

## Violet Township Board of Trustees

January 20, 2016

Regular Meeting

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

**Brian Sauer called the roll: Trustees Terry J. Dunlap, Sr.; Harry W. Myers, Jr. and Darrin Monhollen were present. Others present were: Fire Chief, Mike Little; Assistant Chief James Paxton and Township Engineer, Greg Butcher. Director of Operations, John Eisel was out of town.**

Mr. Dunlap asked students from Cub Scout Pack #256 Wolf Den – Brady Beinlich, Rowan Davidson, Drew Gibson, Gabriel Hamman, Casey Lee, Ryan Shook and Andrew Worth to lead 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 then presented the cub scouts with Certificates of Appreciation.

**Mr. Myers moved to approve, without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the Regular Trustee meeting of January 6, 2016. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

Mr. Dunlap asked to amend the agenda and go directly to the Fire Chief for the purpose of presenting Resolution 2016-0120-01 – Fire Safety Inspector Don Searls Retirement.

### **Departmental Reports:**

#### **Fire Chief: Mike Little**

Chief Little reported Fire Inspector Don Searls has asked to retire. He has served with the Violet Township Fire Department since January 1991. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-0120-01 – Fire Safety Inspector Don Searls Retirement. Seconded by Mr. Myers. The Trustees extended to him a multitude of sincere and genuine thanks for his years of dedication to the department and the citizens of this community. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

Chief Little presented a proclamation for Mr. Searls. He then reminded everyone of a reception on Friday, from 10-3p at Station 592 in his honor.

Mr. Dunlap then returned to the regular agenda.

### **Guests:**

None

### **Public Comment:**

Mr. J.R. Blair, 9368 Circle Drive east, Pickerington, Ohio addressed the Trustees. Mr. Blair has a concern related to several old tires being stored on a neighbor's property. He said he has been in contact with the township's zoning office and hopes something can be done. Mr. Blair then stated he was in support of the township's upcoming road levy and had received an invitation to the January 25 information meeting. Mr. Blair was complimentary of the road department staff and Mr. Butcher.

### **County Authorities:**

None

**Fire Chief: Mike Little (cont'd)**

Chief Little presented his monthly report and shared highlighted areas.

Chief Little reported there is a meeting on February 5<sup>th</sup> with KZF to go over construction drawings.

Chief Little presented a resolution to purchase a transfer switch as part of the generator installation at Station 593 at a cost not to exceed \$3,000. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-0120-03 – Purchase Transfer Switch for Generator Installation at Station 593. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

Chief Little reported we have received a proposal for electrical work to install the generator at Station 593 at a cost not to exceed \$15,000. **Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-0120-04 – Approve Electrical Work for Generator Installation at Station 593. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Greg Butcher, PE: Township Engineer**

Mr. Butcher reported the Road levy fact sheet has been developed. Each of the elected officials should have a copy. An information session regarding the levy will be held next Monday, January 25 at 6:30 pm at the Pickerington Public Library. Letters of invitations have been mailed to residents who previously indicated a desire to be notified once a levy was moved forward.

Mr. Butcher reported there was a road levy article in the January 18 Columbus Dispatch. He stated he thought Mary Beth Lane of the Dispatch did an excellent job reporting the story.

Mr. Butcher will be meeting with representatives with ADR and Associates regarding Stonecreek Drive Issue One project. His intent is to review any project design plan changes that need to be addressed prior to bidding in late February. Mr. Butcher also updated that the plan revisions are in process. Affected jurisdictions, utility companies and property owners are being notified.

Mr. Butcher reported the 2015 Issue One application for miscellaneous pavement and curb repairs was approved by the District 17 committee last Friday. Briefly, he explained the application identified a \$247,045 project to rebuild identified sections of curb within the Mingo Estates and Countrywood subdivisions. The project ranked 12<sup>th</sup> out of 81 projects which is a very good score.. No work can begin until July 1.

Mr. Myers asked what the Township's local share is on the project. Mr. Butcher responded that our local share is 26% of the project cost or \$64, 231.70. \$20,000 of our local share will be provided in the form of in-kind services for engineering, construction administration and inspection.

Mr. Butcher reported the 2015 Pavement Maintenance Plan is beginning to be developed.

Mr. Butcher reported there will be a meeting on January 21 at the administrative office with personnel from the Regional Planning Commission and County agencies to discuss the extension of the Spring Creek subdivision. This section is located within the unincorporated portion of the township.

Mr. Butcher reported the Chamber luncheon is Thursday, January 28. Annual Chamber Dinner and Awards Celebration meeting is February 4. RSVP to John.

The new truck decals have been installed.

Pickup truck from the Fire Department was used in the last snow event.

150 tons of salt have been ordered.

Mr. Butcher shared three quotations for a new 2016 Chevy Silverado 1500 with the Trustees and asked them to review them. This truck would be a replacement for Mr. Butcher's 2003 Ford F-150.

**Director of Operations: John Eisel**

Mr. Eisel was out of town. On behalf of Mr. Eisel, Mr. Butcher stated that he and Mr. Eisel will be meeting with personnel from the County Prosecutor's Office next Thursday, January 28. Mr. Butcher indicated that this meeting relates to a dispute between neighbors that has been ongoing for several years. Mr. Dunlap indicated it was his understanding personnel from the Sheriff's Office would also be at the meeting as they have had some involvement in the matter as well. Mr. Butcher stated that this was correct.

Mr. Butcher presented a resolution declaring February 1<sup>st</sup> as "Township Day." **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-0120-2 – To Proclaim February 1, 2016 'OHIO TOWNSHIP DAY.'** **Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Fiscal Officer: Brian Sauer**

Mr. Sauer reported the Open Checkbook is live and can be reviewed by the public.

Mr. Sauer had two resolutions to present. The first was to create a Fire Bond Retirement fund (3102). **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-0120-05 – Establishment of Fund. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

The second resolution was for advance of property taxes from the Fairfield County Auditor. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-0120-06 – Advance of Property Taxes from Fairfield County Auditor. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Trustee Reports:**

There were no Trustee reports.

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

The Ohio Township Annual Conference is January 27<sup>th</sup> through January 30<sup>th</sup>.

We have been working with Della Rucker. Tentatively the Joint Economic Workshop is scheduled for January 28<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm at the Pickerington Senior Center.

Pickerington Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Dinner and Awards Celebration is February 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00PM. The deadline is the last week in January.

Don Searls Luncheon on Friday, January 22 from 1-3pm.

**Old Business**

None

**Tabled Business**

None

**New Business**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be Wednesday, February 3, 2016 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. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Mr. Myers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.**

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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Darrin Monhollen, Trustee

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

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Harry W. Myers, Jr., Trustee