to be appropriated from the Supplies – Personal Protective Equipment 2111-220-420-3429. The cost of this purchase would be \$1950.00 per set, at a total cost of \$58,500.00. This takes advantage of the State Term Contract through the Department of Administrative Services Ohio Cooperative Purchasing contract STS842, schedule # 800216, and is a savings of \$203.45 per set over last year. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0701-02 – Structural Firefighting Turnout Gear Purchase. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

The third resolution was to purchase a new Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD pick-up truck as the Station 592 truck. This truck will be purchased through Jack Maxton. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0701-03 – Purchase 2015 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Discussion:** Mr. Weltlich asked if this was on the state bid. Chief Little said it was not on the state bid but is comparable to the trucks that are on the state price list and amenities wise. Mr. Dunlap asked if the packet included a plow. Chief Little said it did not and they would have to purchase one. Mr. Dunlap also asked if other dealers were contacted besides Jack Maxton. Chief Little said they looked at the state bid and there were other dealers on the state bid. **Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

The fourth resolution was to repave the parking lot at Station 592 due to age and condition. The entire lot will be milled, hauled, paved and striped. This will also fix the drainage issues they are having with the parking lot. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0701-04 – Repave Parking Lot at Station 592. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Discussion:** Mr. Dunlap asked what Mr. Butcher's comments were on the drainage issues. Chief Little said Mr. Butcher said to do it because with their schedule they don't know how quickly they could do it. Mr. Butcher and Doc were both content with Spires Paving doing the job. We will probably have to stay off the lot for about a week once it is done and we will check with the church next door to see if we can use their parking lot. **Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

The last resolution was to reclassify part time level 1 firefighters James Blair and Christopher Redd to the position of part time level 2. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0701-05 – Reclassify Part-Time Level 1 Firefighters to Part-Time Level 2. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion passes 3-0.**

Township Engineer: Greg Butcher

Mr. Eisel was filling in for Mr. Butcher who was on vacation.

Mr. Eisel reported the rains and overall wet pattern have affected the ability to complete road and road right-of-way maintenance-related activities. Overall, township infrastructure has performed well. Staff has also been very engaged during this unusually wet period.

Mingo Estates Infrastructure project has started with the primary emphasis being on the sanitary sewer component of the project. A project page has been set up via Facebook. Weekly updates are being placed on the page to allow residents to track activity as it relates to work around their properties. Resident response has been mainly positive.

The preconstruction meeting with Newcomer Concrete Construction and ODOT for the Harmon Middle School Safe Routes to School project was held last week. Work tentatively scheduled to begin in August with a completion date in October.

Communication with The Shelly Company has occurred regarding contract and schedule for Paving Program.

In Mr. Butcher's absence, Will Yapple will be driving the truck in the Fourth of July parade.

Regarding Cargill/Morton and State of Ohio salt lawsuit settlement, the required township response to the State Attorney General's Office has been completed. Thanks to Melissa Tremblay for pulling the information together.

Mr. Weltlich asked if we had an idea of an approximate date for Shelly to start. Mr. Dunlap said they were behind a few weeks because of the rain and it depends on how much full days of sun we can get.

Director of Operations: John Eisel

Mr. Eisel reported he has reached out to Rumpke, the single trash hauler for the City of Pickerington and still have received no response from them. Mr. Eisel has reached out to Mayor Gray to see if he can provide a response and he assured Mr. Eisel he would.

Mr. Eisel reported the Violet Festival will be held July 29th through August 1st. Staff has been engaged along with County Engineer, Fire Department, zoning, County Sheriff and Mr. Butcher have been very engaged in coming down to the final planning. The following actions will take place:

- no parking in Huntington Hills, Tollgate Rd., Tollgate Ct., and Mamie Dr. during the Violet Festival. Fairfield County Sheriff's Office is having 500 signs printed.
- Toll Gate Rd. will be closed from Refugee Rd. north to Mamie Dr.
- Refugee Rd. will be closed from Pickerington Rd. to Saylor Rd. per the Fairfield County Engineer Office.
- Residents within these closures will be issued "mirror hangers" and permitted to travel the closed routes (FCSO).
- FCSO will be providing all LE / Security for the event. Fairfield County EMA will have their command vehicle present Friday & Saturday.
- Event location plans are being finalized.
- Very productive meeting with the festival, FCEO, FCSO, Zoning, Road and Admin have been happening weekly.

