

Violet Township Board of Trustees

March 17, 2010

Regular Meeting

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

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

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 Trustee meeting of March 3, 2010 and without public reading. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. March 3, 2010 Regular Trustee meeting minutes approved. 3- 0.

Recognition of Guests:

None

Public Comment:

David Williard of 9631 Taylor Court was present regarding Veterans Memorial at the Violet Cemetery. He appealed to the Township Trustees for a donation to the Memorial. Mr. Weltlich asked how much funding they had received so far. Mr. Williard said they received a total of \$7,500.00. The City of Pickerington provided \$2,500.00. Mr. Yapple reported that the cemetery is a 501-C3. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to contribute \$2500.00 to Logan Monument. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion A2010-0317 is adopted 3-0.**

County Authorities:

Chief Deputy Jerry Perrigo was present. He shared that they had a presentation on AVL (automatic vehicle locator) for their police cars. He thought it was very impressive. This will be on all of their cars. With the new laptops in the cars now it is the first time in his 9 years that they have up-to-date crime stats. There is still no funding for the new jail facility.

Departmental Reports:

Fire Department

Chief Eisel reported Diley Ridge is up and running. They have had several runs there already.

Chief Eisel handed out some press releases regarding the 2010 Blue Coat Award that Lieutenant Greg Eisenacher received; one about changing batteries in smoke detectors when the clocks move forward and finally a press release on the EMS Revenue Program Revenue Recovery Program.

The Chief is recommending the following purchase to make field repairs as needed and make services as needed in the facilities.

Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0317-02 – Purchase Fleet & Facilities Service Vehicle. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Discussion: Mr. Myers asked if this was ‘ready for the road’ and Chief said it was. Roll

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call vote: Mr. Myers yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0317-02 is adopted 3-0.

The Chief had another resolution to appoint Kris Haley (who is part of our IT team at Keytel).

Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0317-03 – To Appoint New Volunteer Firefighter. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0317-03 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich asked about the status of the EMS program. Chief Eisel has spoken to the prosecutor and has made recommendations and changes. He hopes to have this wrapped up within a few weeks.

Mr. Weltlich inquired about the status of the lifting device. Chief Eisel said it was still in research & development.

Lastly Mr. Weltlich asked about “pay for performance” program revisions. Chief Eisel was supposed to have a meeting but it got pushed back. He hopes to meet this Friday.

Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher has been busy patching potholes.

Mr. Butcher reported we have received formal notification from District 17 that we were funded for Issue one Busey Road Culvert Replacement project. We were not funded for the Stonecreek Drive Improvements project. He is assuming there will not be a mid year funding cycle like they had last year.

Pavement bids are due March 24th. We have had some increased interest.

On occasion, Violet Township uses their personnel in the cleanup of accidents, spills, etc, within the Township right of way. The equipment rates provide a mechanism to assist in recouping our costs. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0317-04 – To Adopt Hourly Rates for Township Owned Equipment. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Discussion: Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0317-04 is adopted 3-0.**

Mr. Dunlap asked if we get copies of reports from the Sheriff on accidents that require stop sign replacement. Mr. Butcher said we usually get contacted. He has requested that a report be automatically be triggered to us.

Mr. Weltlich asked why we did not get funding for the Stonecreek Drive Project. Mr. Butcher said it was based on the point system and total contribution from the Township.

Mr. Myers said he received a letter in his box from the County Engineer regarding culvert replacement on Busey Road plan corrections that need to be completed. Mr. Butcher said he did also and had already spoke to Adam Lanier about them.

Director of Operations

Mr. Yapple said he received a phone call from FEMA regarding the floodplain boundary issues that will be held next week at Regional Planning. They sent a few press releases but there was not press present this evening. Bottom line is when we get all the maps and have reviewed them, we will have to send information to the property owners that it may affect and who it will affect. He did

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say there is a meeting about flood insurance at 2pm at the Liberty Center on the same day.

