

Violet Township Board of Trustees

May 3, 2017

Regular Meeting

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

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

Mr. Myers asked students from Fairfield Elementary - Morgan Scott and Nigora Hakimova 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. Myers presented the students with certificates.

Mr. Monhollen moved to accept, without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the Regular Trustee meeting of April 19, 2017. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion passes 3-0.

Public Comment:

None

County Authorities:

None

Departmental Reports:

Fire Chief: Chief Mike Little:

Chief Little reported the office furniture for Lt. Postage will be installed on May 8.

Chief Little will be attending the Opiate Community Forum on May 15 at Peace UMC.

Combined training with Truro Twp. and West Licking on May 16, 17 and 18 at the OFA.

Fire Department was honored at the annual PEA/PEF dinner last week as a "Friend of Education"; nominated by Harmon Road Middle School for work with the Toy Drive and participating in the dodge ball tournament.

Chief Little updated everyone on Station 591 and reported work continues. The steel work is moving along. The decking is on over the bays. The whole building is under room except for the area where the kitchen and day room is. Starting to see a lot more brick work and stone work (especially the stone work) as it looks really good.

The first resolution Chief Little had for consideration was to purchase three thermal imaging cameras and accessories from Finley Fire Equipment at a total cost of \$17,534.00. This was part of our budget meeting this year. **Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0503-03 – Purchase Thermal Imaging Cameras. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion:** Mr. Myers asked if we traded the old ones. Chief Little said we traded (2) that were such old technology and got \$1,000 off the price. **Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes, Resolution carries 3-0.**

The second resolution was for Joe Pineda who has requested a reclassification to the position of Part Time Level 2 Firefighter, and a leave of absent to complete his initial Columbus Fire training and several months subsequent shift employment. His father is also a firefighter with Columbus Fire. **Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0503-04 – Firefighter Reclassifications and Leave of Absence. Seconded by Mr. Myers, with regrets. Discussion:** Mr. Dunlap asked if his goal was to work with his father at Columbus Fire. Chief Little said he has the opportunity and he

can understand that he wants to work with his dad. Roll call vote: **Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

Township Engineer: Greg Butcher

Mr. Butcher reported the Shelly Company is working on the 2017 paving schedule. Preliminarily, paving will likely begin at the end of May or beginning of June. Staff will be replacing some road culverts and catch basins within the Eastchester subdivision next week. All residents have been notified.

Strawser Paving Company will begin the concrete maintenance project on May 12. Work will start in Mingo Estates on Melody Lane. Residents will be notified.

Mowing of road right of ways will begin in a week or so.

For the past 2 years, we have participated in the MORPC college intern program. The program has been valuable to Violet Township. As discussed in our earlier planning session, we decided to participate this year as well. MORPC has performed screening of candidates and presented Burak Gul to Violet Township. Mr. Butcher has interviewed him and is very impressed. There is a resolution to hire for consideration.

We have approached MORPC regarding technical guidance relating to the Insight 2050 study MORPC completed in 2016. MORPC is rolling out a competitive program where member communities can apply for 'free' technical assistance for specific project planning, etc. John Eisel, Holly Mattei and Mr. Butcher have met with MORPC staff to discuss this initiative for the purpose of potentially submitting a project for consideration. We are looking at parcels within the Refugee Road corridor. More details to follow as we obtain more information.

Our annual CEDA review meeting will be this Friday, May 5 with Canal Winchester. John Eisel, Holly Mattei and Mr. Butcher will attend. One of the purposes of this meeting will be to review near term road maintenance objectives within the CEDA area.

Mr. Dunlap wanted to make sure that Mr. Butcher's resolution for the intern was all squared away. Mr. Eisel put in the correct name and rate of pay and initialed it.

Director of Operations: John Eisel

Mr. Eisel reported the annual DFWP training is underway, and each employee should have received an email with instructions and the time frame to complete the trainings.

