

Violet Township Board of Trustees

March 18, 2009

Regular Meeting

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

Mr. Smith called the roll and Mr. Myers, Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Weltlich were present. Other Township employees present were: William Yapple, Director of Operations; Greg Butcher, Township Engineer; John Eisel, Fire Chief; Doug Barr, Assistant Fire Chief; and Rochelle Menningen, Assistant Fiscal Officer.

Mr. Myers asked the audience to join with him in the Pledge of Allegiance and to remain standing for a moment of silence.

Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Trustee's meetings of January 21, 2009, February 4, 2009, February 18, 2009, and March 4, 2009 and minutes of the Planning Sessions of March 5, 2009 and March 9, 2009, and without public reading. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Minutes approved.

Recognition of Guests:

None

Public Comment:

None

County Authorities:

Mr. Jerry Perrigo, from the Fairfield County Sherriff's Office spoke about 22 previously used laptops that they now had. Mr. Weltlich suggested giving the laptops to smaller fire departments in the county or even to school classrooms.

Mr. Perrigo also spoke about promoting Jason Hotter to Sergeant to fill the position of now retired, Sergeant Craig Phillips; the resumption of skydiving in the county; a new substation lease in Stoutsville; the purchase of Chevys in lieu of Chargers due to cost difference of \$2000; and a meeting on March 27, 2009 with the County judges regarding early prisoner releases due to extreme overcrowding.

Departmental Reports:

Fire Department

Chief Eisel presented the following information:

He spent part of the day, March 18th, touring 27 businesses with Canal Winchester Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council.

March 22 – 28 is Ohio's Severe Weather Week. A press release went out on March 12th for the outdoor Emergency Alert System. The annual statewide tornado drill and emergency alert system will be tested at 9:50 a.m. Wednesday, March 25. Chief Eisel conveyed that it is important for everyone to know that the Emergency Alert System sirens are an outdoor early warning system, and that it is recommended that everyone own a weather radio for inside their homes.

Chief Eisel presented Resolution number 2009-0318-08 – Paint Station 592. Chief Eisel explained the areas both inside and outside to be painted, and that the best quote was received from Downey Painting. Mr. Dunlap moved to adopt resolution number 2009-0318-08. Mr. Myers seconded the motion.

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Roll call vote Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2009-0318-08 adopted 3-0.

Township Engineer

Greg Butcher presented the following information:

The township remains at 1000 tons of salt usage for the season.

The design for the Jefferson Drive culvert has been completed. The township will take bids as soon as possible.

The Board of Elections has called to confirm that they are still able to store U-Haul trucks in the new maintenance facility.

A family in the township has made an inquiry regarding planting a memorial tree in the Harmon Road Park. The family would like to plant a sizable tree in the next couple of months. Mr. Dunlap asked if the family was planning to place a plaque by the tree, and Mr. Weltlich made recommendations as to the type of plaque materials that could withstand the elements.

The township road crews have been busy and are currently involved in projects such as clearing of the woods at the Busey Road Park and the berming of roads with the grinding material left from the 2008 road project.

Mr. Butcher also stated that the mezzanine floors at the new maintenance facility looked good after having additional work completed.

Director of Operations

Mr. Yapple presented the following information:

A household hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held at the Fairfield County Fairgrounds in Lancaster on Saturday, August 15, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. - noon.

He and Mr. Weltlich met with the board of the Pickerington Senior Center to explain tax levy funding and the accountability to the State Auditor. A meeting has been set for Tuesday, March 24th to work through the accounting issues.

Changes will occur over the next five years regarding the NPDS Permit. These changes include required education to residents as to the affect our residents have on clean water and our streams, the expansion of mapping requirements, the creation and implementation of construction and post construction ordinances within the first two years of a permit, and new annual reports to be filled beginning in 2009. There is also the possibility of implementation of a Fairfield County storm water fee.

He and Mr. Myers met with the Tax Incentive Review Council. Princeton Delivery Systems, located on Dove Parkway, has moved their manufacturing to Kansas. Only their sales, research and development, and some office staff will stay. There have been conversations regarding sub leasing of the building to another manufacturer.

The township will receive approximately a 25% reduction in its 2009 OTARMA renewal rate. OTARMA members are to receive an additional 10% and the township receives a 15% VIP credit.