Mr. Yapple received an email from Jason Heitmeyer. We did a motion last year that says we will be donating them \$3,000 this year for the Violet Festival.

Mr. Yapple has nothing back from the County Engineers office regarding lot splits on Busey Road.

We have some cell phones that are excess equipment to us. There is a firm that will take them and hands them out for emergency 911 calling. We have 10 phones that need to go out.

Mr. Yapple signed the last agreement with Insight this week for our interconnect abilities.

Mr. Yapple put flyers in the Trustee boxes from OTARMA talking about increased benefits that have increased over last year that will come at no charge.

Mr. Yapple attended the records training session. He will have a certificate for all three Trustees. There are some changes to go through and look at some things. There has been some change in emails policy. This is not in the policy that we can delete voice mails in the system. Mr. Yapple would also like to consider (set a period) when you want to destroy the meeting tapes. We would need to write up a new retention schedule, send it to the state for approval and then the Historical Society approves it and then you can go back and pick everything up. We will revise everything all at once. General paperwork is now 2 years after audit. Mr. Yapple will put together some recommended changes and will present to the Trustees.

Mr. Myers asked if Mr. Yapple had looked into, if we need to be going to another Board of Health for our services. Mr. Yapple has not done this yet but will work on this.

Mr. Myers will be out of town on March 29, 2010 – the day of the Board of Health meeting. Mr. Yapple will be out of town as well. Mr. Dunlap will fill in and attend this meeting.

Mr. Yapple will not be at the next Trustees meeting as he will be on vacation. Mr. Dunlap asked if Mr. Yapple could try to get an answer about the Board of Health question Mr. Myers had.

Mr. Weltlich asked if the Sheriffs contract was complete. Mr. Yapple is waiting on answer from Mr. Landefield. The issue is now does it have to go to the Commissioners for approval because they are going to get money.

Mr. Weltlich asked what the distribution of the FEMA funding is. Mr. Yapple said it was in the Lancaster Eagle Gazette.

Mr. Yapple reported Planet Aid would like to place a box at our Maintenance Facility beside the recycle trailer. They take the shoes and clothing and it is used for earthquake victims and such. The Trustees agreed to try it out and if it does not work we will stop it.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0317-01– Declare Excess Equipment. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion: Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0317-01 is adopted 3-0.

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Home Rule Resolutions:

None

Motions to Be Considered:

None

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Smith reported we have not heard any more about when our audit will begin.

Mr. Smith will be interviewing three different banks to replace our current bank. Our BMV record request last year cost us \$2 a piece. This year it costs us \$5 a piece. Mr. Yapple said we had to do a request for a 3 year look back this time.

We have one new vendor called Page Wolford and Werth, an attorney firm where Chief Barr ordered some Hippa items from them.

Mr. Dunlap asked if there was anything the Trustees could do to expedite getting the paperwork they need for the meetings before the meeting instead of in the middle of the meeting. Mr. Smith will work with Mr. Yapple to improve our operation logistics on getting this corrected.

Trustee Reports:

Mr. Weltlich has a formal scheduled meeting with ODOT, Peggy Hatem and Mr. Starr but has been unable to confirm this with Mr. Starr.

Mr. Dunlap reported he is working with Chief Perrigo and Chief Eisel and all have been working with the Legion on the Viet Nam War Memorial that is coming this fall. Our committee has a route planned and it is just a matter of finalizing some things. A lot of our plans are contingent upon what other committees do.

Trustees Out of Office Meetings:

Chamber of Commerce Luncheon – 3-18-2010

State of the School – 3-22-2010

Old Business:

None

Table Business:

None

New Business:

None

Pay Bills:

Mr. Yapple made note of the Great Lakes Petroleum bill of \$13,000.00. This was due to the inclement weather we had in February and the Road Department used about \$8,000.00 of this fuel bill.

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

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carried.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher H. 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: _____