

Violet Township Board of Trustees

October 17, 2012

Regular Meeting

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

Mr. Myers called the meeting to order and Christopher Smith, Fiscal Officer called the roll: Mr. Myers, Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Weltlich were present. Others present were: Director of Operations, Bill Yapple; Engineer, Greg Butcher and Fire Chief, John Eisel.

Mr. Myers asked everyone in attendance to join him the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Mr. Dunlap moved to approve, without public reading, the minutes of the Regular meeting of October 3, 2012 as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; and Mr. Myers, yes. The minutes of the Regular meeting of October 3, 2012 are approved 3-0.

Recognition of Guests

None

County Authorities:

None

Public Comment

None

Departmental Reports

Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher reported that Issue One applications for Mingo Estates were submitted on October 5. Mr. Butcher referenced a graph he had attached to the application which showed our history on state and federal grant funding over the last ten years. Mr. Butcher felt we have had a fair share of success with funding and wanted to show the Trustees this data. Mr. Butcher added that this graph did not include some of our natural resources work, our park work and Harmon Road. Mr. Butcher and Mr. Yapple will get together and look deeper into this and see what other sources of revenue they can acquire and report.

Mr. Butcher reported starting Monday they will commence with the tree trimming and dead tree removal. A few Ash trees were taken down in Harmon Road Park.

Mr. Butcher reported on Safe Routes to Schools and explained this week they distributed about 1500 bike helmets to 5th and 6th grade students at Pickerington Local Schools. Mr. Butcher and Mr. Yapple participated in the districts 'walk to school' day that was held today.

Mr. Butcher reported he received an email this morning from Jeff Baird of the County Engineers office confirming that our allocations request for reimbursement from their motor vehicle fund in the amount of \$6650.00 was approved.

Mr. Butcher reported within a few weeks we should be receiving a check from FEMA from the June wind storm in the amount of \$13,000.

Mr. Dunlap had asked Mr. Butcher to make a call to American Rock Salt. We have 496 tons of salt that we need to take delivery on by 12/31/2012. The question was asked, did we have any options and at this time they have not come up with any options. We are pretty well exhausted – everything is full.

On September 29th there was an accident on Pickerington Road at Ault Road. This week there was a second fatality out of that crash. Mr. Butcher thought it was appropriate for us to ask the County Engineers office to take a look at this and an email from Mr. Butcher was sent asking his staff to perform a safety review and evaluation of the intersection.

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Several months ago Mr. Butcher provided the Trustees with a Sign Management Policy/Protocol. Mr. Butcher did not think there was resolution at the time the information was presented. Mr. Butcher will provide additional copies for the Trustees in hopes of incorporating the document into a Resolution. Mr. Dunlap recommended they check to make sure Federal Government has more than what they originally did regarding their timetable.

Mr. Weltlich commended Mr. Butcher for charting the grants we have received. Mr. Weltlich recommended that he put beside it the amount of monies that we have applied for so we can get a percentile.

Fire Department

Chief Eisel had two presentations. The first was a revised Mission and Code of Ethics Document that was revised in September, 2012 as part of their training with personnel. Chief Eisel also presented a picture to the Trustees to display in the Administrative Offices. It has the code of ethics, the rules that we live by and our vision and values from strategic planning that we have done.

Chief Eisel reported the Open House was a huge success. The parking lot was full. The Director of the Burn Unit at OSU was there (as they have been for years) and they actually counted how many people came to their booth and the number was 518. Last year they had 338 people visit their booth. Mr. Myers asked if there was any video footage taken. Chief Eisel said he was interviewed by the videographer from the Ohio Township Association. Mr. Myers said one particular firm had come out years ago and filmed the road department and fire departments. They never produced the video and kept the tapes so about 6 months ago Mr. Myers called Katelyn at the OTA who said they were making a new video and Mr. Myers called her back about 3 months ago. Katelyn said they had already gotten enough footage and did not use us. Mr. Myers told her he was disappointed in that. She had another gentlemen call him who came out to the Open House and took a lot of footage.

Mr. Weltlich commended Chief Eisel for all the efforts he has taken on behalf of the Pickerington Food Pantry and commented that he was a true inspiration.

Director of Operations:

Mr. Yapple reported we have a total of 18 single family permits for the year which is a little bit above where we were last year. We had a large quarter for other permits which was 46 and 129 for the year. We had 4 commercial permits for the quarter and a total of 13 for the year.

