

Violet Township Board of Trustees

May 16, 2012

Regular Meeting

Mr. Myers called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Mrs. Rochelle Menningen, Fiscal Assistant called the roll: Mr. Myers and Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Weltlich were present. Other Township employees present were: Director of Operations; Bill Yapple, Township 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 minutes of 5-2-2012. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; and Mr. Myers, yes. The minutes of the Regular meeting of 5-2-2012 are approved 3-0.

Recognition of Guests and Public Comment:

Mr. Myers presented a proclamation to Brittany Beeghley for winning the State Bowling Tournament in the State of Ohio.

County Authorities:

Chief Deputy Perrigo was present. All radios are being checked. The jail annex is working good. All the jails are full. They had 274 today and when they got to 305 they had to start sending them out of county. They had 85 females. They promoted two sergeants last week. Deputy Walker got chosen as Deputy of the Year at their Awards Ceremony. Firearms training is next week.

Departmental Reports

Fire Department

Chief Eisel reported they had an incident at Pickerington Central on the roof top where the HVAC unit produced smoke but the incident went well.

Chief Eisel will be attending the Ohio EMS Conference at the Columbus Convention Center on Monday, May 21st.

Chief Eisel reported the next week on May 22nd is the last Drug Free Workplace meeting at Station 592, Tyler's Light meeting on May 24th and then the following week starts insurance renewal meetings.

Chief Eisel reported they are in the planning phases of the National Safety Health and Survival week which is June 17 through June 23rd. They will do all their activities as they have in the past on June 19th, 20th and 21st.

Chief Eisel presented a resolution for the Physio Control Maintenance Agreement for their defibrillators; Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 23012-0516-01 – Physio Control Maintenance Agreement. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2012-0516-01 passes 3-0.

Chief Eisel presented a seconded resolution to authorize replacement of sprinkler system piping at Station 592. The work will be done by South Central Power and is not to exceed \$15,000. Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2012-0516-02 – Authorize Replacement of Sprinkler System Piping at Station 592. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2012-0516-02 passes 3-0.

Chief Eisel asked for a motion to pay for performance periods for the year 2011. Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Motion A2012-0516 – To Pay for Performance Periods for the year 2011. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap asked if this was part of the contract and wondered if we needed a motion. Mr. Weltlich said we always historically had. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, no. Motion A2012-0516 passes 2-1.

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Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher reported last Wednesday the community had a Bike to School day as part of National Bike to School Day. Prior to the event they counted a total of 20 to 30 bikes at the three schools (Fairfield, Harmon and Diley Middle Schools). There were about 150 – 160 bikers that day. All three bike racks at each school were full and they had two Pickerington Police Officers, two Fairfield County Deputies, two schools participated, Mr. Yapple participated as well as the Safe Routes to School Committee. Mr. Yapple added that he thought it was a very good event and there were no negative comments.

Mr. Butcher mentioned the Pelotonia Event on August 11 and 12. The roads in Violet Township that they will ride on be on are Wright, Bowen, Diley, Schoolhouse, Hill, North Center Street, Stemen, Pickerington, Ault, Blacklick Eastern and Wagram. Mr. Butcher will be attending a meeting about the 'kickoff' of this event on May 17.

There is a rain barrel workshop on Saturday May 19th at the Service Center that Fairfield Soil and Water will be putting on.

Soil and Water will be giving the Road Department some training next Wednesday in weed control spraying.

Mr. Butcher explained he is very close to having the paving program put together. He feels the more time we spend on the document the better scope we have and better pricing we get.

Mr. Myers asked if the ditch in front of Busey Road Park was complete. Mr. Butcher said it was not as he was waiting for it to dry out. The water is out for the most part but it needs re-graded and seeded.

Mr. Yapple asked if we were going to be participating in the State Salt Purchase Program. Mr. Butcher reported that since the last Trustee meeting we received our annual notice of the states intent to bid if we want to participate and go through the process. We have filled our facility as well as the City of Pickerington's old facility that they no longer use. We are very close to the maximum amount we can store so we will likely have to pay American Rock Salt to store the remaining 400 tons that we have at a cost of \$5/ton. We have to notify them by May 31st of our intent. Details are still being worked out with the City of Pickerington and we should be able to save money by partnering with them. Mr. Butcher is thinking the foregoing circumstances leads us not participating to not participating in the State contract for 2012-2013.

