

Violet Township Board of Trustees

November 18, 2009

Regular Meeting

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

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

Mr. Myers asked the audience to join with him in the Pledge of Allegiance and to remain standing for a moment of silence.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Trustee's meeting of November 18, 2009, and without public reading. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. November 18, 2009 Regular Minutes approved. 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt the minutes of the Trustees Public Hearing of November 18, 2009. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. November 18, 2009 Public Hearing Minutes approved 3-0.

Recognition of Guests:

None

Public Comment:

None

County Authorities:

Chief Deputy Perrigo was present. They are still meeting with the Health Department on the H1N1. They will have one at the River Valley Mall in Lancaster. This will just be for tier one.

Mr. Dunlap asked about the day reporting center in West Virginia. They think over half of our population is related to the germ problem. Get them into a treatment program. The ADAM Board would supply counselors. They would have to report here for training and education. The Judges have to agree to this. They are putting together a comprehensive plan to try to convince the Judges to accept and to convince the Commissioners to help fund it.

Departmental Reports:

Fire Department

Chief Eisel reported he attended the National Association of Firefighters Conference in Los Angeles last week and said it was phenomenal. It dealt with health and safety issues. It was very well attended. He will put together a short presentation and share with our organization in the future. He showed a prototype of a lighter air and pack. It is very revolutionary. The field testing will have a feedback process and should be done sometime in February of 2010.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1118-05 – Purchase Mobile Reporting Equipment for Fire Department. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-1118-05 is adopted 3-0.

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Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher reported they are continuing traffic counts. Mr. Butcher said they are now preparing their equipment to get "ahead of the curve" this year for when the snow comes.

Mr. Butcher reported he and Mr. Yaple attended the public viewing on Waterloo Road in the same area of the bridge that has been talked about for the last few years. There was much discussion about the safety of this area. There is some resident concern about the speed on the road. The County Engineer said they would be happy to look at the roads for signage, speed control and evaluate the history and conditions of the road.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1119-06 - Request County Engineer to Perform Safety Evaluation of Existing Conditions on Waterloo Road for Safety Considerations. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2009-1118-06 adopted 3-0.

Director of Operations

Mr. Yaple reported we had 0 single-family permits for the month with a total of 9 permits for the year and a total construction cost of \$2,814,000.00 for the year. We had 6 other permits for the month. We had 5 commercial permits for the month for a total of 10 commercial permits for the year. Through October of 2008, we had 20 single-family permits.

We have re-filed with the City of Pickerington Zoning Commission for the Dog Park. Mr. Yaple will be attending a meeting on December 8th at 7:30 pm. We have changed the fence to a vinyl coating and dropped the bridge and put a culvert in with some nice guardrails that will appear to look like a bridge when done.

Mr. Weltlich will attend a collaborative summit on transportation within the County on Friday, December 20th.

We have been working for several years on cemetery funds. The prosecutor is reviewing some documents and will be doing a resolution. We have to transfer the fund to the City of Pickerington. It may take another month or two to get through this and at that point it should be complete.

Mr. Yaple said we have agreed to vacate a 10 foot section within Busey Road of an open ditch and asked the Trustees if we want to keep the name the same on both sides. Or do we want one place and one terrace or. His personal thought would be Busey Place would be fine on both of them as it does not really make a difference. There will be no residents on the north portion of this. At this point the address will be identified by "Busey". The Trustees agreed it would all be "Place." The house numbers will not change.

Fairfield Soil and Water have completed all the requirements for Ohio EPA as far as walking the streams within Violet Township. It has not completed most of the area south of Kings Crossing area. That was not part of the requirements. However, they want to do the rest next spring to identify discharge points etc. Mr. Weltlich asked if we would get results in a survey and Mr. Yaple stated we would.

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Mr. Yapple reported Hill Road will be closed the week of hat on November 23, through November 30th to replace the culvert between Courtland Lane and Meadows Blvd. Chief Eisel stated they will be working 24 hours a day to get through this project.

Mr. Yapple shared a map of the proposed EMA for a possibility of two more sirens for the community. The suggested locations would cover Jefferson Farms, Woodstream and a good bit of the Industrial Park. This will cover a good portion of the highly populated areas. It looks like it will take 5 to 6 more sirens to cover 100% of the Township.

Mr. Yapple will ask Mr. Kochis to draw us in and map out enough area to cover the blank areas.

Mr. Weltlich mentioned that at the last meeting there was discussion that Mr. Rafeld was going to write a letter to the residents regarding the buffer zone is being killed by the large trees in the residents' back yard. Mr. Yapple will get him copies and he has a letter from legal counsel as to the issue of the buffer which he will get to the residents.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1118-01 – Authorize Health Insurance Payments. Seconded by Mr. Meyers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Meyers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-1118-01 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1118-02 Authorize Vehicle Activated Equipment. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion: Mr. Weltlich asked Mr. Smith if this was going to come out of the General Fund or the Building Fund. Mr. Smith said the building fund. Mr. Weltlich asked if there was enough in the fund to cover and Mr. Smith said there was. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-1118-02 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1118-07 – Resolution to Amend the Zoning Resolution of Violet Township, Fairfield County, Ohio. Discussion: Mr. Weltlich asked how the access issues that we raised are being handled. Mr. Yapple said it would be coming through when they do a permanent plan for access points with the County. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-1118-07 is adopted 3-0.

Home Rule Resolutions:

None

Motions to Be Considered:

None

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Smith reminded the department heads that the appropriation budgets are coming up.

After meeting with Mr. Yapple we will put aside 3 years of funds into General Bond Retirement to pay for our note.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1118-03 – Supplemental Appropriations. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr.

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Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-1021-03 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1118-04 – Transfer of Funds. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-1118-04 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1104-09 – Transfer of Funds. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-1104-09 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich asked Mr. Smith about the fund status and if we really have the amount in the checking account that was shown. Mr. Smith said we did and Mr. Weltlich also asked how long it would be before he invested it. Mr. Smith said it largely depends on National City because we have had troubles with them approving his ability to wire the funds. It has been about 6 weeks to get this done. It is Mr. Smith’s intent to get this taken care of once and for all. We are almost through the process.

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

Trustee Reports:

Mr. Weltlich went to the public transportation forum with Cristie Hammond of the City of Pickerington. They asked what we would recommend for improvement. We did not have any suggestions as we have not really participated yet.

Trustees Out of Office Meetings

None

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

New Business

Mr. Weltlich reported that Mr. Yapple gave the Trustees information from Janine Ostrandors asking for support against Senate Bill 162 and House Bill 276. He suggested we authorize a letter be written to our representatives opposing these two bills.

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 passed 3-0.

Executive Session

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Employee Issues per the ORC Section 121.22 G-1 & G-4 – to include Director of Operations, Fire Chief and the Fiscal Officer. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carried 3-0 at 8:30 p.m.

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Mr. Myers made a motion to come out of Executive Session 8:53 pm. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Being no further business to discuss Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher H. Smith, Fiscal Officer Joniann Goldberg, Administrative Assistant

Approved By:

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Chairman

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Vice-Chairman

Gary P. Weltlich, Trustee

Date: _____