

Violet Township Board of Trustees

July 6, 2011

Regular Meeting

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

Assistant Fiscal Officer, Rochelle Menningen 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 Fire Chief John Eisel.

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 06-15-2011. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. The Regular Trustee minutes of 06-15-2011 are approved 3-0.

Recognition of Guests:

Greg Bachman, City of Pickerington Engineer of 12281 Mallard Pond Court, Pickerington, Ohio 43147 was present to discuss SR256 Safety Grant Application for improvements. Mr. Bachman was asking the Trustees for a letter of support to be sent to ODOT for the safety improvements on SR256. They will be submitting a grant to ODOT next month for this project. Mr. Dunlap asked if this would include any improvement to this Stonecreek 256 interchange (particularly out here in the right turn lane). Mr. Bachman stated it would widen that out. They will also put sidewalks on the bank property.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion for the Trustees to write a letter to ODOT supporting the City of Pickerington's Safety Grant Application for the SR256 Corridor from I-70 to Diley Road. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion A2011-0706 is passed 3-0.

Public Comment:

None

County Authorities:

None

Departmental Reports:

Fire Department:

Chief Eisel thanked everyone for continued support and prayer for the Birdwell family.

The next Red Cross Blood Drive is July 28th from 1 to 7pm at Station 592.

The fourth of July fireworks went off without a hitch. The crowd was the biggest crowd Chief Eisel had ever seen. Mr. Dunlap added this was by far the biggest attended parade ever in his years of being in the parade.

Chief Eisel reported he was appointed to the Red Cross Board of Directors for Fairfield County.

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Chief Eisel also handed out flyers for the Doug Barr Memorial Golf Outing to be held September 16th. They also plan to form a scholarship from that in Doug's name. Brett Bowen will be heading this up. Mr. Weltlich asked Chief Eisel to have Brett call him regarding awards for this event.

Chief Eisel had a resolution for the 2000 Road Rescue Medic that was declared surplus. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0706-04 – Authorize the Sale of Excess Equipment to Shawnee, Ohio. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2011-0706-04 adopted 3-0.**

Chief Eisel reported he had received both of the proposals for the strategic planning of the fire department in the future and would like to proceed as quickly as possible. The maximum proposal was \$6,000. **Mr. Myers made a motion to authorize Chief Eisel to arrange a contract for the strategic planning of the fire department in the future up to a cost not to exceed \$6,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, no. Motion B2011-0706 is approved 2-1.**

Chief Eisel stated he would have some items for the next meeting for repairs as indicated from water damage at Station 2. Chief Eisel is also working on continuing their mobile data computer replacement.

Mr. Myers asked about a completion date at Station 1 for the exit from the second floor on to the plaza. Chief Eisel said they got behind because of the weather and he does not have a completion date yet.

Mr. Dunlap asked about the parking and he asked Chief Eisel to follow up on this to see if there is an issue on this project because as Mr. Dunlap understood it from a board member on the Historical Society they had someone come in to do some repairs to the building and he thinks they said that the south wall had a bow in it. Mr. Dunlap wondered if this would be connected to the barricade and if so they would have to do some repair to the wall. Chief Eisel will check into this.

Mr. Weltlich went through the MECC data and asked if Chief Eisel had any discussion with any of his colleagues about a joint cooperation on health insurance. Chief Eisel said there was some interest and they will meet again on Thursday. Mr. Weltlich is willing to have a formal meeting but Chief Eisel needs to find out if there is the interest.

Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher reported last week bids were opened for the 2011 asphalt paving program. Mr. Butcher was discouraged as there were only two bids; Shelly Company and Decker. The upside is our 'in place' asphalt price is just under \$3.00 per ton less this year than it was last year. We have 12 or 13 unit prices and have identified some areas. Mr. Butcher is in the process of putting some programs together and it will be formalized. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0706-08 - To Award Contract for 2011 Asphalt Pavement Maintenance. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2011-0706-08 is adopted 3-0.**

Mr. Butcher encouraged everyone to drive the rectangle and the connectivity points on the sidewalk in Summerfield as it is really taking shape and getting utilized. Mr. Butcher feels the end result of this project will be a major positive for the kids.

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We have kept up with the mowing between the office, shop, cemeteries, road right of ways, parks, empty lots, private lots and such and Mr. Butcher is very pleased with the way equipment has been maintained. For such a small staff we mow an awful lot of grass. Stemen Road has a few areas that we have looked at and talked about regarding drainage. There is a small sink hole condition and there is a drop off so we will look at this. He wanted to share this in case of any phone calls. He hopes to come up with a plan to replace some old clay field tile and make the ditch safer.

Also, on the south ends of the township on Amanda Northern Road north of Winchester Road, between Winchester Road in the dead end the ditch is filling in and it is a storm water maintenance issue.

