

## Violet Township Board of Trustees

March 21, 2018

Regular Meeting

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

**Mr. Sauer called the roll: Mr. Darrin Monhollen, Mr. Terry Dunlap and Mrs. Melissa Wilde and were present. Other Township Personnel present were: John Eisel, Director of Operations; Greg Butcher, Township Engineer; Fire Chief, Mike Little; Assistant Fire Chief Jim Paxton; Development Director, Holly Mattei and Zoning Officer, Kelly Sarko.**

Mr. Monhollen asked students Samantha Baker and Lydia Vawter from Toll Gate Elementary lead the Trustees in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence honoring those who have given us all our freedom. Mr. Monhollen then presented each of the students with a certificate of appreciation and a special pin.

**Mr. Dunlap moved to accept, without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the regular Trustee Meeting of March 7, 2018. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap moved to accept, without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the Public Hearing for Case Number 08-ZC-2017. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

### **Public Comments:**

None

### **County Authorities:**

None

### **Departmental Reports:**

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

Chief Little reported Station 591 – We did punch out the Level 200 and 300 level and everything that we marked on the punch list was repaired. On Friday we are doing punch-out on Level 100 which is the bay and mechanical area. With the weather changing there has been some work done outside. They changed the fence posts today for the decorative fence that goes around the parking lot and we will start seeing the screen fence going around the generator around back.

Project Four, which is the Fairfield County Overdose Response Team; Lt. Postage is a part of that and has helped developed this. The intent is to be in touch with overdose victims within a 24 hour period after they are either released from the ER or discharged from the hospital if they are admitted. Their hope is to help get them into some form of treatment or rehab. The group is made up of a Community Medic, a member of the Fairfield Hocking Drug Task Force and a Social Worker from the ADAM Board. The officer that is part of the Fairfield Hocking Task Force; their thing is to try to illicit some information about the dealers so they can try to stop it at that level before it gets down to the use level.

Chief Little reported he and Lt. Postage traveled to Cincinnati and took part in a community medic forum through the University of Cincinnati. They were invited

to speak about the program and how it started and how it has gone. Chief Little said it was good to get some information from other people on how they are attacking the problem.

The New Engine Medic Committee left on Monday and have been at Pierce. They should be home tomorrow evening with Engine 591 at Station 592. It has a 75' ladder on it.

Chief Little and Bret Bowen will be in Denver, CO. April 4 through April 7 for the Labor Management Alliance Conference.

We are running a little ahead of last year but nothing significant. There were no accidents last month. YTD compared to last year our transports are a little light. (overall about 3-4%) Chief expects this to pick up as the months go on. EMS receipts are slightly ahead of last year (about \$1,000 ahead).

We are looking to purchase a belt squat machine and related accessories for new Fire Station 591 for strength training. Total cost is \$3,325.00. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0321-01 – Purchase Fitness Equipment for New Fire Station 591. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

**Township Engineer: Greg Butcher**

Mr. Butcher reported the City of Pickerington continues to review their scope and bid for the 2018 Paving Program. Their Finance Committee is meeting to hopefully appropriate more revenue which will allow them to move forward. It is important to get this moving and he encouraged his colleagues to ensure that the City is onboard with this multi-jurisdictional effort. Mr. Dunlap asked if the City does not increase their funds does that nullify the deal? Mr. Butcher said obviously when you have a 3-pronged approach and one of the prongs drops off then you have political, technical, scheduled price, legal problems. Mr. Dunlap asked if that meant we go back out and bid again. Mr. Butcher said yes.

Mrs. Wilde asked what they were short and did it change from last year. Mr. Butcher said their scope was identified and they attached an estimate to the scope based on their professional opinion of what the expected cost would be. They came in higher than what they had allocated or budgeted or appropriated for that scope of work. Mr. Butcher explained what he had done in the past prior to executing a contract he had a conversation with a successful bidder and modified the scope. The City had elected not to do that on advice of counsel.

Mr. Dunlap asked if the City's prong of the project over a million. Mr. Butcher said it was somewhere in there (a million or million two).

Mrs. Wilde asked what the timeline was. Mr. Butcher said they would have to pass it in an Emergency meeting because of the 60 day deadline from the date of February 22, 2018.

