

Violet Township Board of Trustees

September 17, 2008

Regular Meeting

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

Mr. Smith called the roll and Mr. Dunlap, Mr. Weltlich and Mr. Myers were present. Other Township employees present were: Greg Butcher, Township Engineer; William Yapple, Director of Operations; Fire Chief and Kenn Taylor, Fire Chief.

Mr. Dunlap 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 our public safety officers here at home.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Trustees meeting of September 3, 2008 without public reading. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Minutes approved.

Recognition of Guests:

None

Public Comment:

None

County Authorities:

Chief Deputy Perrigo was present. He reported that the festivals, parades and air shows are nearly over with. They rented Ohio Valley for their fire arms training. They have gotten some new cruisers in service.

The election board is looking for places to park vans a few days before the elections. The Sheriffs office told them they could use the Violet Sub Station unless the Trustees tell them otherwise. They need a place that is out of the weather. The Trustees agreed with using the Sub Station.

Departmental Reports:

Fire Department

Chief Taylor presented the following resolutions:

Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2008-0917-01 – MECC Grant. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2008-0917-01 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2008-0917-08 – To Accept, with Regret Full Time Firefighter Resignation. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2008-0917-08 is adopted 3-0.

The officers will start the interview process next week to replace John Schwinne.

Chief Taylor reported several of his men were deployed to Louisiana assisting most of their time spent assisting Baton Rouge Fire with the calls to the community. This is a very depressed area. Our guys were working 12 hour shifts.

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The emergency declaration that Louisiana issued ran out Monday night. The next morning they were moved to Alexandria and have not utilized since then. They should be home around 11pm tomorrow evening.

Mr. Myers asked if things had been quieted down since the storm on Sunday. Chief Taylor stated it had considerably.

Township Engineer

The Violet Township Service Center is moving along and is on schedule. They have a progress meeting tomorrow.

Regarding the 2008 pavement maintenance program, Mr. Butcher was told that Shelly will get to us as soon as time allows.

We have had conversations with the Shelly Company and they said we should see them in the next week or so to start our 2008 paving and repair project.

Mr. Butcher gave an update on the storm activity thus far and staffs response to calls we have been getting. We have been telling residents to put the limbs at the curb, no larger than 6-8" in diameter. This is progressing well and we are getting a very favorable response from the community. Mr. Butcher asked if we wanted to expand this to County roads and state routes. Mr. Yapple stated this could be 'property generated brush and not right of way generated brush. Mr. Yapple suggested posting information on the website.

Mr. Myers asked about FEMA reimbursement. Mr. Butcher stated there was a declaration that was similar to the 'snow event' but this was strictly for overtime and at a contracted expense. Mr. Butcher does not foresee a lot of involvement from Violet Township. Mr. Yapple suggested posting information on the website.

Mr. Butcher reported we submitted two Issue 2 grant applications on September 5th. One for Jefferson Drive culvert replacement and for Mingo Estates Infrastructural improvements Phase 2.

Safe Routes to School second round for funding application process has begun. We are going to 'tweak' our strategy a bit.

Mingo Estates repairs are completed in Phase 1. Mr. Butcher went out with the sub contractor to go over the deteriorated areas that needed removed or replaced. They used different curing compound this time.

Mr. Dunlap suggested in the future we might look at the mix ratio and curing compound and spec that so we know we won't have this problem. Mr. Butcher stated there was a lot of discussion in the engineering/contractors world relative to this.

Mr. Weltlich suggested to get together and develop accelerated tests to qualify and get away from all the other stuff.

Mr. Weltlich asked if Busey Road Realignment project was complete. Mr. Butcher stated it was done but not signed off. There is another day's worth of work to be done.

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Director of Operations

Mr. Yapple reported we had 3 single family permits for the month of August at \$949,451 in construction evaluation for a total of 20 for the year and a total construction cost of \$5,955,161.00 for the year. We had 4 other permits for the month. We had 1 commercial permit for the month for a total of 7 commercial permits for the year. Through August of 2007, we had 34 single family permits.

Mr. Yapple stated we have a contract with South Central Power and will have a resolution for approval for the Eastchester street lighting.

Mr. Yapple will meet with Wanda Carter for the fifth district court of appeals on the Snider Thornton case. This will be oral argument.

The Dog Park people received some pledges. They are moving forward with some fund raising issues and to form a 501-C3.

Mr. Yapple attended a board meeting at the Pickerington Senior Center. They are working towards their levy that will be on the November ballot. They are looking at a \$134,000 budget next year without the levy which will most likely be short. They are looking for \$40,000 from Meals on Wheels next year.

Our carpets will be cleaned on Saturday, September 20th.

Dragonpro software will be installed on September 24th.

There is a proposed change for sick leave for the non-bargaining employees.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2008-0917-05 – Authorize Director of Operations to Sign Agreement with South Central Power. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2008-0917-05 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2008-0917-06 – Revise Current Annual Sick Leave Conversion Policy. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2008-0917-06 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt Resolution 2008-0917-09 – Ordering the Destruction of Noxious Weeds at 6652 Ohio Canal Court. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2008-0917-09 is adopted 3-0.

Fiscal Officer:

Mr. Smith reported our audit has not been closed and there had not been any update since the last meeting.

We have not heard anything new from OP&F. Mr. Smith will hear something next week.

Mr. Myers moved to adopt Resolution 2008-0917-02 – Accept the Amounts & Rates as Determined by the Fairfield County Auditor Budget Commission & Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies & Certifying them to the County Auditor. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2008-0917-02 is adopted 3-0.

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Discussion: Mr. Smith stated he is he still waiting on clarification from the County.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt Resolution 2008-0917-03 – Supplemental Appropriations. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2008-0917-03 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2008-0917-04 – Transfer of Funds. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2008-0917-07 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2008-0917-07 – Adopt Credit Card Policy. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2008-0917-07 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich reported he and Joy Davis attended the annual Japan Midwest USA conference in Milwaukee. He stated it could not have been better. They made a lot of contacts with various Japanese organizations.

Home Rule Resolutions:

None

Motions to Be Considered:

None

Trustees Out of Office Meetings

Mr. Yapple reported that on September 30th everyone is invited to the groundbreaking ceremony at Mount Carmel Hospital from 5:30 to 7pm. A written invitation will be sent to everyone's home.

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

New Business

None

Mr. Weltlich moved to pay the bills. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Smith, Fiscal Officer

Joniann Goldberg, Administrative Assistant

Approved By:

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Chairman

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Vice-Chairman

Gary P. Weltlich, Trustee

Date:_____