

# Violet Township Board of Trustees

March 21, 2012

Regular Meeting

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

Mr. Smith, Fiscal Officer called the roll: Mr. Myers, Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Weltlich were present. Other Township employees present were: Director of Operations, Bill Yaple; Township Engineer, Greg Butcher and Fire Chief, John Eisel.

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

**Mr. Weltlich moved to approve without public reading, the minutes of the Trustee Planning Session of February 21 and February 23, 2012. Mr. Dunlap seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. The Planning Session minutes of February 21, 2012 and February 23, 2012 are approved 3-0.**

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

**Mr. Weltlich moved to approve without public reading, the minutes of the Public Hearing of 3-7-2012 for Case no. 02-ZC-2011 and Case no. 01-ZC-2011. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. The minutes of the Public Hearing of 3-7-2102 are approved 3-0.**

## **Recognition of Guests and Public Comment:**

Mifflin Township Chief Fred Kauser and Trustee Lynn Stewart were present to talk about the upcoming 2012 MECC Consortium meeting. Chief Kauser hit on some brief highlights of the past few years. Today they are at 6 agencies strong and are currently operating at about 65% capacity which means they can expand another 30 to 35% capacity before they would have to add anymore staff. They process between 73,000 and 75,000 telephone calls a year and dispatch about 28,000 emergency calls per year. They are probably in the top 2-3% range in the state in terms of being able to meet the performance standards.

They came to us in 2005 and shared a hope that they could deliver and save us money and they have delivered on this and now what does the future look like.

Mrs. Stewart felt there are many things they have done and there is so much more to do such as cooperative purchasing and cooperative training. Mrs. Stewart invited the Trustees to a meeting on April 9<sup>th</sup>.

## **County Authorities:**

Chief Deputy Perrigo reported the 'Deputy of the Year' is Chris Walker.

Chief Deputy reported they are working on narrow banding their radios.

The escapee is back and the jail is full and this includes the new jail.

## **Departmental Reports**

### **Fire Department**

Chief Eisel reported they were gearing up for the tabletop disaster drill exercise this coming Friday. There will be representatives from Violet Township, City of Pickerington and the County EMA.

There is a charity basketball game for the Special Olympics on March 30<sup>st</sup> that the Fire Department and law enforcement personnel will be participating in.

They are currently doing a demo for the next 30 to 60 days (depending on the demand) of a lucrative automated CPR device that fits in a backpack and the device has been rejuvenated over the last several years.

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Mr. Weltlich commended Chief Eisel for getting the Doug Barr Safety Award reinstated.

Mr. Weltlich asked if Chief Eisel ever heard from Penn State. Chief Eisel said he had not. He did find information on their website and he sent them an inquiry.

Mr. Myers asked if there was any word on the new truck. Chief Eisel said he did receive an email. It is still looking like the third week of June.

#### **Township Engineer**

Mr. Butcher will attend the bid opening on March 30th for the VIO-29, FAI-TE197-2.589 Waterloo Road over a Tributary to Walnut Creek Bridge Replacement Project. Mr. Dunlap will not be able to attend. Mr. Butcher believes there may be 8 to 10 bids and some of those are subcontractors.

Mr. Butcher reported we try to stay diligent and efficient on trees that are dead or dying. There were a few trees on Lockville Road that needed removed and it looked like they may have been hit by lightning. We took those two down and two others down that looked distressed and we try to stay on top of this. Also on Waterloo Eastern there are three more that need removed. One is an 80-foot Oak tree that has been distressed for the last few years.

We did not advocate a whole lot of equipment purchases in the 2012 Planning Session. However they have identified two items; one is a sloping laser that allows us to maintain grade to plug in to the storm sewers. The other was a pressure washer – steam cleaner. They have had one for about 8 years and it shuts off randomly.

Mr. Weltlich asked where we stood with ODOT/Route 33 and Pickerington Road. Mr. Butcher said Mr. Bachman's comments were consistent with ours. To try to reduce any potential disconnect internally, Bill Yapple, John Eisel, Joy Davis and Mr. Butcher met on Monday. Good things came from the meeting. The goal is that we maintain a very concerned posture on the proposed 'right in right out' appearance. The traffic count data and it doesn't quite jive with what was presented during the meeting. It is about half of what Mr. Butcher was able to document at the County Engineers office. We are researching this and ODOT is taking traffic counts this week. In addition, Fairfield County will be taking traffic counts in that same corridor. Thirdly, we discussed how this might impact future development and Joy has a meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup> at District 5. Mr. Yapple said we would be collecting information and the document drafted. We think we will be disputing some information they had given us at Lancaster. The Trustees feel that Greg should attend this meeting with Joy.

**Mr. Dunlap said we need to consider the equipment that Mr. Butcher is asking for. Mr. Weltlich made a motion to purchase the pressure washer from Wilcox Equipment Company in the amount not to exceed \$7360.41. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion A2012-0321 passes 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to purchase the CTS-916 RLS Laser in the amount not to exceed \$3745.00. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion B2012-0321 passes 3-0.**

Mr. Myers asked about the water in front of the park on Busey Road. The water should go to the south. The outlet is pretty deep at the east end of the woods. They will ditch this area. He is not comfortable the way it is now. Mr. Butcher will consider Mr. Myers thought of possibly swailing the area. We need to be compliant with what we have committed to Canal Winchester and need to make sure we are on board with the grade plan.