Mr. Yapple shared a copy of a letter that was sent to Canal Winchester from the EPA regarding the municipal stormwater annual report.

Mr. Yapple reported on the situation regarding moving Ohio forward properties – we have spoken to the Wesleyan Church in regards to the 204 property. We believe they are willing to participate in dollars. We are still working through all this. We are working on others as well. Mr. Weltlich asked if the state publishes the dos and don'ts. Mr. Yapple thinks they are letting the Counties do the do's and don'ts. It has been sent to the state for approval and they are delegating the rules to be written by the counties and then approved subject to their approval.

Mr. Yapple reported on the Fairfield 33 Safety Study at District 5 that he and Ms. Davis attended. Mr. Yapple sent the Trustees a scan of a draft scope of services.

We have the Recognition Banquet scheduled for December 21 at noon.

Mr. Yapple attended an ODOT meeting on major projects. There was a spreadsheet in the Trustees packet listing major projects from 2014 to 2017 proposed along with some funding information from Lancaster Public Transit.

We received a letter from Enron Corporation stating there will be another gas and oil well drilled on the Cardulla property on Tollgate Road. It appears it will begin sometime early November if OD&R gets approved.

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Mr. Yapple had two resolutions for consideration. One was to modify our existing resolution to levy lodging tax in the Township. The other resolution is accepting rates and amounts for the Fiscal Office.

Mr. Yapple reported we received a public notice from the County Engineer's office that on October 22nd from 7am to 4 pm Busey Road between Pickerington and just west of the bridge at Sycamore Creek for deck repairs on the bridge.

Mr. Yapple has spoken to three different companies regarding electric and the aggregation program. Trebel llc has come back at the best number. It is not a huge kilowatt number but the savings is somewhat better than 25% estimated on this building and station 3 over a period of time. In dollars it looks like it could be 2500.00 to 3000.00 electric for those two buildings alone. They were at .064 and the closest to them was AEP Energy and they were in at .07601 per kilowatt. Mr. Yapple would like to proceed with Trebel llc if the Trustees would do a motion. We would have a 2 year agreement with them.

We received a liquor permit that they wanted us to act on. They said it was in the Township and it is not in the Township. Mr. Yapple called the permit department and told them it is on Stonecreek Drive where Roosters is going in behind Max and Erma's. There is another eatery going in there called Lomonicos, Incorporated. Mr. Yapple told them it was in the City of Pickerington. The permit department said we had to act on it. Mr. Yapple finally called Mr. Baly who is one of their legal counsels who we have dealt with before and told him it was not in the township. They are sending an investigator out and will let him know what to do with it.

At the last meeting Mr. Yapple presented some 'beginning' information about stormwater programs we would like to get involved with. It is a monitoring program that will help us do Issue 2 compliance monitoring and it will also put together a web based program that could hold the data that Mr. Butcher could enter things in that he does and Chad could enter things, Todd from the County could enter things in their drainage maintenance districts upon inspection to show the EPA that we are doing these things. Initial cost is \$1200.00 annually for the web based program. It could be accessed by a air card or internet service. The loading of our data that we have currently at GIS in Fairfield County would all be loaded up onto this system in Texas. We could add to or delete that information from. You would be able to compare information. The load up and the software customization is about 3600 to get that done. There is a \$1500.00 training charge which is a day's worth of training. Right now we are trying to have the trainer in here in February because there is a stormwater expo that Fairfield and Franklin County puts on. It has had good attendance in the past. If we can work it in the day ahead or day behind he would not charge us the travel expense (1500.00) but he would still charge the \$1500 for the educational day. Total is around \$7500 to \$8,000 to start this program including the \$1200 annual fee. Chad has seen the program. It has more data, easy to work with and is updated annually. Mr. Weltlich asked if this is something that will assist us in stormwater districts. Mr. Yapple said it absolutely would because Soil & Water has been out and categorized all of our streams and our outfalls that is already on GIS. We can load the data in GIS, we can put in the layer of sanitary sewers, we can put in the layer of waterlines that the County has in the Township so if we have a problem we can look at other data to see what is broke. We could begin scanning platted storm drawings that the County has on the subdivisions Greg could begin loading information where he goes out and works on a subdivision as we did in Glenshire. Soil and Water wants to go out and do the same thing with all of the storm catch basins and manholes as they have with water and sanitary lines that are on the GIS. This would be loaded into this product. It will put data in one place as we need for our stormwater district. Every year we would have a running report of what we did. We would have record in one location and we could all access it. The nice thing about it is you can use a tablet or laptop computer to do it. Mr. Weltlich asked if it had the capacity to track field tile. Mr. Yapple said yes, if you know where it is. Mr. Dunlap asked if Soil and Water and the County would take on any of the costs. Mr. Yapple said they would not at this point. Newark is saying this has been the best program they have had to do their NPDES to report. Mr. Myers wanted to know what we get for the additional \$500 per year. Mr. Yapple said any updates they do it will automatically be updated for us. Every year we would pay the \$1200. Mr. Yapple can ask the question to see if they would commit to a 3-5 year agreement to hold that \$1200 fee. Mr. Yapple and Chad have talked about what an advantage this would be. Mr. Butcher said he thought it was a good program but he has

