

Violet Township Board of Trustees

December 5, 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. Dunlap moved to approve, without public reading, the minutes of the Regular meeting of November 21, 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 November 21, 2012 are approved 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich moved to approve, without public reading, the minutes of the Special Meeting of 11-27-2012 as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. The minutes of the Special Meeting of November 27, 2012 are approved 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich moved to approve, without public reading, the minutes of the Special Meeting of 12-4-2012 as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. The minutes of the Special Meeting of December 4, 2012 are approved 3-0.

Recognition of Guests

Dan Pillitt of 12098 Woodrow Lane, Pickerington was present. Mr. Pillitt had a proposal by the Friends of Violet Township Dog Park on Adopt a Tree Program. The 'Friends' will finance this or seek donations.

Mr. Myers wanted it known that we did not want any corporate sponsorship posted because this is a public park.

Mr. Butcher asked if the mulch and the fertilizer would hurt the dogs and Mr. Pillitteri said no. Mr. Butcher thinks it is a great idea but his concern is that he would like some kind of formal expectations. Mr. Pillitteri said his expectation is it is relatively a short term thing (like two to three years) that they are still getting donations, they are active and are looking at three or four years down the road.

Mr. Myers wanted to make sure they had a volunteer that is running the program and Mr. Pillitt assured him they did.

The Trustees did not have a problem with this as long as they get something documented to Mr. Butcher.

Ron Smith, representing SOH Productions of 299 Riverton Road, in Gahanna was present. Mr. Smith attended the last Trustee meeting and was requested that he go back to the programming committee of Pickerington TV to discuss questions in regard to names for the station and ways they could work on branding of the station to include VT. He brought two of the members Alison Forche who represents the Community Channel and Sue Ellen Goldsberry who represents the Library Channel. They looked up several URLs to see if there was a way to change the URL to reflect Pickerington and Violet Township together and were unable to find any domain addresses that would allow them to do this. They came up with a resolution that on every page including the homepage for the station for Pickerington TV there will be a very clear caption across the top on every channel of programming and on anything that is distributed about the station with a phrase that will say 'is dedicated to bringing news and information to the residents of Pickerington and Violet Township. Mr. Yaple said the Prosecutor came back with a few minor 'wording' changes that he and Mr. Smith can look at on their agreement.

Mr. Dunlap felt this was a good thing to have to get our message out to the residents of Violet Township. Mr. Dunlap made a motion to move ahead with this as long as the Prosecutor was ok with the verbiage in the use agreement and

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therefore move ahead with this. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion A2012-1205 passes 3-0.

Mr. Yaple asked about doing a promo welcoming everyone to the station at the opening of each station. Mr. Smith said there are 78 channels of programming available to watch (the Township channel, Ohio University Channel, Library Channel, School and Chamber Channel. They would like a representative of the Township to welcome people to the Township.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to recess the Regular Trustee Meeting and move into the Public Hearing to Consider Revisions to the Violet Township-Canal Winchester CEDA Development Standards. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carried 3:0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to close the Public Hearing and return to the regular Trustee meeting. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carried 3-0. The regular meeting was reconvened at 8:07 p.m.

Departmental Reports

Fire Department

Chief Eisel reported he had a resolution for the establishment and continuation of the Firefighters Dependant Fund. Chief explained that each year, they appoint two members from the Board of Trustees to serve and they also appoint two members from the Fire Department, which this upcoming year will again be Chief Eisel and Jason Smith and an area citizen as Member at Large. Dale England has once again agreed to be this appointee. They would like to continue as they have in the past and appoint Harry Myers and Gary Weltlich to the position of Board Member elected by the Legislative Authority for the 2013 term. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-1205-01 – Volunteer Firefighters Dependant Fund. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2012-1205-01 passes 3-0.**

Chief Eisel will be going to D.C. on Monday for a conference at the Fire Institute and will return Thursday.

Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher reported the recent warm weather enabled them to be able to mow the edge of the road right of way, especially in areas where crops were planed.

Mr. Butcher also reported the bid opening for the Safe Routes to Schools Violet Elementary sidewalk project was December 6th. Once the bids are reviewed, there will be a resolution to hire a contractor next meeting. Selection of a contractor needs to be done by the end of the year. Mr. Weltlich asked what the City's participation in this is. Mr. Butcher said the City's component is very simple. There is a crosswalk on Melrose Boulevard that leads to a walking path for the back side of Violet Elementary and the walking path is a 'hodgepodge' of mulch, asphalt and concrete and some gravel that will be finished and concreted and will be a crosswalk with flashing lights. There could be connectivity from Springcreek to Melrose to the West and Refugee to the North

Mr. Butcher also reported he, Bill and Chad Lucht will be meeting next week to discuss several storm water-related issues. As discussed earlier this year, Mr. Butcher expects to have a work session to evaluate the Township's direction(s), moving forward and for the Trustees to expect an invitation to this work session sometime in January. Mr. Weltlich hopes to have a solid recommendation.

