

Violet Township Board of Trustees

November 21, 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 Yaple; 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. Weltlich moved to approve, without public reading, the minutes of the Regular meeting of November 7, 2012 as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; and Mr. Myers, yes. The minutes of the Regular meeting of November 7, 2012 are approved 3-0.

Recognition of Guests

Trish Gerencer of Oakmere Drive in Summerfield was present along with Alex Conag, President of the student body at Pickerington High School North for the Food Pantry for Animals. They are the first Food Pantry for Animals (mostly by students) in the State of Ohio and in a three state region. Ms. Gerencer explained they are run by the Pickerington North Honors Society and they have goals, a mission and are very organized. The only thing they need is a place to distribute their food. Petco Foundation has accepted them as their charity for this region and Petco has partnered with them and given them both money and food.

Alex Conag of 9229 Indian Mound Court explained they all love animals and they are the only dog food pantry run by students in the state. They help people by helping their animals. They will be going through the Pickerington Post Office, Meals on Wheels and area churches.

Mr. Weltlich asked how they would identify the people in our community that are in need. Ms. Gerencer said they would advertise, use the post office, churches, flyers and social media; but word of mouth was their preference.

Mr. Myers asked if they had written any Bi-Laws. Ms. Gerencer said they had not because they were under the Pickerington School District with the 501C3 as a club within the National Honors Society. Ms. Gerencer said that ideally she would like to have a place to store and for distribution. Their original plan was to build a shed and call it the 'Doghouse' and store their food and distribute there. Mr. Weltlich suggested it might be easier to say they would serve the Pickerington Local School District. Ms. Gerencer said the people from Petco in Reynoldsburg have committed to be 'adult mentors' to the committee and tell them how much food each animal will need and then they will need to find out how many people are in need of that food.

The Trustees recommended Ms. Gerencer makes contact with board members at the Friends of Pickerington Dog Park for guidance; specifically Craig Maxey or Dan Patrini.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to allow the committee for the Food Pantry for animals to use our parking lot on Saturdays or Sundays (depending on their schedule) to distribute for the Animal Food Pantry. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion A1121-2012 passes 3-0. Mr. Dunlap said he would donate straw for bedding if anyone needed it.

Ron Smith, representing SOH Productions in Gahanna was present. Mr. Smith explained their project is called City Vision which is set up to have a mission of providing the residents of Violet Township and Pickerington area to with an informational and educational resource to turn to for the latest information about and for Our community and what is going on around the area. The purpose would be an innovative online resource to showcase what makes this area great. Basically you can watch Pickerington TV anywhere around the world. They have six channels set up for Pickerington to include a city channel, a schools channel, a chamber channel, a library channel and a community channel. Mr. Smith shared a video to give an example of what they are doing for Reynoldsburg. There is a six step process; where they would provide all the

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video production services. We could do a 'ride along' at no expense to us for a story about the community. They will provide the website and maintaining the station or website. They will create a promotional disc as well as a video on the homepage explaining to the residents how to use. They will submit all content back to us for our approval before it goes on the air. They will meet on a monthly basis as a programming committee and they will also meet with us as a channel owner independently. They ask us to come up with what we want for the Township. Mr. Smith gave kudos to Joy Davis for her involvement with the programming committee meetings and her attendance.

Mr. Smith said they are not asking for any financial support for the project as they are doing this as a project to generate awareness of what is going on with each organization within the community.

Mr. Dunlap asked how they get their financing. Mr. Smith said they have community partners that choose to help them support the station. The first is a 'community founder' and they would have the opportunity to be the sponsor of the entire station and have their commercials seen before any show on any channel. If you want to be a 'community champion' you would sponsor a specific channel. There is a 'community leader' where you sponsor a specific show on an ongoing basis. The 'community support' is a onetime event.

The Trustees asked that the Prosecuting Attorney look at the agreement. Mr. Smith will also submit to the programming committee for a name change and will get back to the Trustees.

Departmental Reports

Fire Department

Chief Eisel reported as part of their ongoing operations plan, they are proposing the purchase of two (2) General Dynamics GD-8000 mobile vehicle computers from Group Mobile at a total cost not to exceed \$3,900.00. Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-1121-02 – Mobile Vehicle Computer Purchase. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap asked if these were the same ones we had before. Chief Eisel said they were. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2012-1121-02 passes 3-0.

Chief Eisel reported the annual Toy Drive kicks off tomorrow.

Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher reported they had some Fleet Maintenance software training occurred on November 16th and he felt there was excellent discussion with Violet Township Fire Department. Opportunities being explored with Fairfield County GIS to interface/connect data that already exists.;

Mr. Butcher reported equipment preparation is underway for winter weather.

Mr. Weltlich asked if there was any change in the salt storage program. Mr. Butcher reported there is a possibility they may extend the date to December 31st 2013.

Mr. Weltlich asked if the cemetery damages/repairs are complete. Mr. Butcher said they were.

Mr. Weltlich asked about a graffiti issue in Glenshire. Mr. Butcher said it was one of those issues where there was a 'burst' at the end of the summer and then it went away.

Director of Operations:

Mr. Yapple reminded the Trustees the tree lighting in the Olde Pickerington Village will be Friday, December 7th at 7:30 pm with festivities from 5 – 8:30 pm.

