Violet Township Board of Trustees
April 5, 2017
Regular Meeting

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

Mr. Sauer called the role: Trustees Harry W. Myers, Jr., Terry J. Dunlap, Sr.; and Darrin Monhollen were present. Others present were: Director of Operations, John Eisel; Chief Mike Little; and Township Engineer, Greg Butcher.

Mr. Myers asked students from Diley Road Middle School - Ray Jackson and Greyson Taylor to lead the Trustees in the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence honoring those who protect us here at home and abroad. Mr. Myers presented the students with certificates.

Mr. Dunlap moved to accept, without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the Regular Trustee meeting of March 15, 2017. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Public Comment:
Bud Monson of 8793 Ravine Avenue, Pickerington, Ohio was present. Mr. Monson was concerned about the Wellington Subdivision that is going in on Milnor Road. His main concern is supposedly there is going to be a connection between Chevington Village and Wellington and he asked if that would be a road or a walkway or what. Mr. Dunlap said that was intended to be a road. Mr. Monson asked if there was supposed to be a road or an easement through their subdivision and asked if this was correct. Mr. Dunlap said when their subdivision was built; Regional Planning required that to be a road to the property line so that in the future that road could extend over into what is now Wellington. That is intended to be a public road. His concern is that it appears that it will be a huge subdivision. If there is a lot of traffic going from that area into Chevington, there are a lot of kids walking to Violet Elementary and the traffic in there is already ridiculous. He thinks they should consider routing these people to go somewhere else other than going through this subdivision. Mr. Butcher said he knew where Mr. Monson lived and he would be happy to bring over the plans and sit down with him and talk about it.

Mr. Myers asked if they were going to develop that piece up at the north end. Mr. Butcher said yes but not in this phase;

County Authorities:
None

Departmental Reports:

Fire Chief: Chief Mike Little:
Chief Little had some general updates.

Chief Little reported he spoke at the Pickerington Village Association meeting on March 22.

The Fire Department will be honoring Lt. Barry Wright on April 21 at the Seton Parish K of C Blue Coat Dinner.

Station 591 update – A construction meeting was held earlier today. Second floor deck was poured on Tuesday. Brick and stone work have begun. Steelwork continues with a new company, SEI; progressing nicely. Work on underground water detention and burying electric/cable lines to begin soon.
The first resolution was for the resignation of a part time firefighter, Jeff Rosencrance. Chief Little wished him all the best. **Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0405-01 – Resignation of Part-Time Firefighter. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

The second resolution was for authorization to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Fire Chiefs Association to development department’s strategic plan. The cost of this service would not exceed $9,899.00. **Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0405-02 – Fire Department Strategic Plan Development. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion: Chief Little said this will give them a chance to re-evaluate everything. An outside participant will allow us to focus on revisiting our mission values and draw up a plan to move forward.**

Mr. Myers asked if the Ohio Fire Chiefs Association had a group that does this as this is obviously not their first time. Chief Little said he sent the Trustees a strategic plan that was developed with their assistance for Washington Township in Centerville. Mr. Dunlap commented he reviewed the plan for Washington Twp and that we were already doing 7 of the 8 items they developed and was this worth us doing this. Chief Little said this plan was done for another Fire Department and it was done a few years ago. Chief Little feels we need to take a look at this as we are not the same as we were four years ago. It will also show the community what their Fire Department is doing.

Mr. Myers asked with using an outside firm there would be no internal agendas. Chief Little said we all have agendas but basically it takes him as a Fire Chief from having to stand in from of this group to be a participant in developing the plan but also being the person who is reigning in everyone. They want someone who is impartial to what they are doing.

Mr. Monhollen commented it is nice to get a new set of professional eyes on the things that we are doing

**Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

**Township Engineer: Greg Butcher**

Mr. Butcher reported a pre-construction meeting was held with the City of Pickerington personnel and the Shelly Company on March 28. The contract has been executed. The Shelly Company is working on the schedule.

The bid opening for the City of Pickerington/Violet Township concrete project is April 14. They are getting a lot of interest on this bid.

Mr. Butcher reported we have ordered 950 tons of at least 1,000 tons of salt but not more than 1,100 tons that were contracted.

A final walkthrough to review the public improvements at Heron Crossing was held on March 27. M/I Homes was provided a final punch list of items they will need to address prior to acceptance, which allows for construction of homes.

A pre-construction meeting was held on March 29 for the new extension of Meadowmoore (Preserve). Site development should start soon.

Mr. Butcher will be attending the National Association of County Engineers conference next Monday and Tuesday (possibly Wednesday) in Cincinnati.

Mr. Butcher and Mr. Eisel met with the County Engineer and his 2 deputy engineers on March 30. They discussed various transportation projects (both township and county) and discussed how we might continue to partner on projects.

There was a CEDA Land Use committee meeting on April 4. A multi-family housing development is proposed on the parcel west of Busey Park. This is an extension of the
apartments south of this parcel (i.e. same developer, etc.). Discussion ensued regarding a traffic impact study, landscaping, storm water, multi-use path, etc. The project is going through Canal Winchester planning process.

