

Violet Township Board of Trustees

February 18, 2009

Regular Meeting

Mr. Myers called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

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

Mr. Myers 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 here at home.

Recognition of Guests:

None

Public Comments

None

County Authorities

Chief Deputy Perrigo was present. He passed out a crime report. They started contract negotiations with the deputies and sergeants. There is a State of the County meeting on March 3rd at the Liberty Center at 11:30 am.

Fire Department

Chief Eisel presented Resolution 2009-0218-07 – Firefighter Resignations. Mr. Myers moved to adopt Resolution 2009-0218-07. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap asked if these were volunteers. Chief Eisel stated one was a part timer - Brian Williams and the other two are volunteers Mike Wilson and William Gotke. Roll Call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0218-07 approved 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt Resolution 2009-0218-08 - Upgrade to Next Generation 911. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Discussion: Mr. Weltlich asked if this was installed in the new MECC Center and up and running. Chief Eisel stated it was. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-0218-08 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Myers moved to adopt Resolution 2009-0218-09 – Hiring of Part Time Casual Worker. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap asked if we had a distinction between casual and part time in the employee manual. Chief Eisel stated we had a casual part time labor resolution in place. There is a range and Steve Jackson is at \$12.00 with no benefits. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0218-09 is adopted 3-0.

Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher reported they have used 950 tons of salt so far this season.

We are in the process of selling one of our dump trucks. We have some feelers out to some agencies. We may have a few interested parties. We do not have to put it up for bid if it goes to another government agency. Mr. Dunlap stated Fairfield County airport may have an interest.

Mr. Butcher's crew did a demonstration for some Heritage Elementary students with some of their trucks.

We had a meeting in Lancaster to discuss the Fairfield County Action Transportation Plan.

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Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-0218-11 – Authorization of Surveying & Engineering Design for Stonecreek Drive Improvements. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap felt it was important to have the drawings ready to go because those agencies that have shovel ready documents will be the ones to get the stimulus money. He also feels we need to look at some of our projects if we are eligible to get a grant or stimulus money. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-0218-11 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap asked to look at weight reductions as he is seeing a lot of tandem triaxle dump trucks running Allen Road East and he would like Mr. Butcher to monitor this.

Mr. Weltlich commended Mr. Butcher for being at the meeting with the loss of his mother in law.

Director of Operations

Mr. Yapple reported there was one single family building permit for the month of January. At \$200,000.00 cost. There was one other permit for the month and only 1 commercial permit. Through January 2008 we had 0 single family permits.

Tax Incentive Review Council meeting is at the County Courthouse. Mr. Myers and Mr. Yapple will be attending this meeting on March 11.

Mr. Yapple had a draft for a joint notice of status of case and request to lift the stay on the 387-acre annexation which is the next step we need to do to get it back into court. Now this is the position to move forward. We hope to have an agreement to dissolve or settle and pull it off of the court records.

Mr. Myers and Mr. Yapple met with the folks on the Dog Park. They are doing fairly well. They did get \$3,000.00 from a local vet. They are at about \$9,000.00. Mr. Myers will talk to the Trustees about some other issues at a later date. They are going after grant money also.

This year is MORPC's 40th year celebration which will be held at the Hyatt Regency Ballroom on April 30th.

Ride Solutions from MORPC and status they have 29 residents. They have 2 or 3 vans for the Pickerington area since May of last year. They are still getting contacts for this.

We need reservations for the township county association meeting which will be March 14th at 6pm at Rushcreek in Bremen.

Mr. Yapple attended the pre-construction meeting for the Refugee Tollgate widening and reconstruction and it will start Feb. 23rd. They will close Tollgate Road from time to time. Eventually in mid April they will have to close Tollgate Road to make the cut and fill. After that it is projected that the third of June they will close Refugee Road for 30 days. They will have to close it at Saylor and Pickerington Road. Mr. Dunlap suggested they need to post Tollgate a second time at Maimee Drive.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2009-0218-01 – Authorize Participation with ODOT for Salt Purchase for 2009 and 2010. Seconded by

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Mr. Dunlap. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-0218-01 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt Resolution 2009-0218-03– Purchase Shelving for Violet Township Service Center. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2009-0218-03 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2009-0218-05 – Modify Original Contract with J.A. Guy and Summit Construction. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0218-05 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2009-0218-06 – Sign from Day Nite Sign Company. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0218-06 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt Resolution 2009-0218-10 – Cincinnati Floor. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Discussion: Mr. Butcher stated he had asked if they had done this exact application and he said they had not. However, he did say that he told them they want it to look better and have an application where we can store materials without having a dolly and not worrying about tipping things over. He told them we want something better. He felt they were on the same page. Since this conversation he had received some concrete information and it quantifies that is a half inch departure with maximum deviation. It is a total of a half inch accumulative. He recommends we propose we move forward with the resolution but have a pre-installation meeting to confirm that we want this or better. Mr. Butcher felt good that they were on the same page and they have a little more definition on what we expect and Mr. Butcher has a better feeling on what they will provide. Mr. Weltlich asked if he discussed the bonding qualities. Mr. Yapple stated they put a bonding agent on it. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, no. Resolution 2009-0218-10 is adopted 2-1.

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Smith stated the Fiscal Office has switched payroll companies. Most of the last few weeks have been in meetings in regards to the permanent budget. Mr. Smith feels our budget will be more effective in years to come. Chief Eisel stated that things will be coded more appropriately from now on. A lot of redundancy will be eliminated.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2009-0218-02 Advance Payment out of Current Tax Collection. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-0218-02 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt Resolution 2009-0218-04 - Adopt 2009 Permanent Budget. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0218-04 is adopted 3-0.

Trustees Reports

Mr. Weltlich reported he attended the second Pickerington Senior Center Board Meeting. The Treasurer resigned in disgust. Mr. Weltlich is concerned because

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they have no money. Mr. Weltlich explained to them that they would not get any money until they submitted a five year plan.

Mr. Dunlap attended the Waterloo Street vacation meeting. We objected to the closure because the south end of that street ends at the old basin area of the canal and should the canal ever be reconstructed as an economic development tourist attraction in the township that basin area would need access because it has no access from any other location and it only takes up one piece of property. The only way to get to it would be East Street. Mr. Anderson did support us.

Mr. Dunlap attended a meeting with Fairfield County Regional Planning and Mid Ohio Regional Planning for the greenway bikeway bike path program.

Trustees Out of Office Meetings

Tomorrow is the Pickerington Chamber Luncheon. The annual meeting with the Fairfield County Engineer on February 26th at 7am (all three Trustees will be there) the State of the County on March 3rd and a meeting at 3pm with Steve Austria at the County (will be at least two Trustees) at 209 W. Fair Ave.

Old Business

Mr. Myers will be speaking at radio station 90.9. Mr. Weltlich suggested talking about the Port Authority.

Tabled Business

Resolution 2008-1119-11 – Agreement Between the Fairfield County Office of Emergency Management & Homeland Security & Violet Township. Mr. Yaple recommended we leave this on the table as we have not received our answer from our Law Director.

New Business

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

Mr. Dunlap moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher H. Smith, Fiscal Officer

Joniann Goldberg, Administrative Assistant

Approved By:

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Chairman

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Vice-Chairman

Gary P. Weltlich, Trustee

Date:_____