Director of Operations:

Mr. Yaple gave the Trustees information on OTARMA representatives to vote on two reps recommended or do a write in. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to approve the OTARMA votes on two board member recommendations. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, no. Motion B2012-1205 passes 2-1.**

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Mr. Yaple asked for a motion to re-join CLOUT. **Mr. Weltlich made a motion to re-join CLOUT for the year 2013. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Discussion: Mr. Myers asked if there was a cost for this. Mr. Yaple said it was \$200.00 a year as their base cost and they have asked for donations in the past. There are a lot of briefs with court action and they support State representatives and political action issues. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, no. Motion C1205-2012 passes 2-1.**

Mr. Yaple reported we received notice from the State that all the alcohol beverage permits will expire February 1, 2013. He passed out report on calls from different establishments over the last 11 months. The Trustees did not have any objections to the liquor permits.

Mr. Yaple reported Chad had quite a bit of material on storm water Erosion program loaded onto the GIS program and this is being worked on now. In about a week Chad hopes to have all the pictures from a few years ago uploaded as well.

The Computers and brackets for Greg's equipment that was authorized last week have been ordered. We do not have a delivery date.

There was a resolution to reappoint Dr. Bath to Term on the Violet Township Port Authority Board of Directors.

There was a resolution to declare some excess equipment (software that is outdated). It has no commercial value as you cannot sell it.

We are still discussing issues with the 'Moving Ohio Forward property information. The Building CBO and Ms. Sarko went and looked at the properties and the CBO has no problem on writing letters on them.

We received an answer from the Prosecutor on the Senior Center Agreement. They have a few minor changes.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-1205-02 – To Reappoint Dr. Manraj Bath to Term on the Violet Township Port Authority Board of Directors. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2012-1205-02 – To Reappoint Dr. Manraj Bath to Term on the Violet Township Port Authority Board of Directors passes 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-1205-03 – Declare Excess Property. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2012-1205-03 passes 3-0.

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Smith reported he was having lunch with our financial investment representative to decide on where to invest our funds on Friday. He will have an update. Mr. Smith reported they had a proposed appropriation budget for 2013. The only one that is not totally up to date is Chief Eisel and they will email. Also there is a resolution from the Ohio Association of Professional Firefighters and they have changed some legislation to contribute to the Deferred Compensation Plan.

Mr. Dunlap asked about when they purchased the laptop for Ms. Menningen and Mr. Smith was to keep them informed on how much time she was working from home. Mr. Smith said he would be glad to do this.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-1205-04 – Amend the (Ohio Association of Professional Firefighters) OAPFF 457 Plan – 611053. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion: Mr. Myers asked if this was something they had been in or something new. Mr. Smith said it was something they have been in but the language had changed. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2012-1205-04 passes 3-0.

Mr. Myers asked why there was correspondence from Al Schrader attached to the

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Resolution on the Port Authority. Mr. Yaple said it was just part of the business we needed to do. Mr. Yaple agreed it should be filed in the confidential correspondence file.

Trustee Reports

Mr. Weltlich reported the annual Plaza of Lights Fundraiser has started for the Food Pantry and they have already received \$5,000.

Mr. Dunlap reported that out on Carroll Northern Road (on the east side on the Bill Poth property there is an old building that sets back in there that is a log cabin. The cabin was built by the same people who built the cabin we have currently stored. It is available to look at and evaluate us if we want to take it down. He would like Greg and him to look at it and see what the Township could do with it. There is no cost involved to acquire the building – only the employees and equipment.

Trustees out of Office Meetings

December 7th at 7:30 p.m. is the Tree Lighting in Olde Pickerington Village and festivities are from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m.

December 9th at 6:00 p.m. –Trustees and Fiscal Officers meeting at the Liberty Center in Lancaster.

December 17th at 10:00 am - Frank Harmon will be at the Township Office to discuss Affordable Health Care for America Act (or HR 3962)

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

New Business

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be held December 19, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

Pay Bills

Mr. Dunlap made the motion to pay the bills. Mr. Weltlich seconded the motion. 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 8:35 pm. Mr. Dunlap seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, 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: _____