

## Violet Township Board of Trustees

**November 7, 2007  
Regular Meeting**

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

Mr. Yaple called the roll and Mr. Dunlap, Mr. Myers, and Mr. Weltlich were present. Other Township employees present were: Greg Butcher, Township Engineer and Kenn Taylor, Fire Chief. Also present was Kelly Sarko, Zoning Inspector and Bill Loveland, Township legal council. Mr. Van Kannel was absent.

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. Dunlap moved, seconded by Mr. Myers to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2007, Regular Meeting without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Minutes approved.**

**Mr. Myers moved, seconded by Mr. Dunlap to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2007 Public Hearing for Case No. 03-ZC-2007 without 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. Dunlap to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2007 Public Hearing for Case No. 05-ZC-2006 without reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Minutes approved.**

### **Recognition of Guests:**

Donald Smith of 11876 Pickerington Road was told to hold his comments to the Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

### **Public Comments**

None

### **County Authorities**

Sheriff Dave Phalen was present. Sheriff Phalen reported the Community Watch volunteers are going through the second part of the training at the Violet Sub Station. Everyone has gone through background investigations and they will not have any police authority. By the middle of December they should be out.

Since July they have had a serial burglar that has hit between 2-4:30 am and has hit 59 houses. Two suspects have been arrested.

### **Fire Department**

Chief Taylor reported they have completed the installation of two tornado sirens in the Township. The first one went in at Pickerington Elementary at Long and Diley and the second one went in at Refugee and Pickerington at the South Central power sub station corner. Another one will be going in next week at the south edge of Huntington Hills just off Stemen Road. Chief Taylor commended the County for their assistance and Mr. Yaple for all his help with everything.

The bathroom remodel is complete at Station 1.

They have been going through a lot of training in the last month.

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Chief Taylor attended his first board meeting for the International Association for Fire Chiefs in Washington D.C.

They received a phone call from Senator Voinovich's office stating our Fire Act Grant that was applied for this year was approved. They had put in for \$29,000.00 to put diesel, exhaust, and emissions removal equipment in the buildings. We were approved for \$26,202.00 and our share will be \$2900.00. Chief Taylor attributes a lot of the success to Dave Belcher and Jim Holcomb for their part in being reviewers for the prevention grants. Mr. Weltlich asked Chief Taylor to draft a letter commending Mr. Belcher and Mr. Holcomb.

There were no accidents to report of. Chief Taylor will get a year-to-date report for Mr. Weltlich on the accidents.

Norm Hopkins of 11300 Milnor Road wanted clarification on open burning on private property. Chief Taylor stated he would need to contact the EPA to get the rules.

### **Township Engineer**

Mr. Butcher reported he had a meeting with the design firm, ADR regarding Busey Road realignment. His goal is to get this bid by the end of the year.

The Allen Road railroad crossing is now functional.

We have been approved for \$60,000.00 in programs for the CDGB Grant of which we are responsible for \$30,000.00.

Mr. Butcher believes Stonecreek Drive should be open within the next few days.

Mr. Butcher spoke to District 5 regarding the Safe Routes to School application. We should hear something by the end of the year. There were only four applications submitted to ODOT.

Mr. Weltlich asked about getting with the County Engineer regarding the walking zone on Stonecreek bridge. Mr. Butcher and Mr. Yapple met with the County Engineer and they did not get this resolved. Mr. Yapple stated when they do the handicap sidewalk down Stonecreek next year they will make a paved path and will stripe it and do some things across that bridge. This will be done by next summer.

**Mr. Dunlap moved to recess the regular Trustees meeting and go into the scheduled Public Hearing for Case No. 03-ZC-2007 at 8:00 pm. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carried.**

**Mr. Dunlap made the motion to close the public hearing portion of the meeting and reconvene to the Regular Trustees meeting at 8:45 p.m after a 5-minute recess. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carried.**

### **Director of Operations**

Mr. Yapple had given the Trustees information on the Central Ohio Stormwater & Erosion Control Expo to be held March 13, 2008.