"Youth Accountability Program" waiver has been reviewed by our risk management with minor suggestions and has been sent back to the County.

Mr. Eisel reported he and Mr. Myers met with the Kiwanis Club in regards to the Busey Park project to address the questions and make sure that we all have the same, mutual understanding of the project, scope and requirement. There was a resolution for consideration to allow the project.

Mosquito spraying was conducted on Sunday, June 28 to areas south of Stemen Rd. Remaining sessions have been delayed due to weather, and rescheduled for next week.

2016 Budgets have been finalized. We have placed the ad for a public notice for a Public Hearing on July 15 at 7:45 p.m.

Delta Dental Insurance renewal will take us from August 1, 2015 to January 1, 2017 and align our benefit with the calendar year.

Mayor Ebert has inquired whether Violet Township would be willing to again sponsor the Canal Winchester Labor Day 2015 event for \$1000 as we have in the past.

Mr. Eisel included information in regards to Lancaster Public Transportation request for 2016 support. Any amount contributed will be matched by the Federal Transit Administration. If we decide to support, we will need to communicate this by August 15, 2015. No funds will be requested until after January 1, 2016.

Mr. Eisel reminded the Trustees the lineup for the July 4 Pickerington Parade is from 4:30 to 5:30 on Opportunity Way.

Mr. Weltlich asked when the closing starts for the day for the Violet Festival Event. Mr. Eisel reported the closing on Refugee Rd. will be an hour prior to the event to an hour after the event. A decision has not been made if Tollgate Rd. will be done in the same fashion or not. The difference with Tollgate Rd. will be Saturday morning the 5K course

will be conducted on Tollgate Road. It will begin at Trinity United Methodist Church, lap around the school and end at Trinity. Tollgate will have to be closed Saturday morning during the run. We are considering the same hours of closure of Tollgate Road as the County is with Refugee Road. Mr. Dunlap asked if Refugee Road would be open during the day. Mr. Eisel said it would and the Sheriff's office will take the signs down. Mr. Myers asked who was doing the mirror hangars. Mr. Eisel said the Sheriff's department was. Most likely Community Watch will distribute those door to door for the affected residents.

Mr. Eisel also reported he spoke with Lieutenant Lape regarding the consideration of a Special Duty Deputy dedicated to Huntington Hills and Tollgate Road primarily on Friday and Saturday nights to help with any enforcement issues. There is a cost of \$35 an hour. Mr. Eisel is looking at us taking care of this. The Sheriff's Department is going over and above staffing the grounds and in his opinion he feels we should take care of this. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to hire a Special Duty Deputy Officer for (6) hours at \$35.00 an hour on Friday and Saturday nights for the Violet Festival (July 31 and August 1st) at our expense to cover Huntington Hills and Tollgate Road. Mr. Weltlich seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion 2015-0701-A carries 3-0.**

Mr. Weltlich asked if the Violet Festival was having a parade. Mr. Eisel said they are having a parade Friday evening at 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Weltlich asked if Mr. Eisel received the notification that the Food Pantry would 'man' the gates. Mr. Eisel said he did and it has been spear headed.

Mr. Myers made a motion to donate \$1,000.00 to the Canal Winchester Labor Day Festival for 2015. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion 2015-0701-B carries 3-0.

Mr. Eisel had several resolutions for consideration.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0701-07 – A Resolution Declaring the Property Owned by Najam Enterprises, LLC, known as Winding Creek Section 5 Part 1, Lots 192 and 193 in Violet Township Fairfield County, Ohio a Nuisance. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Discussion: Mr. Weltlich commented he thought this was the same one from last year. Mr. Dunlap said it was. **Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

Mr. Eisel reported the next resolution was to authorize the Director of Operations to sign the renewal contract with Delta Dental for the standard PPO policy as proposed for the periods August 1, 2015 to January 1, 2016 and January 1, 2016 to January 1, 2017. Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0701-08 – Delta Dental Insurance Renewal. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich. Motion carries 3-0.