Mr. Butcher provided handouts from the County Engineer's 'annual meeting with their Trustees'. Mr. Butcher attended the meeting last week with 12 other Townships and their representatives. Mr. Butcher explained (for Melissa's benefit) this was an annual review that we do and the packet talks about their philosophy, using their equipment, force account, the projects they will execute this year and it identifies our township allocation. Mr. Dunlap did not think we received notification of that meeting. Mr. Eisel said it could have been sent via fax and during our transition to the new phone system our fax was down for a few

days during that time period. Mr. Butcher said the important thing was we 'captured' it and were able to be there.

Mr. Butcher reported it has been 9 or 10 years since we purchased a dump truck and he had a resolution prepared to purchase a 2018 Kenworth dump truck.

Our partners at Fairfield County Soil and Water and Fairfield County Utilities have been working diligently on the NPDES (MS4) permit. We have given them information related to this and the County Sanitary Engineer will sign and send to the EPA. A big thanks to Chad Lucht of Fairfield Soil and Water and Fairfield County Utilities would be appropriate.

Mr. Butcher, Mr. Eisel and Mr. Dunlap attended a meeting with the Fairfield County Prosecutor to review the potential of regulating/enforcing No Through Trucks on Township roads. Damage to Township infrastructure and expenditure of resources has been a result of trucks unable to turn or navigate narrow township roads. Representatives of the Sheriff's Office and Ohio Highway Patrol were also present. More information will follow.

We have received our contracted tonnage of road salt. We will wait for ODOT's approach to a potential summer fill contract to determine how we will proceed in filling the salt barn. He received notice from ODOT that indicated by Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup> they will need a resolution from us identifying how much salt we would like to bid as part of the larger ODOT bid for a summer fill. Mr. Butcher will have a resolution for next meeting.

Mr. Dunlap wondered if Mr. Butcher had any opportunity to get the 'Load Limit' signs raised. Mr. Butcher said he would get to them as soon as they could as they have been short handed.

Mr. Dunlap also added to the meeting they had with the prosecutor and the patrols and the sheriff's office that it stems from the large, long semis that are cutting up Allen Road across Stemen and trying to do the same thing coming down Wagram Road and trying to make an impossible turn onto 204. These semis are cutting through to go to Amazon. We are trying to get a meeting with the Amazon Safety Officer to explain our problem and see if there is some way they can't communicate with all those drivers coming in and out to state or truck routes. Because we are a Home Rule Township the state law says that living in Home Rule is to be similar and like fashion as it is to cities and municipalities. The prosecutors and others are exploring some innovative ways that we may be the first in the state to utilize the maximum of our Home Rule ability.

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0321-04 – Purchase Kenworth Dump/Plow Truck for Road Department. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

**Director of Operations: John Eisel**

Mr. Eisel reported since the Pickerington Central Lady Tigers have won the State Championship in Division 1, Mr. Eisel prepared a proclamation to be signed and he will have it framed. He is waiting to hear back from Principal Tenenbaum on how the boys basketball does and details on the celebration.

We received notification of road closure for Refugee Road on Monday, March 26 through Wednesday, March 28, for a culvert replacement.

The MORPC State of the Region luncheon will be held April 19 at 11 am and we have our table that we do jointly with Canal Winchester.

The County State of the Region luncheon will be April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Crossroads Ministry Center and lunch begins at 11:30am.

In reference to the Allen Road crash Mr. Eisel reported that our property damage release was returned to the insurance carrier on 2-26-2018 Mr. Eisel sent a follow-up correspondence to them requested the progress.

Working Partners has been provided with the roster for all employees and supervisor trainings for the annual DFWP Training. Payment will be delivered to them this week. Mr. Eisel said employees will receive an email on how to proceed.

Mr. Eisel reported we held a meeting with Moody, Nolan and Rockmill to make sure our efforts were coordinated and not duplicated. Kickoff meetings and stakeholder identification will be scheduled soon.

Mr. Eisel and Mrs. Mattie attended the Fairfield County Commissioners Meeting and advised them of our intent to move forward. Melissa Wilde also attended the Pickerington City Council meeting to do the same.