Mr. Butcher reported the Waterloo Bridge has been demolished. Sandstone has been removed and trees have been cut down. Foundations are being excavated and formed.

Mr. Yapple had some final documents for the Waterloo Bridge to be signed.

Director of Operations

Mr. Yapple reminded the Trustees of the Violet Grange events for June 11th at 7pm. Mr. Myers and Mr. Yapple spoke about the Grange monument last week. The thought was to take out some of the drive thru pavement. It is too close to the right of way now for it to be moved forward according to Greg Bachman at the City of Pickerington. Mr. Weltlich suggested Chief Eisel appeal to Mr. Bachman regarding the moving of the monument. Mr. Yapple will also have to call Admiral Flag to see about moving the flag pole.

The last session for employees and supervisors for the Drug Free Workplace is Tuesday, May 22, 2012.

Mr. Yapple needed a motion for the final change order for the front office work. We added \$1253.00 to caulk the stone copings. They were power washed and cut out all the joints and re-caulked them. This was completed today. We had a net decrease for the carpet of \$1302.00.

The contract is about complete for 4 E. Columbus Street. The contractor is scheduled to start work June 1st.

The security system is back on the old security system.

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Mr. Yaple reported the RUMA agreement with the state office was passed by the Senate yesterday afternoon. It is in the House. It was recommended by Senator Schaeffer that we call our representatives and talk about how they should approve this road maintenance agreement. Senator Schaeffer thinks there will be some amendments to it. A 'point' person in each township would be the negotiator. There are some drafts going around but legislation doesn't mandate them. Mr. Yaple is waiting on information to see if there is mandating on this bill that it needs to be in place before the Ohio Department of Natural Resources giving them the permit to drill. This is the key to getting this done.

Mr. Yaple has received two proposals for the office carpet and is still looking at samples and quality.

The Director for the Assistant of Health Directors of all the counties spoke in favor of not taking it out of the county's budget. Her statement was there are 26 counties in the state of Ohio that have a general health district that this will affect. Mr. Yaple is not sure we will have much chance of getting this changed.

Mr. Yaple had proposed layout for the signs for Busey Road. Mr. Yaple is checking into a recycled sign and waiting to hear back.

The Trustees would like to increase in building and zoning fees by 30%. The last time we raised rates was about 3 years ago at which time they were raised about 10%.

There will be a viewing and hearing on June 12th at 9 am for the property located at 7665 Jefferson Woods. They will be doing some embankment work just below Jefferson Woods. Mr. Butcher will attend this.

Mr. Yaple reported this is the worst year we have seen as far as vacant properties in the Township. We have sent at least 78 letters to property owners in the last 30 days. We have also sent several emails to banks asking for help maintaining the vacant properties. It has been a problem because we have to get them on a schedule and once we get them on a schedule then it's good.

At the next meeting we will be bringing some 505 actions on mowing of lots that we have continued to mow over the last few years. This will allow us not to have to go through that long process to get them mowed and we can get them mowed more often. It will allow the Trustees to request they be mowed more than twice.

Mr. Yaple mentioned the sprinkling system at the Senior Center. The problem is if we do a total replacement the pipe in from the street is not big enough.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to authorize Mr. Yaple to sign a change order with Central Ohio Building Company. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion B2012-0516 passes 3-0.

Fiscal Officer

Assistant Fiscal Officer Rochelle Menningen sat in for Fiscal Officer Christopher H. Smith who was out of town. Ms. Menningen reported the department had gotten their new hardware installed by Keytel. Ms. Menningen and Mr. Yaple are looking at Wycom alternative for the check writing system. Ms. Menningen reported the tax budget will be worked on in June and will be presented to the Trustees the first meeting in July.

Trustee Reports:

None

Trustees out of Office Meetings:

None

Old Business:

None

Tabled Business:

None

New Business:

The next regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, June 6, 2012 at 7:30 pm.

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Pay Bills:

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to pay the bills. Mr. Weltlich seconded the motion. 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. Weltlich seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion passes 3-0. The meeting stands adjourned at 8:50 pm.

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: _____