

## Violet Township Board of Trustees

August 5, 2015

Regular Meeting

Mr. Weltlich called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**Mr. Sauer called the roll: Gary Weltlich, Terry Dunlap, Sr. and Harry Myers, Jr. were present. Others present were: Fire Chief, Mike Little; Assistant Fire Chief, James Paxton; Township Engineer, Greg Butcher; Zoning Inspector, Kelly Sarko and Legal Council, Pete Griggs.**

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 July 15, 2015. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Mr. Myers moved to approve, without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the Public Hearing Budget of July 15, 2015. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, 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 Case Number 02-ZC-2015 of July 15, 2015. 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:**

James R. Blair of 9368 Circle Drive East, Pickerington, Ohio was present. Mr. Blair's topic was "why or whatever" and on October 14, 2014 the driveway aprons were torn up and it was a problem getting in and out of his driveway as the car was dragging the road surface. Mr. Blair understands this is not going to get done until October, 2015 which will make it a year and feels this is a bit of harassment for the people on his street. He is also upset that 5 or 6 different trash collectors come through his street 5 or 6 days a week. Another problem is people use Circle Drive East, South, West to bypass the traffic light at Circle Drive and Refugee Road and they cut through their place. Mr. Blair said he has contacted the Sheriff's Department and the Highway Patrol who both said they would do something. Mr. Butcher responded that if Mr. Blair knows they are paving in October than Mr. Blair knows more than Mr. Butcher does. Mr. Butcher explained we have a contract with the Shelly Company and the completion date says October 6, 2015 with liquidated damages if they don't complete by that date. Mr. Blair had concerns about the fact that at least 5 school buses would go by his house in an hour's time.

On the single trash hauler we have approached Rumpke who has a contract with the City of Pickerington. Within that contract there is a provision for Violet Township north of SR256. We have asked them to look at Violet Township south of SR256. For some reason when it was written it did not cover the entire Township. We are asking Rumpke if they will honor the entire Township. Mr. Butcher said we tried to have this discussion several years ago about single trash hauler but it backfired as the residents did not want it.

As for the school buses, Mr. Butcher said we can talk to the District about this. Mr. Blair said they go down the road faster than 25mph. Mr. Butcher asked which was of greater concern regarding the speed; either Shalimar or Circle Drive. Mr. Blair said the greatest concern was Circle Drive. We will ask the Sheriff's Department to look at this and Mr. Butcher will also put up some hoses to take traffic and speed counts.

Mr. Myers added that at the drive through to get to Grandview Avenue and go down Diley Road it is quicker to go up to the light and make a left turn.

Cathy Jerbik of 12599 Toll Gate Road, Pickerington, Ohio was present. Ms. Jerbik thanked Mr. Butcher and the Township for doing an excellent job with the Violet Festival.

**County Authorities:**

None

**Departmental Reports:**

**Fire Chief: Mike Little**

Chief Little reported they had given a presentation at the City Safety Committee regarding new Station 591. They made a motion for support on behalf of the Safety Committee to City Council. At some point he will be presenting this to City Council.

Chief Little was invited to be a guest on "Joy in Our Town" on WSDJ-TV (Channel 51). Discussed CO Poisoning and Firefighter Cancer. The show airs August 14 at 1:00 pm and August 17 at 11:30 am.

Chief Little met with KZF Design last week to discuss moving forward with schematic plans for Station 591.

Spires paving completed work on the parking lot at Station 592; very well done. Kudos to Doc Metzger for pointing us towards Spires.

Chief Little and Assistant Chief Paxton attended the Safety Services Dinner at the Wigwam on July 30.

ISO recertification will be on August 12. They are trying to get Fairfield County on the same rotation.

Chief Little had (7) seven resolutions for consideration.

The first resolution was to purchase a snow plow and accessories for the new station truck at a cost not to exceed \$4,700.00. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0805-01 – Purchase Snowplow and Accessories for 2015 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries. 3-0.**

The Fire Department has received the resignation of Raymond Cunningham effective July 5, 2015. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0805-02 – Resignation of Part-Time Firefighter. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.** Mr. Weltlich asked Chief Little to express our thanks for his service and regrets for his departure.