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Due to funding cuts to the Sheriff's programs, we will have to pay a special duty rate for the PAWS program. Instead of using Deputy Hummel, the township will now contact Sandra Hackman, their Special Duty Coordinator.

A Petition to vacate a portion of a street in Waterloo is before the Commissioner. It will cost \$3000 to \$4000 to survey the portion to be vacated. Mr. Yapple spoke with the surveyor and is waiting to hear back. The surveyor will write a description of the property at a cost of \$150 to \$200. Mr. Yapple has spoken to the Commissioners' Office to see if they will accept the written description and to inquire as to who is responsible for payment to the surveyor. Mr. Yapple has requested the payment from the property owner and has asked the Commissioner's Clerk to forward said request.

The Blacklick Creek Watershed Community Action Plan is to be presented to the community at the Groveport Community Center on Wednesday, March 5th.

Our building at 4 East Columbus Street, which is used as the Sheriff's substation, has roofing problems. Mr. Yapple spoke with a roofer. The recommendations from the roofer were to remove the roof, seal flashing or take pipes out of wall and run down inside of building.

Mr. Yapple spoke with the prosecutor regarding the drafting of a letter to the Liquor Control Board. The Liquor Control Board states they sent a letter regarding all township liquor licenses, including Club 33's liquor license, yet the Township did not receive the letter and the Board cannot produce proof the letter was sent.

Mr. Yapple presented the following resolutions:

Resolution 2009-0318-01 – Advertise for Bids for Asphalt Pavement Maintenance 2009. Not to exceed a budget of \$430,000.00. Mr. Dunlap moved to pass Resolution 2009-0318-01. Mr. Weltlich seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes Resolution 2009-0318-01 adopted 3-0.

Resolution 2009-0318-02 – Declare excess equipment. Mr. Weltlich moved to pass resolution 2009-0318-02. Mr. Dunlap seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-0318-02 adopted 3-0.

Resolution 2009-0318-03 – Hire Thompson Concrete. Cost not to exceed \$5800.00. Mr. Dunlap moved to pass resolution 2009-0318-03. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2009-0318-03 adopted 3-0.

Resolution 2009-0318-04 – Change Order for J.A. Guy, Inc. Time Delay not to exceed \$3000.00. Mr. Myers moved to pass Resolution 2009-0318-04. Mr. Weltlich seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0318-04 adopted 3-0.

Resolution 2009-0318-05 – Order Computer Equipment. Ordering of updated equipment, dual screens for Rochelle's computer, and a new monitor and laptop for Joy Davis. Mr. Weltlich moved to pass Resolution 2009-0318-05. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0318-05 adopted 3-0.

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Resolution 2009-0318-06 – To Establish prima Facie Speed Limit – Hampton Ridge Phase 2. Mr. Dunlap moved to pass Resolution 2009-0318-06. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2009-0318-06 passes 3-0.

Resolution 2009-0318-07 – To Establish Prima Facie Speed Limit – Winding Creek Section 3 Phases 1-3. Mr. Dunlap moved to pass Resolution 2009-0318-07. Mr. Weltlich seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-0318-07 adopted 3-0.

Home Rule Resolutions:

None

Motions to Be Considered:

None

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Smith reported that there was a preliminary meeting with the Senior Center. The Senior Center is to complete their own payroll, but the monies will be refunded through the Fiscal Office. Also, the Senior Center will operate all of the monies they generate, and the election and community survey costs would be taken out of the levy money.

Mr. Smith presented Resolution 2009-0318-09 – Employee Compensation Time Accruals. Mr. Smith explained that the resolution was to compensate salaried exempt employees for Compensation Time previously earned. Mr. Weltlich moved to pass Resolution 2009-0318-09. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0318-09 adopted 3-0.

Trustee Reports

None

Trustees Out of Office Meetings

Mr. Myers announced that the Trustees would be at the Pickerington Chamber on March 19, at 11:30 a.m. for the State of Pickerington Address.

All three Trustees will be attending the Mike Bryant Seminar on March 25 at Pickerington High School North.

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

New Business

None

Pay Bills

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Christopher H. Smith, Fiscal Officer

Rochelle Menningen, Asst. Fiscal Officer

Approved By:

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Chairman

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Vice-Chairman

Gary P. Weltlich, Trustee

Date:_____