Mr. Weltlich asked about the Waterloo Road Bridge. Mr. Butcher has not heard anything. He believes the last correspondence was a telephone conversation 3 weeks ago and Mr. Baird indicated the plans were close to being complete and close to circulating for signature. Mr. Butcher offered to hand carry for expediting of trustee signatures. Mr. Butcher envisions a widening and some guard rail and embankment work and is sure that the County will have to have some conversation with the residents on this and Mr. Butcher does not believe this has occurred. Mr. Butcher will follow up on this.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to recess the regular trustee meeting to go into the Public Hearing. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to come out of the Public Hearing and go back into regular session at 8:03pm. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Director of Operations

Mr. Yapple reported on the renovations at 4 E. Columbus Street. They went through the items that would help seal up the exterior of the building. He received a proposal for a guesstimate of close to \$80,000 for roofs, new coping, repair the exterior masonry, broken block (including glass and glazing in the front and entrance door on east side. . Mr. Weltlich asked if Mr. Hughes' letter of June 29 supersedes his letter of June 17. Mr. Yapple said it did as we added more items. Mr. Hughes' quote of \$5,000 is for the drawings and specifications needed to acquire as approval and to bid the project and to get drawings to get building permits and so forth. The quote from Reconstruction, Inc. who has also looked at the building. First step would be to approve David Hughes to prepare the drawings and specifications that we need.

Mr. Myers made a motion to authorize David Hughes at the fixed fee of \$5,000 to prepare the drawings and specifications that we need (refer to David Hughes letter of July 29, 2011). Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion C2011-0706 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Yapple gave the Trustees a storm water maintenance agreement he and Chad Lucht have put together. Mr. Morehart has agreed to the language in the document. This will be for the Evangelical Lutheran Church which will be on the 4 acres on Refugee Road. They have chosen to do a concealed retention and water quality facility that will need to be monitored to make sure it is maintained and does what the retention needs to do in the future. This document is so they can perform annual inspections and send back to Soil and Water to look at for us

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to see if it is being maintained and if it is not we can enforce with the agreement. Chad will be at the next meeting to answer any questions and there will be a resolution. Mr. Weltlich asked that the wording should be changed to say "the Township or affiliated representative". Mr. Weltlich asked how we would enforce the payment. Mr. Yapple said this will provide a lien on the property in item no. 7. What kind of lien and how it is enforceable.

Mr. Yapple had a price of \$1500.00 for crack sealing in the parking lot and put two coats of sealer and re-stripe the parking lot at the Administrative offices. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to authorize Armor Paving and Sealing to crack seal the Violet Township Administrative offices parking lot and put two coats of sealer and re-stripe the parking lot at a cost not to exceed \$1500.00. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion D2011-0706 is approved 3-0.**

Mr. Yapple reported that Ohio Department of Natural Resources has two drilling permits for natural gas in the Township again.

Mr. Yapple will take care of filling out the entry form for the Violet Festival Parade.

Mr. Yapple reported that earlier this year Scott Zody (who used to be the clerk for Fairfield County) and is now with ODNR had called Bill about leasing some office space off of us for a forester but it fell through.

Pack the Pantry generated about \$596 in cash and over 680 food items donated.

Mike Asebrook said \$50,000 for the skylight work in the reception area.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0706-01 –Establish Prima Facie Speed Limit Violet Meadows Section 3. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2011-0706-01 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0706-02 – To Establish a Noise Control Resolution in Violet Township. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2011-0706-02 is adopted 3-0. Mr. Weltlich asked if Mr. Yapple had met with Mr. Vance to see if we could 'blend' the noise ordinances between the City and the Township. Mr. Yapple said he had not be he would make it a point to.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0706-03 – A Joint Resolution Between the City of Pickerington and Violet Township, Ohio, Approving a Joint Planning Agreement and Area. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Discussion: Mr. Myers asked if Wanda Carter had looked at this. Mr. Yapple said Hartman had looked at it and Loveland approved it. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2011-0706-03 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0706-06 – Ordering the Destruction of Noxious Weeds on Vacant Lots in Winding Creek owned by DBI Land Company. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2011-0706-06 is adopted 3-0.

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Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0706-07 – Ordering the Destruction of Noxious Weeds on Vacant Lots in Winding Creek owned by Diyanni Brothers, Inc. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2011-0706-07 is adopted 3-0.

Fiscal Officer

Ms. Menningen reported the Fiscal Office has been busy with the 2012 Tax Budget.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-0706-05 – Revise 2011 Permanent Appropriation Budget. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Resolution 2011-0706-05 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt the Tax Budget for 2012. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion E2011-0706 is approved 3-0.

Trustee Reports:

Mr. Weltlich reported he attended the Growth Alliance meeting at the Old Bag of Nails. He was disappointed.

Home Rule Resolutions:

None

Motions to Be Considered:

None

Trustees Out of Office Meetings:

July 16 at 6pm is the Fairfield County Trustees and Fiscal Officers Quarterly meeting at Hocking Township in Lancaster. Some of the Trustees will be there.

Old Business:

None

Tabled Business:

None

New Business:

Mr. Yapple said there has been a request for a Block Party in Mingo Estates on August 23rd from 6-8pm.

Our group savings for the Bureau of Workers Compensation is about \$30,000.00 for 2012.

Pay Bills:

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. 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 8:45 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: _____