

Violet Township Board of Trustees

October 21, 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 October 7, 2009, and without public reading. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. October 7, 2009 Minutes approved. 3-0.

Public Comment:

Resident, Peggy Portier of 9841 Refugee Road, Pickerington was present. She wanted to make the Trustees aware that South Central Power has requested a transfer of canal land in VT to private property. She made copies. She is asking the citizens to oppose this request until we have a trail connection between Canal Winchester and Lancaster. They would have liked to have used the Canal Lands for the multi use bike path but portions had already been transferred into private land. Mr. Yapple will do some investigating into this.

Harriet Sobeleski of 10395 S. Crosset Hill Ladies, Ms. Noethelich and Patty Marsh were all present. They presented pictures to the Trustees. They complained of no buffer with Hunters Run. Mr. Yapple explained that there may have not been any requirements to the buffer to provide a required opaqueness of the buffer. They asked the Trustees to contact the owners to put in more trees in the buffers. Mr. Yapple said they have contacted them and asked them to replace trees at this point.

Mr. Yapple explained they had met with the property owner in late September and they would expect to see something happening soon but he feels it make be a bit premature. Mr. Yapple said they were bringing a different problem to the table then they did last time.

Mr. Yapple said they would try to set up another meeting with the property owner and these ladies. He could not agree the property owner would attend.

Recognition of Guests:

County Authorities:

None

Departmental Reports:

Fire Department

Chief Eisel reported the Open House went well and they had a good crowd. The new Fire Extinguisher training system was used this week and have trained 250 people so far according to the prevention staff.

They hosted a Blood Drive and 42 units were collected.

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H1N1 shots were started for all the 'tier 1' people. They have been working 'hand in hand' with the County Health Department, EMA, as part of the medical reserve core.

Mr. Weltlich asked about the status of Tim White. Chief Eisel said they were still going through the process.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to recess the regular Trustee meeting and go into the Public Hearing for case number 02-ZC-2009. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carried 3-0 at 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to return to the regularly scheduled Trustee meeting. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Meyers, yes. Motion carried 3-0 at 8:09 p.m.

Township Engineer

Mr. Butcher reported the Huntington Hills Drive Walking Path is completed.

Mr. Butcher reported the Jefferson Drive Culvert Replacement Project is done. There is one issue with the pavement that he is working through.

The Safe Routes to School Application– the community will apply November 1st for another grant. The infrastructure component will be focused around Violet Elementary where there is a sidewalk that goes down Ravine to Melrose. They want to take it east and back north on Village Way and then back west to encompass that area.

Mr. Dunlap said it appeared that on the north side to the west on Jefferson Drive the rip-rap had a dip in it. Mr. Butcher said it is where it was previously and there was a tree there before and it had masked it previously. Mr. Butcher thought it had been taken care of but will look at this.

Also, Mr. Dunlap asked him to check on the tree that on the northeast corner appeared to be dead. Mr. Butcher will check on this as well.

Mr. Weltlich asked about if Mr. Butcher had heard from ODOT on Haaf Farms. Mr. Butcher replied that he had not.

Mr. Weltlich also asked about striping and traffic studies on Tollgate Road. Mr. Butcher said the striping was done. Mr. Myers said he had been contacted by a few residents about the speed limit on Tollgate. Mr. Butcher replied that these were in process.

Mr. Myers wanted to make Mr. Butcher and Chief Eisel aware that they were closing SR256 for three days just north of Pickerington.

Director of Operations

Mr. Yapple reported there were 0 single family building permits for the month of September with a total of 9 for the year and a construction cost of \$2,814.00 for the year. We had 6 other permits for the month. We had 1 commercial permit for the month for a total of 5 commercial permits for the year. Through September of 2008 we had 20 single-family permits.

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TID (Transportation Improvement District) for the county has been rejuvenated after not meeting for several years. They are discussing some situations that may be partially in our Township such as Basil Western Road corridor improvements. There are some issues with the Basil Road Pickerington Road crossing.

As of last Tuesday the liquor department had not been to the site at Cardos Pizza. We have until November 9th to respond. Mr. Yapple wanted to see what the school gets. The County Commissioners are waiting on us to see what we are going to do.

Mr. Butcher attended the viewing and hearing for Mr. Yapple for the proposed road improvement project on Basil Western Road. This is for only the replacement of the bridge east of Allen Road.

There will be another viewing and hearing within the next month about redoing the site lines at Allen Road.

Woodstream Section 4, Phase 1 and the Pickerington North High School have completed their 5 year maintenance bond with the county. The county has fully accepted these public improvements.

Mr. Yapple had a 30 minutes conversation with Mr. Starr regarding annexation. Mr. Yapple said he believes he has a better understanding now and if he does not want to be annexed he does not have to sign the papers.

We received our final determination on the exempt status of the Busey Road Park from the State of Ohio.

There has been conversation from residents in the southern part of the Township about possible farmland preservation and that they have requested some issues. Mr. Yapple was contacted by Soil and Water. One is close to Lockville and there will have to be some stipulations and the plat for Lockville will have to be modified. This will not happen this year. The other one is in the area of Waterloo Road and Lithopolis Winchester Road in the floodplain.

Mr. Weltlich asked about an issue between World Harvest Church and a neighbor and pool barrier issue at 6805 Ohio Canal Court. This was forwarded to Loveland and Brosius. Mr. Yapple stated we are working on filing the paperwork and going through the Court of Appeals.

Mr. Meyers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1021-01 – Support Legislation on Reimbursable Road Damage Expenses. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-1021-01 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1021-02 – To Approve a Modification to the Approved Development Plan for Violet Meadows Section 4 Phase 2. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-1021-02 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1021-03 – Establish Prima Facie Speed Limit – Woodstream Section 4 Phase 1. Seconded by

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Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-1021-03 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Weltlich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1021-04 – Establish Prima Facie Speed Limit – Winding Creek Section 4. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-1021-04 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1021-05 – Urge Citizens to Support the Pickerington Library Bond Levy. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution 2009-1021-05 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Meyers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1021-06 – Urge Citizens to Support Issue #2 – Proposed Constitutional Amendment (To Create the Ohio Livestock Care Standards Board). Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-1021-06 is adopted 3-0.

Mr. Meyers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1021-07– Authorize Proposal for of Dog Park to complete drawings and file with the City of Pickerington. Seconded by Mr. Weltlich. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution 2009-1021-07 is adopted 3-0.

Home Rule Resolutions:

None

Motions to Be Considered:

None

Fiscal Officer

Mr. Smith reported in 2006 we received \$274,000 in Local Government Funds. In 2007 we received \$274,000. In 2008 we received \$277,000 and this year to date we have received \$176,000 with projected income of 32 to 33 which will put us at about \$208,000.00 or \$209,000.00 which is about a \$70,000.00 loss.

Mr. Meyers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-1021-08 – Supplemental Appropriations. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Weltlich, yes. Resolution 2009-1021-08 is adopted 3-0.

Old Business

None

Tabled Business

None

Trustee Reports:

None

Trustees Out of Office Meetings

All the Trustees will be attending the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at noon on 10/23/09 at the new Service Center and Sunday from 2 to 4 pm for the Open House at the same location. Mr. Myers invited the public to attend the Open House.

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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.

Being no further business to discuss 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 8:37 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:_____