

Violet Township Board of Trustees

February 21, 2007
Regular Meeting

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

Mr. Van Kannel called the roll and Mr. Dunlap, Mr. Myers, and Mr. Weltlich responded, "present". Other Township employees present were Bill Yaple, Director of Operations, Kenn Taylor, Fire Chief, and Greg Butcher, Violet Township Engineer.

Mr. Weltlich asked the audience to join with him in the Pledge of Allegiance and to remain standing for a moment of silence in honor of those that safeguard our freedoms around the world and here at home.

Mr. Weltlich asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Mr. Myers moved, seconded by Mr. Dunlap to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2007, Regular Meeting without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Minutes approved.

Mr. Dunlap moved, seconded by Mr. Myers to approve the minutes of the public hearing for Case No. 09-ZC-2006, Case No. 11-ZC-2006 and 12-ZC-2006 held on February 7, 2007 without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Minutes approved.

Mr. Dunlap moved, seconded by Mr. Myers to approve the minutes of the special meeting to declare a Snow Emergency held on February 13, 2007 without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer.

Recognition of Guests:

None

County Authorities

Chief Deputy Perrigo reported they had a good meeting on the goals for 2007 within the department. They will participate in an exercise on March 8th. There will be 30 cruisers from various organizations and as many as 30 fire departments. They will be testing Emergency response.

State of the County is tentatively set for March 13th. Blue coat awards are March 12th. They will be participating in a committee to study the possibility of building a new facility. Started new training where they actually simulate searching a building.

Public Comments

None

Fire Department

Chief Taylor commended Mr. Butcher and his crew for the fine job they have done on the roads with the recent weather.

They have been extremely busy with a variety of different things going on.

Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher reported he had nothing new to report on the Mingo Estates Issue 2 Project, other than awaiting approval from the Ohio Public Works Commission to proceed.

Mr. Butcher had nothing new to report on the Sagamore Pond Ditch other than a letter he will be sending out tomorrow.

Mr. Butcher reported the Road Department's activity has increased heavily in the last couple of weeks due to the snow. They made up for what they did not have in December and January in salt and overtime. They worked about 140 hours in overtime over the last two weeks. Mr. Butcher stated he has ordered about 850 tons of salt in the last three or four weeks.

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Mr. Myers asked what the status was of stop signs on Allen Road. Mr. Butcher has contacted Norfolk Southern Railroad. He also commended Mr. Butcher about the good job on the roads.

Mr. Dunlap read a letter from a resident about the good job the Road Department has done with the roads.

Mr. Weltlich echoed what Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Myers said and how much he appreciated the great job as well as how much he appreciated Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Yapple pitching in with the plowing of the roads.

Mr. Weltlich asked that Mr. Butcher start doing a monthly report on accidents.

Mr. Weltlich also asked about the Carl James situation. Mr. Butcher stated he gave Mr. James some suggestions and it has been quiet.

Mr. Weltlich asked about the Refugee Road closing and Mr. Butcher stated he had not heard anything. Mr. Butcher stated he observed that there was a big dip in the road there.

Director of Operations

Mr. Yapple reported Canal Winchester is asking to help as we did last year with human resources in purchasing a van for transportation of seniors and handicaps and so forth. It should be in sometime in May before they receive it.

The vacation of right-of-way in Lockville was postponed last week and the date has not been reset yet.

Mr. Yapple reported that we are revising the Records Retention list so that we can sit down with the Chairman and Fiscal Officer so we can adopt a standard township records retention policy per House Bill 9 for the State of Ohio.

Mr. Yapple received the official actions on the hearing of the 227-acre staying Mrs. Thornton's case, of the 387-annexation and also of the court actions there are briefings scheduled due sometime in July or August for the judge to make his decision.

Canal Winchester Annual Chamber dinner is March 9.

The Club 33 hearing for the liquor permit will be March 12th at the County Commissioners office at 9am.

There will be a meeting on March 6 at 1pm in Pataskala City Hall on the 310 Corridor Study.

Mr. Yapple reported he received a call from Ester Heaton, editor of the Towne Crier who has a radio program on WLOH. She has asked someone from the Township to be on her station tomorrow at 1:00 pm. Mr. Dunlap will attend to talk about the township.

Mr. Dunlap added that he was contacted by a reporter from Bloom Township to talk about the Township on the air on Station 107.7 in Lancaster. The other two Trustees agreed for Mr. Dunlap to do this.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt and approve Resolution 2007-0221-01 - Zoning Amendment Case 11-ZC-2006 for 5 + acres on Basil Western Road owned by Mr. Wild. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2007-0221-01 is adopted.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt Resolution 2007-0221-02 - Zoning Amendment for Case 12-ZC-2006 at 7840 Hill Road to change from Single Family Residential Zoning to a C-2 Limited Commercial District. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2007-0221-02 is approved.

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Mr. Yaple presented Resolution 2007-0221-03- Zoning Amendments - Case No. 09-ZC-2006. Mr. Dunlap requested discussion in advance. He stated that at the last meeting the Resolution was three pages. There was an attachment and it shows that Section 28 on page 7 was deleted by unanimous vote of the trustees, however on page 2 of the actual resolution it is still there. Do we modify or table until the resolution comes back as corrected by the motion from the other time. Mr. Weltlich thought we had to table it until it is corrected. Mr. Dunlap moved to table Resolution 2007-0221-03 - Zoning Amendments - Case No. 09-ZC-2006. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2007-0221-03 is tabled.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt Home Rule Resolution 2007-HR0207-01 - Adopt Access Management Regulations. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers. Resolution 2007-HR0207-01 is adopted.

Mr. Weltlich congratulated Mr. Butcher on his hard work with this committee.

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Van Kannel presented the bank reconciliation from January of 2007 and the last paid payroll. He reported they picked up their first advance last week and will be monitoring. They will ask for another additional advance before the Auditors office closes their books.

Trustees Reports

Mr. Dunlap reported that the Bicentennial Committee moving right along. They have a group of about 17 - 22 people.

Trustees Out of Office Meetings

February 27, 2007 - 3pm annual meeting with the Fairfield County Engineer.
March 3, 2007 at Amanda Firehouse at 6pm - County Association Meeting

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

New Business

None

Mr. Myers made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carried.

Being no further business to conduct Mr. Dunlap moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Van Kannel, Fiscal Officer

Joniann Goldberg, Zoning Secretary

Approved By:

Gary P. Weltlich, Chairman

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Vice-Chairman

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

Date:_____