Mr. Dunlap asked if we had contracted with anyone to fertilize our Dog Park. Mr. Butcher said we had contracted someone for our parks, the Service Center and the Township building.

Mr. Monhollen told Mr. Butcher he was not able to get a hold of Paul Oldham on behalf of Violet Meadows regarding the sign. Mr. Butcher reported there have been several signs installed along 204. It is an advance of what Mr. Butcher believes is some patching they are going to do along 204 and part of that equates and construction when you are going into the subdivision and road construction ahead as you enter the 204 corridor.

**Director of Operations: John Eisel**

Mr. Eisel reported the contract went into effect April 1, and the first collection date is April 7.

All required pre-employment documents and processes have been successfully completed for the Development Director and we are looking forward to Holly Mattie’s first day which is April 17th.

The Senior Center grant application for the generator was submitted on March 22nd. Mr. Eisel will provide updates as they become available.

The issue with the City of Pickerington and Violet Township connecting streets appears to be resolved and Mr. Eisel has provided copies of the correspondence with respective legal counsels.

Meetings were held for AFLAC open enrollment and insurance reviews were held March 27, 28 and 29 at Fire Station 592 for those interested.

We have the opportunity to complete the annual DFWP training with 1 hour sessions online at a cost of $25.00 per employee, and $50.00 per supervisor training). Each employee would receive an email with instructions and the time frame to complete the trainings.

“Cause for Paws” will be holding a pet adoption event Sunday April 9 from 2:00 to 5:00 outside the entrance to the Dog Park. They have experience conducting these events at venues such as PetSmart, PetValu, Petco, Dublin Pet Fair, Fetch a Friend and many others.

The PCMA “Community Resource Meeting” was held on 3-24 at Grace Church. The group was led by Chaplain Kevin Kellogg and Lt. JD Postage. A very broad community group was represented and we will begin to meet monthly to coordinate and not duplicate resources. As an example – Fairfield County 211 received 2,394 calls for referrals in 2016 from the 43147 zip code.

The State of the County Address is April 25 beginning at 11:30 at the Crossroads Event Center, 2095 W. Fair Ave. RSVP’s due by April 17.

We received notice that this office will be used as a polling location for the May 2, 2017 Primary election.

Tyler’s Light 5K will be held at the Toll Gate school complex on May 6 beginning at 10:00 a.m. We have a meeting scheduled for April 12th to review the details of the event.

We received our annual quote for Mosquito spraying from Sam’s. The cost is $130.00 per hour.
Mr. Eisel reported that Mr. Myers and he were approached by Larry Taylor from Volunteer Energy. He asked if he could provide an update on aggregation of utilities at the April 19 Trustee meeting.

We are working with the Ohio Township Association in regards to revising language of the Port Authority as far as the acreage requirement that currently exists.

Mr. Eisel received the email from Chris Stein in regards to a proposed new community event (The Picktown Pelusa) and he asked for quotes or comments from the board. Mr. Eisel will put something together on this.

Mr. Eisel, Mr. Butcher and the road crew had a demo on the patching machine. They spent a considerable amount of time with them going over the product and out to different roads doing some test sections.

Mr. Eisel had two resolutions. The first was in regards to the online Drug Free Workplace training and the other is as we have done in the past is co-sponsor of the annual Pickerington/Violet Township 4th of July celebration.

**Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0405-03 - Authorize Contribution to the Annual Violet Township – Pickerington 4th of July Celebration. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.** Mr. Eisel added he did make it known in response to what happened several years ago that this would be Violet Township's commitment along with fire service protection and that we would not be asked to provide law enforcement.

**Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0405-04 – Authorize Expense for Annual Drug Free Workplace Training. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

Mr. Dunlap asked what they want us to do on this Picktown Pelusa. Mr. Eisel said the only request he had was the email from Chris Stein who is looking for a quote in regards to the event.

**Mr. Myers made a motion to hire Sam’s Termite Control for $130.00 an hour for mosquito spraying of the Township. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion 2017-0405-A passes 3-0.**

**Upcoming Events** – The MORPC State of the Region Luncheon is April 20 beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the Greater Columbus Convention Center.

**Brian Sauer: Fiscal Officer**
Mr. Sauer said he had no report.

**Trustee Reports:**
Mr. Monhollen reported he met with Ted Hackworth of the Senior Center. They discussed a number of topics to do with the Senior Center.

Mr. Monhollen forwarded a request to Mr. Eisel that we be in attendance at the Education Foundation dinner (Friends of Education). The event is to honor educational award winners, grant recipients and our retirees for this year. It will be held April 27th from 6 – 8pm at Lakeview Jr. High School.

**Meetings (where there may be more than one Trustee present):**

**Old Business:** None

**Tabled Business:** None
New Business: The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative offices.

Pay Bills:

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

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 pm. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Brian C. Sauer, Fiscal Officer

Approved by:

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Joniann Goldberg, Administrative Assistant

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Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

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Darrin Monhollen, Trustee

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Harry W. Myers, Jr., Trustee

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