The annual banquet for Fairfield County Association of Trustees & Fiscal Officers is Sunday, December 9 at 6pm at the Lancaster Inn.

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Mr. Yaple had a Certification of Achievement award for Eagle Scout Joshua Fridley for the Trustees signatures.

We have been asked to participate and sponsorship by the Violet Township Bicentennial Holiday Home Tour for a \$500 sponsorship.

We had a letter of appreciation from the City of Pickerington for our help during the closure of SR256 on Thursday, October 25, 2007.

A letter has been sent to the Attorney Generals office requesting an opinion on expenditures of General Funds for Road and Bridge.

We have two requests for liquor permits for the Meijers store going in on Diley Road. They are asking if we want a public hearing or not. **Mr. Dunlap moved that we do not have a public hearing. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion A2007-1107 passed.**

We had two single family permits for the month of October at \$828,495.00 in construction valuation for a total of 41 for the year with a total construction cost of \$15,556,662.00. We had 5 other permits for the month. We had 2 commercial permits for the month for a total of 16 commercial permits for the year. Through October of 2006, we had 57 single family permits.

Mr. Yaple had information from Insurance Services Organization, the insurance rater for the property and casualty insurance industry. The rate for Reynoldsburg and Violet Township came in as a '3'.

MORPC will be putting on a summit on Sustainability & the Environment November 13 and 14.

We have not gotten the deeds cleared up for the Pifer property yet. Those should get recorded in the next few days to the school and then we will be able to do our split to bring it back to the Township.

No decision from the Commissioners on Tollgate Road.

There was a request from the Senior Center for \$10,000.00.

Mr. Yaple has heard nothing from Judge Martin on the injunction.

Mr. Weltlich asked where we stood with the Senior Center Monitoring System. Mr. Yaple stated it would cost about \$4,000.00 to do the installation of the system and put a low voltage control box in to send to a monitoring company.

Mr. Weltlich asked Mr. Yaple about the Public Hearing for the JEDD. Mr. Yaple stated that every entity has to hold a public hearing. **Mr. Dunlap moved to schedule a public hearing at the earliest date possible to comply with the public notice timeframe. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion B2007-1107 is passed.**

**Mr. Dunlap moved to join 2008 Clout Membership for \$200.00. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion C2007-1107 is passed.**

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**Mr. Myers moved to sponsor the Violet Township Bicentennial Holiday Home Tour by the Pickerington Lions Club for \$500. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion D2007-1107 is passed.**

**Mr. Myers moved to adopt Resolution 2007-1107-01 – To Set Date for Annual Employee Banquet to be held on Friday, December 7 at noon to be held at Station 2. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2007-1107-01 is adopted.**

**Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2007-1107-03 – To Appoint Certain Staff Members to Receive Public Records Training as Elected officials' Designees. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2007-1107-03 is adopted.**

**Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt Resolution 2007-1107-04 – Authorize Ohio Fire and Safety to Begin Work for Senior Center. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2007-1107-04 is adopted.**

**Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2007-1107-06 – Donation of \$10,000.00 to Pickerington Senior Center. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2007-1107-06 is adopted.**

**Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt, with regrets, Resolution 2007-1107-08 – To Accept Resignation of Justin Bramel, Part Time Road Maintenance Worker. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2007-1107-08 is adopted.**

**Fiscal Officer**

**Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2007-1107-02 – Transfer of Funds. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2007-1107-02 is adopted.**

**Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2007-1107-05 – To Increase Appropriations and Make Supplemental Appropriations. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap. Resolution 2007-1107-05 is adopted.**

**Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt Resolution 2007-1107-07. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2007-1107-07 is adopted.**

Mr. Yapple presented the last two payrolls for signatures.

**Trustees Reports**

None

**Trustees Out of Office Meetings**

None

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**Old Business**

None

**Tabled Business**

None

**New Business**

None

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

**Mr. Dunlap moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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Jim Van Kannel, Fiscal Officer

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Joniann Goldberg, Zoning Secretary

Approved By:

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Gary P. Weltlich, Chairman

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Harry W. Myers, Jr., Vice-Chairman

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Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

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