

Violet Township Board of Trustees

July 20, 2011

Regular Meeting

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

Fiscal Officer, Christopher Smith called the roll and Mr. Weltlich, Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Myers were present. Other Township employees present were: Director of Operations, Bill Yapple; Township Engineer, Greg Butcher and Battalion Chief Kenn Taylor.

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 our public safety officers here at home. A silent prayer was optional.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Trustee meeting of 07-06-2011. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. The Regular Trustee minutes of 07-06-2011 are approved 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt the minutes of the 2012 Tax Budget Public Hearing meeting of 07-06-2011. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. The Public Hearing Minutes of the 2012 Tax Budget are approved 3-0.

Recognition of Guests:

Gary Taylor, President of the Pickerington/Violet Township Historical Society was present. Mr. Taylor explained they are located in the old Carnegie Library and they share the building with the Pickerington Food Pantry. The building is the second or third oldest building in Pickerington as it was built in 1916. The building is starting to show wear and tear and there has never really been a serious plan for renovation and they feel it is time to have a plan for the future. The facilities manager for the City of Pickerington was present. Mr. Taylor passed out a packet for the Trustees. The City has budgeted \$60,000.00 for this project. Mr. Taylor asked the Trustees to consider becoming a part of this plan. Mr. Dunlap asked if Mr. Taylor had a timeline he would like the Trustees to consider. Mr. Taylor said the City has contracted items 4, 5 and 6 and will be starting on the stairway in 4 to 6 weeks. The Trustees will get back with their decision after the Fiscal Officer gets back to them.

Public Comment:

Jeremiah Upp of 1307 Hickory Ridge Drive, Lancaster, Ohio was present. He will be running for Fairfield County Engineer and wanted to introduce himself.

County Authorities:

Chad Lucht, Urban Specialist from Fairfield Soil and Water Conservation District – 831 College Ave., Lancaster, Ohio was present to talk about Storm Water Management/BMP Facilities Maintenance Agreement for adoption. Mr. Lucht explained that we are required (by the Ohio EPA) to complete Phase 2 permitting. This brought about the construction sites greater than 1 acre. They had to have erosion control measures and part of that first generation of permits the Township had to develop individual erosion control regulations and did not necessarily go through the subdivision review process. In 2008 long term maintenance of post construction practices was added into the mix. These fall under the County maintenance program. Mr. Lucht said one of the things he got from the seminar he attended is that we are lax on the post construction of water quality structures. Mr. Lucht proposes an agreement between the Township and the development to ensure those post construction practices are inspected on a

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regular basis and that they do maintenance to ensure the practices are done properly. This can be anything that does not necessarily go through the county sub division process. This agreement is between the Township and the developer for that particular property.

Mr. Dunlap asked if the corrections had been made on the agreement. Mr. Yaple said that we added 'township designee' in paragraph 5 and our Law Director was good with this change.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0720-09 – Storm Water Management/BMP Facilities Maintenance Agreement. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2011-0720-09 is adopted 3-0.

Departmental Reports:

Fire Department:

Battalion Chief Kenn Taylor filled in for Chief Eisel.

Chief Taylor reported he had three (3) resolutions for consideration. The first was for turn out gear. We purchase anywhere from 10 to 15 sets a year. This year the request is to purchase 11 sets of turnout gear on the state term contract pricing and the cost per gear is \$1902.00. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0720-01 - Turn out Gear Purchase. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2011-0720-01 is adopted 3-0.**

Purchasing 3 more computers will totally cycle all of our computers over the last 8 years. The grand total for the whole package for 3 laptops as well as 4 docking stations (so we will have a spare). **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0720-02 – Mobile Vehicle Computer Purchase. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2011-0720-02 is adopted 3-0.**

Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0720-03 – Repairs at Station 592. Chief Taylor said there were repairs that needed done at Station 592. We had a leak from the sprinkler system and there was mold. To mitigate this we met with a few contractors. Also we have met with the insurance company who has already paid us for those repairs. **Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2011-0720-03 is adopted 3-0.**

Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher reported the things going on in his department are that of a 'routine' nature. In February they identified a budget of \$500,000.00 for paving. In June they bid the paving project to the Shelly Company. Mr. Butcher had emailed the Trustees about three main areas they had discussed this year: about 2 miles in Woodsfield, two miles on Stemen and a little over 3 miles on Allen Road. Mr. Butcher said that between him and Mr. Dunlap they have nailed it down to a few options for this year. One is hot mix asphalt in Woodsfield and cold mix asphalt on Allen and Stemen Roads. There is a \$50,000.00 difference with the two approaches. Shelly has a window of opportunity within a week or two. We strive to get this work done prior to school opening. Mr. Butcher would like to have a scope on the direction the Trustees want to go. He presented safe travels for our residents, treatment that the roads require, smoother surface, looks better, quieter ride and is what we have been accustomed to for the last 15 to 20 years, the city, county and state do on their main roads. The cold mix has a slightly rougher surface. Other jurisdictions are going back to the cold mix because of

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cost purposes. The difference in price between the hot and cold mix is about 20% less expensive for the cold mix. The hot mix is about \$70,000 and cold is \$50,000. Cold mix on Stemen and Allen and hot mix in Woodsfield would be approximately \$500,000.

Mr. Weltlich stated his concern is he would like to see us put down alternative paving as a test so that we can get out of this 'subjectivity' as he would like to get into a 'quantitative rationale' and he would like to have a comparison and do some test strips. Mr. Yapple stated because of the differences that the comparative should say we will take this road and do these things with it.

Mr. Butcher needs to ask the question if doing a test strip for three different applications would mean all different equipment and would this affect the cost.

Mr. Dunlap asked if we had talked to Pickerington about them reimbursing us for the pavement section on Stemen Road from Center Street, east to the corporation line. Mr. Butcher said we had not but we could ask the question.