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not looked into it as much as Mr. Yapple and Mr. Lucht have. He did hear the Newark comment. Our mandates and requirements are not going to diminish. He feels that the quicker we can get the proper information in efficiently and effectively the better. Mr. Yapple will try to come back at the next meeting and see if we can get a 10 year or 5 or 3 year agreement with them.

About a year ago Mr. Yapple said we discussed SOH Productions and the Chamber web tv. They have sponsors who fund it and all we have to do is help them produce the information. They will come out and do videos for us. They do all the entry and data and we have to supply the updates. There is no fee to sponsor.

Mr. Yapple reported we have spent about \$4900.00 on repairs for this building for electronics and so forth from the lightning damage. We received all but \$500, which is our deductible from OTARMA.

Mr. Yapple has a meeting with Rumpke and the consultant that put out the bid package for the bidders on trash for the City of Pickerington. We will talk about what requirements there are for a subdivision. Mr. Yapple has had 6 subdivisions contact him so far that are interested. Meadowmoore would be 100% participation. Mr. Myers said he had a call from Chevington South today so that would make 7 interested.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-1003-01 – Resolution to Levy a Lodging Tax in Violet Township. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2012-1003-01 passes 3-0.

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Smith reported the new check signing machine is up and running. Mr. Smith also reported the 'big news' is that the state has contacted him in regards to our audit. They have picked the audit back up and they have collected a few more bits of information. We hope to be hearing from them soon. Mr. Smith will be at training next Wednesday, 10-10-12 for continuing education. Mr. Smith had a resolution to accept the rates and amounts that the County has determined for our taxes. We have to certify them that we accept them. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-1017-02 – Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates ad Determined by the Fairfield County Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying them to the County Auditor. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2012-1017-02 passes 3-0.**

Trustee Reports

None

Trustees out of Office Meetings

None

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to accept Mr. Yapple's recommendation to hire Trebel llc as our aggregate electric supplier. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion A2012-1017 passes 3-0.

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

New Business

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be held November 7, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Yapple added that the CEDA Development Standards have been written and sent to the Trustees. They will need to do a Public Hearing for this and Mr. Yapple wanted to know if they wanted to do it at 7:00 pm before the regular meeting or at 8:00 pm during the regular meeting as we need to advertise. Mr. Weltlich feels the document needs to be re-worked as he had difficulty understanding the document. Mr. Yapple said the

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document combines information from the Village of Canal Winchester because that is part of our CEDA Agreement. Mr. Weltlich asked that they postpone the Public Hearing until the other two Trustees have a chance to review the document again.

Pay Bills

Mr. Weltlich made the motion to pay the bills. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion passes 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to recess the Regular Trustee meeting and go into Executive Session at 8:35 pm per the Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(1) – Discipline and Employment. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Meyers, yes. Motion passes 3-0.

Mr. Myers announced there would be no official business occurring after the Executive Session before they adjourn the meeting and they took a 10 minute recess before starting the Executive Session. In the Executive Session will be the three Trustees, the Fire Chief and Fire Department personnel.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 10:05 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion passes 3-0.

Adjournment

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:06 pm. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion passes 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher H. Smith, Fiscal Officer

Joniann Goldberg, Administrative Assistant

Approved by:

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Trustee

Gary P. Weltlich, Trustee

Date: _____