On House Bill 500 (Township Omnibus Bill) we submitted a letter of support, for the legislation, particularly the reduction of acreage required for a New Community Authority.

The owners of the Ugly Mug requested to meet with staff and Sheriff's Office to review the resolution and solutions to mitigate complaints. They want to be good neighbors. The owners have installed their own sound system so they can have better regulation of all aspects of the noise.

Staff met with OTARMA to review our coverages and renewal proposal. Mr. Eisel had a resolution for consideration.

The public Hearing for South Hampton was closed on February 7. A resolution was prepared for consideration.

Mr. Eisel reported he attended the annual Canal Winchester CRA Tour on March 14<sup>th</sup>.

Reynoldsburg Police Department sent the Board of Trustees an invite for the swearing in of their new Police Chief.

There will be a lawn care workshop held here on April 14 at 9:00 am put on by the Fairfield Soil & Water Conservation District.

On April 28 from 10am to 2pm there will be a drug collection, electronics recycling & Shred Day at the Violet Township Service Center.

**Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0321-01 – Retain Moody-Nolan for Community Center Feasibility Planning Services. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Discussion:** Mr. Dunlap asked if we had looked at anyone else. Mr. Eisel said were not required to gather 3 bids for a project of this amount and Mr. Eisel said we chose Moody-Nolan based on the fact of their expertise in this area locally and nationally. Mrs. Wilde added that we were very

comfortable with Moody-Nolan. **Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution passes 3-0.**

Mr. Eisel presented a resolution to approve South Hampton Development Text Plan for Case number 08-ZC-2017. **Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0321-02 – Approve Modification to South Hampton Development Text Plan. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

Mr. Eisel presented another resolution to authorize him to renew with OTARMA. **Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0321-03 – Authorize Director of Operations to Renew with OTARMA. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

**Motions to be considered:**

None

**Brian Sauer: Fiscal Officer**

Mr. Sauer reported he has been in contact with the folks who will be handling our bi-annual audit.

Mr. Sauer reported he received information from Daline Pride in regards to an audit that the City of Columbus engaged her with regards to our motor vehicle license registration. The taxes we receive from that with regards to addresses that we would have been given funds for that were within Violet Township. We will not be getting a bill to pay anything back. They will update the records and get the addresses corrected going forward.

**Trustee Reports:**

Mrs. Wilde reported she attended the Chamber event and said Mr. Dunlap did a 'fantastic' job on presenting the 'State of the Community'.

Mr. Dunlap asked if Pickerington City Council received the information Mrs. Wilde presented on a new Community Center with open arms. Mrs. Wilde said she just made them aware that we are moving forward and if they wanted to reach out they were more than welcome.

Mr. Monhollen reported he and Mrs. Mattei have met with the City of Pickerington a few times regarding the Community Authority. Mr. Monhollen also attended the Fairfield County Township's Association meeting. He gave kudos to Mr. Dunlap and said he did a nice job running the meeting.

**Meetings (where there may be more than one Trustee present):**

None

**Old Business:**

None

**Tabled Business: Mr. Monhollen made a motion to remove Resolution 2018-0307-04 – Authorize 2018 Sponsorship of Picktown Palooza from the table. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, no. Motion carries 2-1.**

**Mr. Dunlap moved to table Resolution 2018-0307-04. Motion fails for a lack of second.**

**Mr. Monhollen made a motion to sponsor the Pickerington Palooza. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, no. Motion carries 2-1.**

**New Business:** The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative offices.

**Pay Bills:**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Discussion:** Mr. Dunlap had a question on the vendor Hissong. Mr. Butcher said it was for the dump truck. **Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion at 8:16pm to take a ten minute recess and then go into Executive Session per the Ohio Revised Code Section 122.22 (G) (2) to discuss the purchase or sale of public property and Section 121.22(G)(1) – to discuss/consider personnel issues. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Included in the Executive Session were the three Trustees, the Assistant Fire Chief, the Director of Operations and the Engineer. Motion carries 3-0. Mr. Monhollen added at the conclusion of the Executive Session they will conduct no further business.**

**Mrs. Wilde made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:43 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

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Brian C. Sauer, Fiscal Officer

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Approved by:

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Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

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Darrin Monhollen, Trustee

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Melissa S. Wilde, Trustee

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