

Violet Township Board of Trustees

September 16, 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; 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.

Mr. Weltlich moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Trustee's meeting of September 2, 2009, and without public reading. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. September 2, 2009 Minutes approved.

Recognition of Guests:

Mayor O'Brien presented a proclamation to the Violet Township Fire Department for their 75th anniversary.

Carrie Woody, Director of Public Transit for the City of Lancaster and Toby Shamblin, Superintendent for Lancaster gave a presentation concerning a joint venture for the possible expansion of their services for the City of Pickerington and Violet Township as part of a country-wide transportation plan. As a lead agency any local dollars received they get a federal and state match to go back into the community.

Partnership would be through the City of Lancaster, The City of Pickerington, Violet Township, Fairfield County MRDD, Meals on Wheels, Older Adult Alternative levy money as well as Pickerington, Senior Center levy money. Ms. Woody's proposal is that they would be able to offer public transportation six days a week and offer a \$2 fare ride each way. For 65 and older or disabled they would offer an additional fare reduction.

Long term Ms. Woody would like to establish a connector into COTA to allow greater transportation from Franklin County into the Fairfield County area. We will look at the 33 Corridor. Because of the state budget system they cannot guarantee their state match, however even if they don't get the state match they can still operate 5 days a week. She is looking at getting local support from local retailers as well.

Mr. Myers asked what department the federal money comes from. Ms. Woody said It comes from the Federal Department of Transportation. The State department of Transportation would need some written commitment from the local entities. The service would start January of 2010. Ms. Woody is asking for \$10,000.00 from City of Pickerington and \$10,000.00 from Violet Township.

If they don't get the state match they would want to work with the City and Township to see what the best hours would be. They will track ridership and report back to the Trustees. The contract would be for a year. If one of the two entities decided to discontinue their support she would have to find other means. They would bill quarterly for the \$10,000.00. A resolution would be the best.

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Public Comment:

None

County Authorities:

Chief Deputy Perrigo was present. Mr. Myers mentioned he had seen a lot of presence on Toll Gate Road with the new schools and it seems to be working well.

Departmental Reports:

Fire Department

Chief Eisel reported the 75th celebration went tremendously well.

Open house is October 11th.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-0916-02 – Promotion of Allison Wendt to Lieutenant. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-0916-02 is adopted 3-0. Chairman Myers swore in Ms. Wendt.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-0916-03 – Mobile Vehicle Computer Purchase. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0916-03 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-0916-04 – Declare Excess Equipment/Authorize the Sale to Greenfield Township. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2009-0916-04 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-0916-05 – Fire Department Training. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-0916-05 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Myers read the proclamation for Fire Prevention Week.

Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher reported the Jefferson Drive Culvert Replacement project started yesterday and should be finished by the end of next week. Residents were all notified.

The contractor for the school district finished the drainage at the corner of Refugee and Huntington Hills Drive this afternoon.

Mr. Butcher reported they had the first 'Walk with a Cop' day. Four schools were in the program to emphasize walking and bicycling to school.

Mr. Butcher also reported that next year we will be working on a project that will improve pedestrian safety along streets in the City and Township with grant funds from ODOT. The design work is being completed with a lot of cooperation between the City, Township and a very active Citizens Group.

Mr. Butcher reported the survey work for sanitary sewer on the Mingo Estates infrastructure improvements Phase 2 project is underway. The design work is

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moving forward. This is a very gratifying cooperative effort between the City, Township and Fairfield County Utilities Department.

Mr. Butcher attended a meeting with Fairfield County EMA. The Debris managers met and we will participate in a tabletop presentation or maybe some type of filed exercise next year.

Mr. Butcher reported we will be receiving some stimulus money in 2010 for paving of Wagram and Harmon Roads.

Mr. Weltlich asked about a letter Mr. Butcher received from Mr. Johnson regarding stormwater on Busey Road and what his recommendation would be. Mr. Weltlich is concerned someone would validate his complaints. Mr. Butcher said he would acknowledge his letter and let him know we have contacted Chad Lucht and we will be having conversations with the City of Pickerington and Canal Winchester.