For the third resolution we are adding seven (7) new part time level 1 firefighters. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0805-03 – To Appoint New Part-Time Firefighters. Level 1. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**The fourth resolution is to hire two (2) new volunteer firefighters. Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0805-04 – To Appoint New Volunteer Firefighters. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

The fifth resolution was to authorize Spence Environmental Consulting, Inc. to do environmental and asbestos surveys on properties that we need for the new station 591. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0805-05 – Authorize Environmental and Asbestos Surveys of Proposed Fire Station 591 Building Sites. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

The sixth resolution was to approve KZF Design to do the architectural consulting service for the generator at Station 593. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0805-06 – Approve Architectural Consulting Services for Generator at Station 593. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

The last resolution for the roof repairs needed at Station 592. This is being done to take care of a number of leaks we have over bathrooms and both areas at the rear of the building. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0805-07 – Roof Repairs at Station 592. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Discussion:** Mr. Weltlich asked if this was in the budget. **Chief said it was not but they had the money for it. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Township Engineer: Greg Butcher**

As Mr. Butcher explained earlier they are still waiting on the Shelly Company for their anticipated timeframe for the paving. The good news is that the City of Pickerington also has a contract with the Shelly Company and they are also doing what they can to push them to get them to get the work done.

Senior Center parking lot plans are complete with all required signatures. Advertisement for bids will be placed early next week. We are required to advertise twice.

The Mingo Estates Issue One project has continued with sanitary sewer activities, including a combination of installing sewer and manholes as well as in-place sewer lining. Gravel has been removed from the street. Sedimentation and erosion control activities are being monitored by Fairfield County Soil and Water.

Within a week, Mr. Butcher hopes to begin painting 'stop bars' and '25 MPH' symbols within various subdivisions.

The first order for salt on the summer fill contract was placed today. 150 tons were delivered and stockpiled. The cost this year is \$76.70 per ton. We are required to purchase 450 tons on this contract.

Mr. Myers asked if Mr. Butcher was putting the dumpster behind the building for the Senior Center Parking Lot. Mr. Butcher said in an effort to secure another parking space they have moved it from the northwest corner of the building to the northwest corner of the lot. Mr. Myers was concerned about the weight of the truck on the new blacktop and the stress it could make on the blacktop. Mr. Butcher said they would take a look at this and review it. This time they have a concrete pad.

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to recess the Violet Township Regular board meeting and reopen and continue the public hearing for case number 02-ZC-2015. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**The meeting reconvened at 8:42 p.m.**

Mr. Dunlap asked Chief Little what affect the ISO rating has on our insurance. Chief said his understanding was the lower the ISO rate is the lower your insurance can be. Mr. Dunlap asked if there was anything we could do. Chief Little said the ISO is significant from the standpoint of water flow and where we stand in comparisons to other cities of other size. Chief Paxton said it was a good tool for us to see our progression and help in any deficiencies we may have as well.

**Director of Operations: John Eisel/Greg Butcher (filling in)**

Mr. Butcher reported he has reached out to a resident in Violet Township who assisted the City of Pickerington with the Rumpke contract they currently have. Mr. Butcher explained to him the difficulties we were having in getting a simple yes or no. This person pledged to get with Andy Rumpke who runs the Columbus division and get back with an answer. Mr. Butcher spoke to him today and hopes to hear something soon.

Mr. Butcher addressed the Violet Festival and said for the most part he felt the residents were very pleased. The Sheriff's office did a phenomenal job. Mr. Butcher gave a 'shout out' to Lieutenant Lape who did a phenomenal job in coordinating everything for this festival. A festival wrap up meeting will be held Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. From a public safety effort he felt we 'scored very well. Mr. Myers asked Mr. Butcher to prepare a summary of the costs.