Mr. Yapple reported we have signed the agreement with CBI Systems and our site is up and running and will start downloading information next week.

The proposal to help create a trash district was in the packet. Mr. Yapple still needs information from Homeowners Associations.

We have a CEDA Standards hearing at the December 7th meeting at 8pm.

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We received notice from the State of Ohio that all permits to sell alcoholic beverages in our political subdivision will expire February 1, 2013. Mr. Yaple will get information from the Sheriff's office to see if we need to move forward with anything formerly.

Mr. Yaple received correspondence for renewal for fertilization services for 2013 from Klamfoth for five locations we have been doing for the last few years.

Mr. Yaple sent the RUMA agreement to the prosecutor's office and they sent us one back to look through that the County Engineer has done and he is asking if we would agree to adopt that one. We are comparing at this point.

We have had another person agree to cooperate on a property on Amanda Northern Road. There are a few houses they have agreed to put into the program. We are working on details for demolition.

The sign for the Busey Road Park is up. It is double sided and looks good.

Mr. Yaple contacted OPI regarding cabinet work in the administration lobby and is still waiting on a price.

Mr. Yaple was asked by Mr. Weltlich to look at Bloom Township's road levy. It is a 3 mill levy that has been in effect since 2003 and is a 5 year term levy that just went through its third voting process this year. It is good until 2018.

The County Association meeting is on December 9th at 6:00 pm at the Liberty Center.

Mr. Yaple mentioned the pricing for mobile data devices for the Road Department. They are on sale right now and won't be on sale much longer. Mr. Yaple has spoken to Keytel and would like to buy two more of them, for Greg as these are \$5000 machines that he can put in his trucks and be utilizing it while on the road. Mr. Yaple had a meeting with OTARMA and they are beginning to ask us to show that we do monthly inspections on signage. It is a paper job now that takes time. This would be an application we could take to the field, date it and it can download and connect backwards to the server when it comes back to the shop to update the program that is already there. It saves time and could be done by Greg or by someone. It would be \$3900.00 for two of them. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to purchase two Mobile Data Machines for \$3900.00 for the Road Department. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion B1121-2012 passes 3-0.**

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to contract with Klamfoth, Inc. for fertilization services for 2013 for the (5) locations in the Township as submitted by Mr. Yaple. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap asked if we had gotten prices from other companies and were we required to. Not unless it is over the amount and he is not over the amount. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion C1121-2012 passes 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap asked if Mr. Yaple heard anything back from Chad on the stormwater program. Mr. Yaple said it did get approved and we are buying the software.

Mr. Weltlich asked what the situation was with Mr. Laramée and the demolition funds coming from the State of Ohio to the County to us. Mr. Yaple said we have spoken to Mr. Laramée and the position is that it would go on to the assessment of the taxes of the property. If the property sold there would be some agreements made that in 5 years it would be paid back to the County. If after 5 years the property is not sold for each year thereafter (for the next five) that number would be reduced 20%. At the end of ten years there would be nothing owed back to the County. That was the initial talks we have had but nothing is in writing at this point. Mr. Myers asked (on the second five) if they increasing the taxes by 20%. Mr. Yaple said they were not. If someone kept the property for ten years, the concept was that it would be gone and they would not recover any dollars. The money came out of the State and it goes to the County. Some organization in the County has to administer the program. This has been to Community Action to handle the program. This is who we submitted the properties to. Mr. Dunlap said this putting it on the tax bill is not part of the states requirements. Mr. Yaple did not know if it was or not. The way it was explained to Mr. Yaple the first time it was not. . We do not want to jeopardize the program. Mr. Weltlich said that we are doing the 'administration' and they are claiming they are doing the administration and they get the money. That is not the way it started out.

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Mr. Weltlich wanted to know the status of the commercial overlay for the 33 corridor. Mr. Yaple said the development standards are part of the CEDA hearing that we will be having on December 5th. As of last night the Zoning Commission agreed to move forward with the adoption of those standards into the Zoning Code. It has been sent to Regional Planning and hope to have an answer back after their first meeting in December.

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Smith reported had a resolution for some small supplemental appropriations. Mr. Smith hopes to have the budget at the next meeting so they can approve it at the December 19th meeting. Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-1121-01 – Supplemental Appropriations. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap asked if this would get Ms. Menningen through the end of the year with no overtime. Mr. Smith said that was correct. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2012-1121-01 passes 3-0.

Trustee Reports

Mr. Weltlich reported the Pickerington Food Pantry had their Open House and he unofficially counted 126 people in attendance. Mr. Weltlich also attended the Pickerington Senior Center Thanksgiving Luncheon and made a solicitation for food for the Food Pantry. The Senior Center donated \$210.00. Mr. Weltlich also asked everyone to keep Susan Hite’s family in prayer.

Trustees out of Office Meetings

There will be a special meeting on November 28, 2012 at 4pm at the Township Administrative offices and there will be more than one Trustee in attendance.

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

New Business

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be held December 5, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

Pay Bills

Mr. Weltlich made the motion to pay the bills. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap asked what Serrano Family Practice was. Mr. Smith said it was physicals for the Fire Department. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion passes 3-0.

Adjournment

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:00 pm. Mr. Weltlich seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, 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: _____