Mr. Yaple asked if the gas company ever got back to Mr. Butcher regarding the walking path in Huntington Drive. Mr. Butcher said they had not and he spoke to the construction manager but he will follow up with this.

Director of Operations

Mr. Yaple reported there may be one or more Trustees at the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners Annual County Surplus Auction on Saturday, October 24, 2009 at the Fairfield County Fairgrounds. We have not identified any equipment this year.

Mr. Yaple reported there were 4 single family building permits for August with a total of 9 single family homes for the year. We had 6 other permits for the month for a total of 45 other permits for the year. We had 2 commercial permits for the month for a total of 4 for the year. Through August of 2008, we had 20 single-family homes.

Mr. Yaple attended a hearing at the City of Pickerington for the Service Center sign. The board approved the sign. We are working through the issues with them.

MORPC is projecting at 19,621 compared to 19,617 and for Pickerington they are projecting 14,714 next year. Our dues structure is about \$9,000.00. Mr. Yaple will communicate with Fairfield County about paying the transportation portion of the dues.

We had a letter from a Houndsdale resident. Mr. Yaple wrote a letter back to him and explained that the deputies would be working in the area when they are free and will put the speed trailer on Houndsdale to help with the reduction of speed.

Would like to have some discussion on the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

Mr. Yaple and Mr. Weltlich will be attending a CLOUT meeting on October 1.

Mr. Yaple has contacted the Pickerington Lions Club to let them know he or one of the Trustees would attend their meeting on June 10th, 2010. They will get with him after the first of the year.

Mr. Yaple has a meeting with the prosecutor to discuss the Busey Rd. realignment and the vacation issue and Peyton Ridge sanitary sewer issues. He will also discuss the issue of Doolin's Pub with him. Also had residents come in

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last week that talked about the buffer between the commercial on Stonecreek and the residential on Crossett Hill gave the Trustees a report on these issues and will send the packet to the residents on Crossett Hill.

Mr. Weltlich asked about World Harvest Church. Mr. Yaple said this was going to be discussed with the Prosecutor as well.

Mr. Weltlich asked if there was an update on the landscaping business on Toll Gate. Mr. Yaple advised that they applied for a conditional use permit.

Mr. Weltlich asked about a major property on Pickerington Road. Mr. Yaple said we have a resolution to order this property mowed. We have talked to this property owner's his new attorneys and new power of attorney. He has applied to the court system in Franklin County and is in the process of getting the new power of attorney removed. In the resolution we are sending a certified letter to him and will be advertising in the Lancaster paper. If he does not respond we can order it mowed.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-0916-01– Hold Harmless Agreement. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0916-01 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-0916-06– Donation for Pickerington Central Marching Band. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion: Mr. Weltlich asked how much the total trip was. Mr. Yaple did not know but he would find out. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, no. Resolution 2009-0916-06 is adopted 2-1.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-0916-08– To Notify Property Owner to Cut & Destroy Weeds in NR Baker Subdivision and 31 + Acres on west side of Toll Gate Road. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0916-08 is adopted 3-0.

Home Rule Resolutions:

None

Motions to Be Considered:

None

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Smith reported the money market rates are at .25%. We have rates in the 3's, several 4.5 and they will not be rolling into the 4's. The upside is the money market is at .25% and the investments he made will be between 1.35 and 2.05. His strategy is that he has purchased several bonds and cds.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-0916-07 – Supplemental Appropriations. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-0916-07 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich recommended Mr. Yaple and Mr. Smith speak to Heidi Fought at the Ohio Township Association and start the conversation so the OTA lobby's for a liberalization of restrictions that you operate from your investments.

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Trustee Reports

Mr. Myers reported he talked to Police Chief Taylor regarding Doolin's Pub. Chief Taylor assured him that something was going to happen with them. They have been issued two citations.

Trustees Out of Office Meetings

September 19th at 6pm the Trustees and Fiscal Officers will be at Walnut Township for the County meeting.

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

New Business

None

Pay Bills

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

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 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:_____