Mr. Butcher reported he and Mr. Eisel met with a representative from Fairfield County Juvenile Court regarding 'Youths Accountability' program which is a 'at risk youth program' who have misdemeanors. Mr. Butcher has emailed the court and said we are ready to initiate this program. Mr. Butcher will verify that they can work for us if they are under 18.

We sprayed for mosquitoes July, 24, 25 and 26. Calls have reduced but we are keeping this on the front burner and will proceed as necessary.

Mr. Butcher spoke with Coach Spring at Pickerington North to let him know that the Trustees would like to honor the track team for their divisional one state championship. We will have a proclamation to present at the August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Mr. Weltlich made a motion to make a formal commitment to Lancaster Public Transit (LPTS) for \$12,500 after January 1, 2016. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion 2015-0805-B carries 3-0.**

Mr. Butcher reported the Pickerington Bicentennial Founders Day Banquet is Thursday, September 3, 2015 at the Senior Center from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Butcher reported we have received South Central Ballots for their Board of Trustees. We have a ballot for the administrative office and one for the Senior Center. Mr. Butcher asked the Trustees if they wanted to cast a vote for any of the candidates. No action was taken.

Mr. Dunlap brought up a thought about why we couldn't have a certificate of achievement for each kid that is on the team.

Mr. Myers asked if Mr. Butcher had lost his summer help yet. Mr. Butcher said he had not entirely but we would need to talk about putting someone else on soon.

**Fiscal Officer:**

Mr. Sauer announced he, Chief Little and Ms. Tremblay all attended the Budget Hearing this week. Our local government funding went up a bit as we got \$8,804.00 more this year. The amounts we were approved for were essentially what we were expecting. Mr. Sauer will have this ready for resolution to accept at the first September Trustee meeting.

Mr. Sauer will be out of town for the next Trustee meeting as he will be away on business.

Mr. Sauer met with Rockmill this week and they discussed bonding for the fire station and what types of tasks we can work on now and they talked about getting this kicked off mid September.

Mr. Sauer had a meeting with Brian Carter at Fifth Third bank. Items are moving into a positive direction. Earnings are just over \$25,000 at this point. Brian went ahead and reinvested a portion of that money so we can get additional revenue.

Mr. Sauer had a resolution to do an advance for the County and City of Pickerington for the Mingo Estates project so that when we are reimbursed from them we can put those funds back into the General Fund. This will take what we appropriated at the last meeting and moves it over the Mingo Estates Fund. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to**

**adopt Resolution 2015-0805-08 – Advance of Fund. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

Mr. Myers asked when the Trustees actually saw the Budget. Mr. Sauer said it was the middle of July as it was put in mail boxes. The department heads got it the day before or the day of the meeting. Mr. Myers said we needed to improve on that.

Mr. Myers said projected revenues seemed slow. Mr. Sauer stated he had not received a response back in time from the County Auditor's office. Mr. Sauer had also been on vacation for 2 weeks during this timeframe.

Mr. Sauer said he would improve on this for next year.

Mr. Weltlich asked if we had paid the Senior Center's portion of the Lancaster Public Transit. Mr. Sauer did not see it in the payment list and he did forward it on to be paid. Mr. Sauer will follow-up with Ms. Tremblay to see why it did not make it in the payment register. Mr. Butcher added there has been some inconsistencies on how we have paid that in previous years and the timing that we paid it. Mr. Butcher said Ms. Tremblay is going back and reviewing the history to make sure we are where we need to be with respect to this.

**Trustee Reports:**

None

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

None

**Old Business**

None

**Tabled Business**

None

**New Business**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be Wednesday, August 19, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative offices.

**Pay Bills**

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

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adjourn at 9:27 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

Respectfully Submitted:

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Brian Sauer, Fiscal Officer

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Joniann Goldberg, Administrative Assistant

Approved by:

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Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

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Harry W. Myers, Jr., Trustee

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Gary P. Weltlich, Trustee

Date: \_\_\_\_\_