This resolution was to authorize the Pickerington area Kiwanis Club to create a special needs playground in Busey Park. Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0701-09 – Authorize the Pickerington Area Kiwanis Club to Create Special Needs Playground in Busey Park. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Discussion: Mr. Eisel commented when he and Mr. Myers met with them they emphasized this would be a mutual project and we will work with them to determine size and location. Questions were answered. In the future there could be water and restrooms with handicap restrooms available on the property but we needed to make sure the public understands at this time those amenities do not exist. Mr. Myers was adamant about us working together with location and size and making sure the work scopes are communicated by both the Township and the Kiwanis Club. Mr. Myers added he did emphasize that at this time the Township will not have any funds to blacktop any areas. He also made it very clear that when they drew up what they wanted that Mr. Eisel, Mr. Butcher and the (3) Trustees and their representative will all be involved with this project. They had asked about a Kiwanis sign. We said no and they asked about a small sign on the fencing around the playground equipment. We told them we would consider this.

Mr. Weltlich asked about putting information on our social media to post that there are no facilities. Mr. Eisel said once construction starts we will use the website, social media and even the County developmental disabilities to help get information out. **Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0701-10 - A Resolution Declaring the Property Owned by Shantanu Sina and Vijaya Venkataraman, known as Woodstream Section 5 Lots 198, 203 in Violet Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, a Nuisance. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Discussion: Mr. Myers and Mr. Weltlich commented this done last year as well. **Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carried 3-0.** Mr. Eisel noted that he made a pencil note that the title of the resolution should be 198, 202 and 203. The body of the resolution is correct.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0701-11 – A Resolution Declaring the Property Owned by Mary Shannon Wilson, known as Woodstream Section 5 Lot 200 in Violet Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, a Nuisance. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0701-12 – A Resolution Declaring the Property Owned by Roger and Sharon Smith, known as 7720 Pickerington Road in Violet Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, a Nuisance. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Fiscal Officer:

Mr. Eisel had the bills for the Fiscal Office as Mr. Sauer was on vacation.

Trustee Reports:

Mr. Myers reported he attended a Board of Health meeting last Monday evening. They will be inspecting all aeration systems per State of Ohio Board of Health and they are starting at Violet and Liberty Township. There are 18,000 sewage systems in Fairfield County. They are going to try to inspect every 10 years which would be 1,800 a year.

Mr. Dunlap reported he and Mr. Myers attended a County Trustees and Clerks meeting last Saturday and it was a good meeting.

On July 15th we have (2) two public hearings scheduled. Since we have the Budget Hearing starting at 7:45 p.m. and a Public Hearing at 8:00 p.m; Mr. Dunlap recommended moving our regular meeting time up to 7:00 p.m. so we can conduct most of our business prior to those (2) hearings. Mr. Weltlich agreed. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion that we notify the press and on July 15th, 2015 our regular meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. instead of 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion 2015-0701-C carries 3-0.**

Mr. Weltlich reported that Mr. Eisel was kind enough to put a technology together for the Senior Center for the office only to be met with great discontent. Mr. Eisel reached out to have support from Office Solutions come to help them and the staff was too busy.

Mr. Weltlich reported Sara Rose had completed her review of the Senior Center documents and they are all satisfactory.

The Food Pantry Food Frenzy made a net of \$5,000.00 from the event.

Mr. Dunlap added that with the passing of Mr. Brubaker he will need to check with the attorney to see about how this position will be filled. Mr. Dunlap will keep the Trustees informed.

Trustees out of Office Meetings Where More than one (1) Trustee present
Pickerington/Violet Township July 4th Celebration.

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

New Business

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative offices.

Pay Bills

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

Richard Hoffman of 10122 Wilmington Drive asked to speak since he came in late for the meeting. Mr. Hoffman said he attended a Trustee meeting about 8 years ago and had not been able to get back so he is back and thanked the Trustees.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to take a 5 minute recess at 8:20 p.m. and go into Executive Session per the ORC Section 121.22(G) (2) – to consider the purchase of property for public purpose. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich added that they will go into Executive Session after a break and will come out of Executive Session and conduct no further business and adjourn.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to come out of Executive Session and adjourn at 9:45 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted:

Brian Sauer, Fiscal Officer

Joniann Goldberg, Administrative Assistant

Approved by:

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Trustee

Gary P. Weltlich, Trustee

Date: _____