

## **Violet Township Board of Trustees**

**September 1, 2010**

### **Regular Meeting**

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

Ms. Menningen called the roll and Mr. Dunlap, Mr. Myers and Mr. Weltlich were present. Other Township employees present were: John Eisel, Fire Chief; Assistant Chief Doug Barr; Bill Yapple, 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 August 18, 2010 and without public reading. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. August 18, 2010 Regular Trustee meeting minutes approved. 3- 0.**

**Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt the minutes of the Special Trustees Work Session on 8-18-2010 and without public reading. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. August 18, 2010 Special Trustees Work Session minutes approved 3-0.**

**Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt the minutes of the Public Hearing for non-maintained Joy Avenue meeting of August 18, 2010 and without public reading. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. August 18, 2010 Public Hearing minutes approved. 3-0.**

#### **Recognition of Guests:**

None

#### **Public Comment:**

None

#### **County Authorities:**

None

#### **Departmental Reports:**

##### **Fire Department**

Chief Eisel referred to a picture of an auto accident that happened this morning on Diley Road where a pickup truck went left of center and stuck a car in the driver's side rear wheel and cut it in half. The remaining of the front part of the car had to be cut apart. The driver was transported to a level one trauma center. As far as we know the driver will survive. Chief emphasized the importance of seatbelts.

Chief Eisel spent last week at the International Chief Conference in Chicago. They are working on an issue, nationwide referring to the "D" block. There is a fortune 10 megahertz radio spectrum that is up for auction. All of the public safety forces have banded together to get congress to move and remove the 10 megahertz from public auction and make it a site for public safety nationwide. It would allow interface across the US. If we were in an extremely technical rescue

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we could actually get live video from the scene. We will do everything on a local level that we can to support this effort.

Open House for the Fire Department will be October 10<sup>th</sup> from 1 – 3 pm.

Chief Eisel had two housekeeping resolutions to present to the Trustees. The first one deals with the maintenance contract for our lifepak monitors and batteries and support systems. This would extend the current maintenance agreement for another year and this includes battery replacement. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0901-01 – Physio Control Maintenance Agreement – Lifepak Monitors, Defibrillators & Battery Support Systems. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0901-01 is adopted 3-0.**

The second resolution was for the same contract for the automated defibrillators and batteries that we have in all the trucks. **Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0901-02 – Physio Control Maintenance Agreement – Automated External Defibrillators and Batteries. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0901-02 is adopted 3-0.**

Mr. Weltlich referred back to the 'D' Block program and wanted to know what percent of the capacity is represented by this. Chief will find out. Mr. Weltlich said that the public safety organizations might be able to ask the government to set aside a portion of this instead of the whole 'piece of the pie'. Chief stated his understanding was that if this did not get done now it probably will not.

Mr. Weltlich asked what the status was with Smart Board. Chief said they had a purchase order to get it ordered and installed as he wants to make a fall/winter training project out of it.

Lastly, Mr. Weltlich asked if Chief had met with Greg Bachman about the Pickerington Road and Basil Western Road intersection. Chief has given this directly to the City Engineer. Chief just wanted him to look at the data and the intersection and make recommendation. Chief thinks he might have been confused as he was going to get with the County Engineer. Chief said his intent was to just get his input. Pricing for flashing lighted stop signs seems to be about \$1500 per sign. Chief wants to get with Mr. Butcher and include him in the process. Once they have all that then Chief will present his case to the County Engineer.

**Township Engineer**

Mr. Butcher reported the Busey Road Culvert Replacement project will begin after Labor Day. The contractor will close the road. Advance Road Closed Signs were put up today. A press release is out. Mr. Butcher is sending out a letter to all residents who reside on Busey Road between Hill and Pickerington Roads.

We will have a public information meeting between now and the end of the year on Safe Routes to Schools. There was much discussion regarding the new sidewalks that will be installed at the various parent/teacher nights. Mr. Butcher expressed to them how much he would appreciate any support they could give us in a public forum.

Mr. Butcher had emailed the Trustees regarding some issues with ODOT such as the median on Taylor Road exit ramp, thru drive signs along US 33 and, signage around the Hill/Diley Interchange. According to the ODOT Fairfield

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County Manager, Canal Winchester has been given approval to proceed with installation of the signage.

Mr. Butcher reported he and Mr. Yapple are looking at different locations for tree removal. All of the trees are huge and close to the road. We have the respective property owner's permission to take these trees down. There will be minimal closure if any closure. Mr. Yapple said two of the trees are more expensive than the others because of location. They will have to use a crane for the bigger trees. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to move forward on removal of four trees. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, abstained. Motion B2010-0901 is passed 2-0.**

Mr. Butcher said we have always said we have always reached out to the adjoining jurisdictions for different things. The City of Pickerington has a backhoe problem that Mr. Butcher just found out about. He was making the Trustees aware that they do have a need for repairing the backhoe and we will work through the logistical issues of assisting them.

Mr. Myers said it had been brought to his attention that the mechanics work for the Township and they do have at different times use their own personal tools on township equipment. This could create an issue. They may not want to use their own personal tools on City equipment. Mr. Butcher will talk about this with his crew.

Mr. Weltlich discussed the email he received from Mr. Butcher about ODOT and the Taylor Road off ramp. Discussion ensued regarding drafting a formal letter to send to ODOT regarding the Township's concerns.