Mr. Myers wanted what Mr. Butcher's recommendation was which was one of the two options to get the project done within the \$500,000 cost.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to use cold mix on Allen and Stemen Roads and hot mix in Woodsfield. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes'; Mr. Weltlich, no. Motion A2011-0720 is approved 2-1.

Director of Operations

Mr. Yapple reported that Carrie Woody had requested funding for 2012 as she is getting ready to apply for a grant and looking for local funding sources so she can apply in August/September timeline. Ms. Woody will be asking for dollars. Last year we gave \$10,000, the Senior Center gave \$5,000 and the City of Pickerington gave \$10,000.

Mr. Yapple reported we had 1 single family home for the quarter which gives us 6 single family homes for the year. We have done 13 commercial permits for the quarter and 14 for the year. A good bit of this was for school permits. Then we had 24 other permits for the quarter for a total of 41 other permits for the year. New construction value for commercial was \$18 million and single-family home is \$1,1700.00 for the year to date.

The church at the corner of Toll Gate and 204 is asking for permission to close Toll Gate Road on Saturday, August 20th. They want a community day event outside and want to use their parking lot and church grounds. Mr. Yapple did not give them a whole lot of hope of that happening. Mr. Yapple and Mr. Butcher discussed this and they feel there would have to be signage at Refugee, at Pickerington Road and at Saylor Road and there would have to be a lot of pre-warning devices. The opposite on 204 you would have the same problem and it may take as many as 6 or 7 message boards ahead of time. Mr. Yapple will send a letter and suggest a special duty deputy with a cruiser for that day to eliminate any possible mishaps and that the Trustees will not agree to close Toll Gate Road.

The Grange is getting ready to erect their memorial. It is similar to what they originally proposed. It has already been approved. It meets the criteria that they were given. Mr. Dunlap asked if they had gotten approval from the City. According to Mr. Ricketts he had talked to Joe Henderson and he thought there were no problems and he was about to issue the permit.

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Mr. Yaple had given out a multi-page document that was highlighted by the Ohio Township Association talking about things in the state budget that was passed last June. Mr. Weltlich asked if they created a health care plan by June 30th. Mr. Yaple said they had not as far as he knew. There are still conversations going on.

We have begun plans and specs for the East Street Columbus Street building renovation. The rough draft should be ready for our review in the next ten days.

CERT training is coming up in August at Station 592.

The Violet Festival Parade is Friday, July 29th at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Yaple hopes to have the cost for the architectural work on our reception area sometime next week.

Mr. Yaple received a letter from a concerned resident in the Chevington Woods North sub division. He was concerned because the civic association is spending money to fence the Pickering Young cemetery in the Chevington Woods sub division. The homeowners association has been maintaining this cemetery since Bill has been there. Mr. Yaple talked to Mr. Ricketts about it and he said the Civic Association said they would mow it and take over the maintenance of it. The Trustees passed on the maintenance to the board of Trustees of the Chevington Woods Homeowners association. The gentlemen that made this complaint has pointed out that Ohio Law says that the Board of Trustees have the power to and are obligated to take care of this, however the Board of Trustees may also pass that on to another board, being the Homeowners Association in this particular case. Mr. Yaple will write a return letter to this resident with the help of the prosecutor.

The Friend's of the Dog Park want to have a grand opening. They are talking about Saturday, August 13th. Mr. Myers has a problem with that date. Mr. Myers suggested August 14th in the afternoon. Mr. Yaple will check with the Dog Park folks to get a firm date.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0720-04 – To Notify Property Owner to Cut and Destroy Weeds on 6655 Waterloo Road. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2011-0720-04 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0720-05 – To Notify Property Owner to Cut and Destroy Weeds on 6652 Canal Curt, Chester Heights Lot 16. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2011-0720-05 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0720-06 – To Notify Property Owner to Cut and Destroy Weeds on 10668 Winchester Road, Chester Heights Lot 17. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2011-0720-06 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0720-07 – To Notify Property Owner to Cut and Destroy Weeds on 9385 Busey Road. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2011-0720-07 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0720-08 – To Notify Property Owner to Cut and Destroy Weeds on 10095 Wright Road

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Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2011-0720-08 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Myers asked the Trustees to consider making a donation to the Doug Barr Scholarship Memorial Golf Outing \$1000. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion B2011-0720 is approved 3-0.

Fiscal Office

Ms. Smith reported they have quite a few investments that will mature in the next week to 10 days. He will report on this at the next meeting. We have also started getting our advances from our second half of our taxes in. Also, we have our Budget Hearing set for Monday, August 1st at 3pm.

Trustee Reports:

People are using the Dog Park.

Mr. Weltlich attended a Pickerington City Council meeting and one of our citizens, Rocco Sabatino appeared. He is absolutely against the joint planning agreement because it would usurp the property rights of the citizens of Violet Township and Pickerington. There were not enough council members to vote anything through.

Home Rule Resolutions:

None

Motions to Be Considered:

None

Trustees Out of Office Meetings:

July 29th Violet Festival Parade. Mr. Yapple will find out if the Trustees will go up on the stage. There may be Trustees attending opening festivities on July 27th.

Old Business:

Mr. Weltlich made a plaque from a letter the Trustees wrote to Karen Mantia.

Tabled Business:

None

New Business:

None

Pay Bills:

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Discussion: Mr. Weltlich asked about the Loveland and Brosius bill and why it was high again. Mr. Yapple said it is due to a couple court cases we have been working on. Mr. Myers asked about the attorney working on the Policy Manual. Mr. Yapple said this is still being worked on and they had to do another change due to there being a federal labor law change in the health care bill. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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

Approved By:

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Trustee

Gary P. Weltlich, Trustee

Date: _____