The drug collection & electronics recycling event was held Saturday, April 29 from 10am to 2pm at the Violet Township Service Center. Mr. Eisel got the information from Chad after the fact that there were 209 vehicles and 75 pounds of pills that were collected in that venture.

Tyler's Light 5K will be held at the Toll Gate school complex this Saturday May 6 beginning at 10:00 am.

We had 2 water leaks at the FCSO Substation and replaced the hot water tank and upstairs toilet. Fairfield County Utilities tipped us off on this.

At the PACC luncheon on May 18 Mr. Eisel has been asked to participate in a round table event to discuss *What is a township and why is it important to residents and business owners?* Also to discuss current development.

The next board meeting for the Fairfield 33 Alliance is scheduled for May 11 from 3:30 to 5:00pm at Brewdog in Canal Winchester.

The next board meeting for CLOUT is May 15 at 10:30 at the OTA offices.

Staff would like to schedule a work session with the Board to present / review various topics that need to be discussed in the interim from our planning sessions.

It is the OAG's opinion that, if a township officer or employee elects to receive individual coverage under a township's health care plan, *the township is not permitted to reimburse the township officer or employee, or his or her dependents for the out-of-pocket premium costs of health care coverage secured from a source other than the township for his or her immediate dependents.*

Earlier in the year we participated in the 'start with hello' program. Mr. Eisel received an email from the Principal at Central today that they have received some exciting news to share – that Pickerington High School Central won a national award from the Sandy Hook Promise for their 'start with hello' campaign. The folks from Sandy Hook Promise will be in Pickerington May 16th at 2pm to celebrate and they would like all of us to join them since we were an integral part of this campaign. They will be sending further information out in the near future.

Mr. Dunlap wanted to talk about and get a date for now who would be involved in the work session. They came up with June 12th at 9am. The three Trustees, Mr. Butcher, Mrs. Mattei and the Fiscal Officer and legal counsel..

Brian Sauer: Fiscal Officer

Mr. Sauer said he had no report but did have (2) resolutions that deal with Road and Bridge. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0503-01 – Amendment to 2017 Appropriations for the curb and pavement fund. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes, Resolution carries 3-0.**

Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0503-02 – Transfer of Funds from Road and Bridge to Curb and Pavement Fund. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.

Trustee Reports:

Mr. Monhollen reported he attended the Pickerington City Council meeting. They presented Economic Development Director, Liberty Schindell with a proclamation recognizing Economic Development week in Pickerington. On Channel 6 news it showed Violet Township Women's League presented a check to pay for protective vests for our canine officer's dog, *Foe*.

Meetings (where there may be more than one Trustee present): Mr. Dunlap may attend an event on May 16th.

Old Business: None

Tabled Business: None

New Business: The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative offices.

Pay Bills:

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

Mr. Dunlap asked the Fire Chief about as they are putting in the conduit for the new fire station and were they running phone and cable, ect. at the same time. Chief said yes. Mr. Dunlap said at one time he had brought up a question about phone service and our computer information with the Chamber and he wondered if that would be isolated or not integrated into any of our systems whatsoever. Chief said it would run off the cad system. Mr. Dunlap asked if there was a chance that the Chamber computer can get into ours or ours into theirs. Chief Little said no because they do not run off our server and it is not their data system at all. All the wiring is just to let them have access to the internet. Their phone system will be part of our phone system. What will happen is the

Chamber will have the same phones we have and will run off the same system but they will have their own separate number. The Chamber will have the same number they do now.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion at 9:30 p.m. to take a 10 minute recess and then go into Executive Session per ORC 121.22(G)(2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes to include the 3 Trustees, Director of Operations, Mr. Butcher, Kevin Strait and the Roots (civilians). Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to come out of Executive Session and adjourn the meeting at 9:40 pm. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Brian C. Sauer, Fiscal Officer

Joniann Goldberg, Administrative
Assistant

Approved by:

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

Darrin Monhollen, Trustee

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Trustee

Date: _____