

Violet Township Board of Trustees

July 7, 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: John Eisel, Fire Chief; Doug Barr, Assistant Chief; Bill Yaple, Director of Operations and Greg Butcher, Township Engineer.

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 June 16, 2010 and without public reading. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. June 16, 2010 Regular Trustee meeting minutes approved. 3- 0.

Recognition of Guests:

Mr. Dunlap presented members of Post 283 from the American Legion with a donation of. The Township donated a check for \$5,000.00 to the American Legion Post 283 for the Traveling Viet Nam Wall/Memorial to be here from November 10 through November 15, 2010.

Public Comment:

Rob Little of 12263 Butterfield Drive was present. Mr. Little thanked the Trustees for listening to his traffic concerns over the last three meetings. After speaking to several more residents he does not feel they will get anything more accomplished than what they already have. He is still interested in hearing the results of the traffic study. Mr. Dunlap mentioned we are still working on getting the signs for 'slow children at play'. Mr. Yaple said they come from Franklin County Department of Health and he is trying to find out where they buy them. Mr. Dunlap said they are looking at signs that are currently in the City of Pickerington like a campaign sign that says speed limit 25 this is our neighborhood and we are trying to make these available to our residents. We are trying to find a source for these for people to put in their yards.

County Authorities:

None

Departmental Reports:

Fire Department

Chief Eisel reported Jim Holcomb's pending retirement created a vacancy. Don Searls has accepted this position to transfer to Fire Prevention.

Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0707-04 – Hire Firefighter/Paramedic. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0707-04 is adopted 3-0. Mr. Dunlap swore in Eric Taft.

Chief Eisel reported he had a resignation for a resignation on Volunteer Firefighter Shawn Hinterscheid decided to pursue other avenues. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0707-02 – Firefighter Resignation. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes;**

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Mr. Dunlap, yes with regret and wished Mr. Hinterscheid best of luck in his future endeavor. Resolution 2010-0707-02 is adopted 3-0.

Chief Eisel presented the last resolution for reclassifying Don Searls from fire to Fire Prevention because of Jim Holcomb's official retirement. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0707-03 – Reclassification of Firefighter. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0707-03 is adopted 3-0.**

Chief Eisel passed out a flyer for Jim Holcomb's retirement party to be held July 15. Mr. Dunlap said this was the same day as the Sheriffs picnic.

Fourth of July festivities went fine.

Mr. Weltlich asked if Chief Eisel had visited Orange Township to look at their Smart Board System. Chief Eisel said he took Chris Haley, our IT consultant who had conversation with their IT guy. We were able to come home with some good ideas not only with Smart Board but some video conferencing things they are working on.

Mr. Weltlich asked if Chief Eisel had heard any results on Tim White's hearing. Chief reported he had unofficially. Chief said Mr. White is supposed to have a letter this week from the pension group.

Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher had just gotten back from vacation. Mr. Butcher told Mr. Little he did have the traffic counts and when he gets them finalized he will communicate the information to him.

We have our agreement from the Ohio Public Works Commission to begin work on the culvert replacement on Busey Road. Mr. Butcher spoke to the contractor and he is to get his vendors on board. Mr. Butcher will follow up with him.

Last meeting there was discussion on a storm sewer collapse in Glenshire. Since that meeting they have replaced about 70 feet of pipe. It was a tough job. Residents seem to be pleased. The rest of the pipe needs to be replaced also. We need to talk about the landscaping and also talk to the property owners about the easement. Mr. Butcher will have an update at the next meeting.

The stimulus project for the County started this week. The project changed a bit. The County had Wagram being completely milled from north to south. He revised that and they did butt joints at the intersection. Mr. Butcher did not see the need to do the whole intersection. Our paving is done. Our roads took a huge hit this winter and there was significant number of repairs. We may have to do some re-appropriating to cover the cost of the contract.

Mr. Weltlich asked how many signs Mr. Butcher put out in the Woodfield neighborhood. Mr. Butcher said they painted (5) 25 mph's on the two entrances to Refugee Road, the entrance from Harmon and the entrance from Grandon north and south. They also have three or four target enforcement signs and still have to order some 'slow children at play' signs.

Mr. Weltlich asked when the Ball Bank tests for Waterloo Road would be done. Mr. Yapple sent an email and the County is not done. Mr. Yapple will contact them again to get a date.

Mr. Weltlich asked if Mr. Butcher had a date in mind to repair the ramps at Station 1. Mr. Butcher wants his staff to patch this or they can contract someone

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to come in and do the same thing. Mr. Butcher has ordered the material that he feels would work. He is comfortable with his staff doing it and it is a matter of finding the time to do it. Mr. Weltlich said it needs to be leveled and needs to get drainage.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to close the regular Trustee meeting and go into the Public Hearing for the 2011 Preliminary Tax Budget. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to continue the Preliminary Budget Hearing to Monday, July 12, 2010 at 1:30 pm. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote:

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to return to the Regular Trustee meeting at 8:25 pm. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap said there were a few potholes on Ault Road just as you get to SR204 going north bound south of where they paved that he would like Greg to look at.