Mr. Smith referred to the motion previously done for the pressure washer quote and said it included sales tax of \$465.41 and we could not pay that. He will reduce the motion by that amount.

#### **Director of Operations**

Mr. Yapple reminded everyone of the State of the County Luncheon on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

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**There is also the Trustees and Fiscal Officers Annual meeting on March 31 at the Service Center. Blue Moon is available for catering that event. It should be about \$11.50 to \$12.00 per head. Mr. Yapple has not heard back from any of the other Trustees in the County. Mr. Weltlich moved to hire Blue Moon Catering for the Trustee/Fiscal Officer event on March 31. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion C2012-0321 passes 3-0.**

We have classes scheduled for our Drug Free Workplace Training in May.

Mr. Yapple reported we have never been audited with NPDS permits with the EPA. He has had conversation with Chad and Jonathon who thinks Liberty Township will be audited; therefore they may look at some of our paperwork. The bigger thing is that we do not have a storm water utility. Mr. Yapple has had conversations and we had hoped the County Commissioners come on with us. We would activate it and move forward. The major study has been done and there were dollars and cents done in the study. There was talk how we would eliminate the stormwater districts in the county that are in the subdivisions and how we would buy them down. It will take some action by this board to get it implemented. Mr. Weltlich recommended Mr. Butcher and Mr. Yapple discuss this with Jeremiah Upp at the County.

Mr. Yapple had passed out information regarding the Chamber Event of honoring the late Assistant Chief Barr for the Safety Award next year.

We received information from Ohio Public Entity Consortium about our dental care. It looks like we will remain steady in cost for the next few years.

Mr. Yapple looked at 501-C3 information for sponsoring of an ad for the Pickerington Tigers. Mr. Morehart has not gotten back yet.

MORPC State of the Region is coming up on April 26 from 11am to 115 pm. Mr. Myers will be attending. We will share a table with Canal Winchester as we have in the past.

Everyone is ok with splitting the cost of the fireworks with the City of Pickerington. We are hoping to keep the cost in the neighborhood similar to last year of around \$10,000.00 but not to exceed \$12,500.00. They will announce elected officials on the stage that night at 7:30 pm. The parade is at 6:00 pm. Mr. Weltlich asked that a letter be sent to us discussing how the cost would be divided.

Mr. Yapple sent the information about RUMA to Mr. Morehart to review.

Mr. Yapple asked if anyone had any ideas for the Busey Road Park name. Mr. Dunlap recommended it be Violet Township - Busey Road Park- land provided by Greengate Farms.

Mr. Weltlich asked where we stood on the overlay zoning. Mr. Yapple said it has been pulled out; we have looked at it and it there has to be a few changes and is scheduled to be before the Zoning Commission in April. They will recommend it go to Regional Planning within 30 days.

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-0321-01 – Resolution to Amend the Zoning Resolution of Violet Township, Fairfield County, Ohio – Zoning Amendment Number 02-ZC-20-11. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2012-0321-01 passes 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-0321-02 – Resolution to Amend the Zoning Resolution of Violet Township, Fairfield County, Ohio – Zoning Amendment Number 01-ZC-2011. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2012-0321-02 passes 3-0.**

**Mr. Yapple explained this resolution was to agree to our financial obligation for 2012 Fairfield County Ortho Imagery Project of \$8,000 with total cost of the project being \$162,720.00. Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-0321-03 – 2012 Fairfield County Ortho Imagery Project. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call**

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**vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2012-0321-03 passes 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to waive fees for the fees for Fairfield County Historical Park. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, no. Motion D2012-0321 passes 2-1.**

**Fiscal Officer**

We continue to get funding. **The Fiscal Officer and Fiscal Officer Assistant's computer continues to lock up and Mr. Smith wanted to know if this was in the plan for 2012 and if it is not in the plan he would like it to be. Mr. Weltlich made a motion to include the Fiscal Officers and the Assistant Fiscal Officer's computers be purchased now. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion E2012-0321 passes 3-1.**

**Trustee Reports:**

Mr. Weltlich reported that he, and Mr. Yapple informed the Pickerington Senior Center they are going to replace their dry fire suppression system with the levy money. Mr. Weltlich urged Mr. Smith to attend one of their board meetings which are held the second Thursday of each month at 10:00 am.

**Trustees out of Office Meetings:**

March 29 - Fairfield Medical Center (Fairfield 33 Development Group)

March 27 - the State of the County

March 31 – Violet Township Service Center – Trustees and Fiscal Officers Quarterly meeting

**Old Business:**

None

**Tabled Business:**

None

**New Business:**

The next regularly scheduled meeting at the Violet Township Trustees will be Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at 7:30 pm at the Administrative offices.

**Pay Bills:**

**Mr. Weltlich made a 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.**

**Executive Session:**

**Mr. Weltlich made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:57 p.m. per the Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) to consider compensation of public employees. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion passes 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 9:30 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion passes 3-0.**

**Adjourn:**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion adjourn the regular meeting. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carried 3-0. The meeting stands adjourned at 9:30 p.m.**

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Christopher H. Smith, Fiscal Officer

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Joniann Goldberg, Administrative  
Assistant

Approved by:

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Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

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Harry W. Myers, Jr., Trustee

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Gary P. Weltlich, Trustee

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