Lastly Mr. Weltlich asked if there was anything new with the Glenshire storm sewer rollover. Mr. Butcher reported that he has talked with the utility company and they want a set of approved drawings. Mr. Butcher just got the drawings from Regional Planning this week. Mr. Myers asked if all the potential failures had been in one particular section. Mr. Butcher said no there are two adjacent sections.

**Director of Operations**

Mr. Yapple reported on the letter that was written in support from Ohio Dept. of Development to the fiber project that Mr. Myers had asked about. It was sent August 13<sup>th</sup>.

We have a request to waive a fee in conjunction with a Conditional Use Application. The gentleman has a Cleaning company. He has employees but they do not come to his home and it is part of the Conditional Use that he has to get through. The variance to the code states he cannot have employees. So they are asking for a variance because he has employees but they are offsite. He is asking to waive one of the fees. The variance and conditional use is all one hearing. Mr. Dunlap asked if he won't have any employees in his house why he was asking for a variance. Mr. Yapple said because he says he will not have employees in his home but he does have employees off site. **Mr. Weltlich made a motion to waive the variance fee. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, no. Motion A2010-0901 is approved 2-1.**

Carrie Woody of Lancaster Public Transit will be at the September 15<sup>th</sup> meeting to discuss funding of the transit with the Trustees.

Mr. Yapple spoke to Liberty Township and Delaware County regarding Greenpack and asked if there were costs to them to become a member and they said no.

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They did get help in having someone come in and analyze their utility bills. Then can save about \$8000 in electrical costs with a recommendation from the carbon footprint that was done at no cost to the Township. They also felt they have asked folks to reduce usage of utilities, recycle more and reduce run off or erosion which is part of the greenpack agreement. They took a lead in their community and joined. We are beginning to do that in our community. We encourage recycle usage. Mr. Yapple hopes to discuss a resolution to do something at the next meeting.

Plumbing work is done and need to complete railing at the Sub station.

Mr. Yapple met with the architect regarding the Dog Park. We have a construction cost that we estimate will be a \$77,000.00 total expenditure. This overall total may come down depending what is decided about the fence. Mr. Yapple will meet with someone on the Dog Park Committee to see what their commitment will be.

Busey Park drawings are now at Canal Winchester to say yes or no on the corrections. Mr. Yapple hopes to have an answer within the next week or so.

**Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2010-0901-03 – To Authorize the 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 2010-0901-03 is adopted 3-0.**

**Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2010-0901-06 – To Notify Property Owner to Cut and Destroy Weeds owned by DBI Land Co. in Winding Creek. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2010-0901-06 is adopted 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2010-0901-07 – To Notify Property Owner to Cut and Destroy Weeds owned by Diyanni Brothers, Inc. in Winding Creek. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2010-0901-07 is adopted 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2010-0901-08 – To Notify Property Owner to Cut and Destroy Weeds at 8971 Winding Creek Way. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2010-0901-08 is adopted 3-0.**

**Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2010-0901-09 – To Notify Property Owner to Cut and Destroy Weeds on Winding Creek Lots 186, 187 and 189. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2010-0901-09 is adopted 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2010-0901-10 – To Notify Property Owner to Cut and Destroy Weeds on Winding Creek Section 5 Part 1 Lot 197. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2010-0901-10 is adopted 3-0.**

Mr. Weltlich asked Mr. Yapple the status of the 'blue pool' was. Mr. Yapple stated he will be drafting up a letter.

Mr. Weltlich also asked about the noise issue at Club 33. Mr. Yapple said that he and Mr. Dunlap will meet with the Prosecutor to see why the City Prosecutor and the municipal court judges are not honoring the written tickets and our code.

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**Home Rule Resolutions:**

None

**Motions to Be Considered:**

None

**Fiscal Officer**

Mr. Smith reported his first resolution was a 'housekeeping' issue and the second had to do with switching financial institutions to Huntington Bank.

**Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0901-04 – Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Fairfield County Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying them to the County Auditor. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2010-0901-04 is adopted 3-0.**

**Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-0901-05 – Approve Memorandum of Agreement for Deposit of Public Funds. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Discussion: Mr. Weltlich asked what criteria he used to make the selection. Mr. Smith said that they interviewed the three institutions and the Huntington will charge us less and give us the best 'return on investment'. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2010-0901-05 is adopted 3-0.**

**Trustee Reports:**

Mr. Myers reported on a tape he had from the Ohio Township Association that was done back in the 1950's. He had asked the Ohio Township Association if they had anything more up to date. They said they did not but they were going to make one. Kaitlin from the Ohio Township Association asked if the Township would help supply locations, equipment and personnel to do the video. She will be contacting Mr. Myers in the next week or so.

**Trustees Out of Office Meetings:**

The Trustees will be in the Labor Day Parade in Pickerington. The ice cream social is September 12<sup>th</sup> from 2 – 4 pm at the Pickerington Public Library.

September 9<sup>th</sup> from 530 to 730 two or more Trustees will be at the EMA Open House in Lancaster.

**Old Business:**

None

**Table Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Over 390 floodplain letters all went out.

**Pay Bills:**

**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 3-0.**

**Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carried 3-0.**

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Christopher H. Smith, Fiscal Officer

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Joniann Goldberg, Administrative Assistant

Approved By:

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Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Chairman

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Harry W. Myers, Jr., Vice-Chairman

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Gary P. Weltlich, Trustee

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