Mr. Yapple commented that the one culvert pipe that was replaced – we will have to go between those houses and it needs to get into Greg's budget. We need to go another 100 to 150 feet to get to the headwall. If it crushes we will have a real problem.

Mr. Butcher said one option would be to unload the pipe by removing some of the dirt over it. We need to look at this on a regular basis.

We will need to have discussion with the property owners regarding the landscaping. Mr. Butcher did make it clear to the residents what might have to happen. Mr. Butcher said they have been good to work with but they have not lost any of their landscaping yet.

Director of Operations

Mr. Yapple had handed out information regarding upcoming Disaster Assessment training to be held September 15, 2010 to be put on by Fairfield County Homeland Security.

There will be a reception on July 14th for the new City Manager at Park Alley from 4 to 6 pm.

There will be more than one Trustee at the Fairfield County Association of Trustees and Fiscal Officers banquet on July 10th at 6pm.

Mr. Yapple received information from Loveland and Brosius regarding recent changes in state laws in housebills 393 and 449. There are some changes. Bill 393 is about abatements which we are working on for Mamie Drive. We will be there for the first cleanup on Thursday of this week.

Mr. Yapple recommended \$350 to sponsor a band at the Canal Winchester Labor Day Festival.

Mr. Yapple reported he has ordered plumbing parts for the sub station. The electrical work there is done.

On July 14th from 4 – 6pm there is an update plan for Walnut Creek. There will be comment sessions at Canal Winchester Community Center.

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Mr. Yapple received information from the County Commissioners that there will be a public hearing on August 3 at 11am for some of the street names in Countrywood Subdivision for Shenandoah Circle and Shenandoah Drive on Chateau Drive respectively. There is no consistency. Mr. Yapple will get a map so he can show the Trustees where Shenandoah Drive stops; where Circle stops and where Chateau Drive is. Mr. Butcher suggested putting the information on our website to notify residents when the hearing is and what it is all about. Several questions still need to be answered.

Mr. Yapple met with Mr. Rafeld regarding the Dog Park. A few more changes were made such as the location of the fire hydrant and fencing. One of the Trustees can sit down with them to see if they concur with what they are doing. Mr. Dunlap suggested Mr. Myers do this.

Mr. Yapple received the engineering changes back to give to Mr. Butcher to review on the Busey Road Park so he can forward on to Canal Winchester.

Two bids were received and opened for the 1998 Ford Taurus. One was \$1819.20 and other was for \$850.00. The highest bidder won.

Mr. Weltlich asked about Grange Insurance. Mr. Yapple reported that on June 30th we finally got OTARMA to take the insurance. We will get a bill and this will be passed on to the Grange.

This is a housekeeping resolution to set the speed limit. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0707-05 – Establish Prima Facie Speed Limit – Woodstream Section 4 Phase 2. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2010-0707-05 is adopted 3-0.**

This is also a housekeeping resolution to set the speed limit. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0707-06– Establish Prima Facie Speed Limit – Violet Meadows Section 4 Phase 1. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2010-0707-06 is adopted 3-0.**

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0707-07 – Ordering the Destruction of Noxious Weeds on Property Located at 20095 Wright Road Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0707-07 is adopted 3-0.

This is at the Community Lighthouse Church. **Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0707-08 – Ordering the Destruction of Noxious Weeds on Property Located at 9670 School House Road. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2010-0707- is adopted 3-0.**

Mr. Yapple explained the last resolution was a petition to annex into the City of Pickerington. We are objecting because of the signatures on the petition we believe does not reflect the correct property owner. Under the annexation law there are several points we can object to and this is one of them. We only have until this Friday to file so this is why it has to be done tonight. The Commissioners are required to hear the case within 30 to 45 days of the filing on June 11th. Sometime between July 11 and the end of July they have to hear it. We think it might be July 19th or 26th that the Commissioners will hear it. **Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0707-09 – Resolution Objecting to Petition to Annex 47.460 Acres, more or less, in Violet**

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Township, Fairfield County, to the City of Pickerington. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0707-09 is adopted 3-0.

Home Rule Resolutions:

None

Motions to Be Considered:

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to sponsor \$350 for the Canal Winchester Labor Day Festival. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion A2010-0707 passes 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to accept the highest bidder for the 1998 Ford Taurus. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, abstained. Motion B2010-0707 passes 2-0.

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Smith had a resolution for some housekeeping items. Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0707-01 – Supplemental Appropriations. Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0707 is adopted 3-0.

Trustee Reports:

Mr. Weltlich attended a meeting for the Public Transit action committee. They will be setting goals. Things seem to be coming together nicely.

Trustees Out of Office Meetings:

The City Manager reception is on July 14th at Park Alley and Saturday, July 10 6:00 p.m. at Rock Mill in Bloom Township for the County Trustees and Fiscal Officers.

Chief Eisel reported that on July 15 the Pickerington Chamber of Commerce will honor Jim Holcomb with a Safety Award.

Old Business:

None

Table Business:

None

New Business:

None

Pay Bills:

Mr. Myers made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Myers made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

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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: _____