

Violet Township Board of Trustees

May 17, 2017

Regular Meeting

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

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

Mr. Myers led the Trustees in the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence honoring those who protect us here at home and abroad.

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

Public Comment:

None

County Authorities:

None

Departmental Reports:

Fire Chief: Chief Mike Little:

Chief Little explained that due to the recent resignation of full-time firefighter Joe Pineda, they have interviewed several highly qualified individuals from our current part-time staff, and are pleased to bring forth Thurman Rohrbaugh to the position of Full-Time Firefighter/Paramedic with the Violet Township Fire Department with an effective date of June 26, 2017. Said appointment is contingent upon successful completion of the full-time pre-employment process and the successful completion of an Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund physical exam, and has a one-year probationary period as defined in the Fire Department Rules and Regulations. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0517-02 – Appoint Full-Time Firefighter. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

Mr. Myers swore in Thurman Rohrbaugh.

Chief Little then presented a proclamation for Building Safety Month and he read the proclamation into the record. **Mr. Myers made a motion to accept the Proclamation for Building Safety Month for 2017. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion 2017-0517-A passes 3-0.**

The next resolution was to renew the maintenance agreement with Physio-Control Inc. This would be a one year AED Maintenance Agreement with Physio-Control commencing July 30, 2017 and expiring July 29, 2018, at a cost of \$5,135.00. Payments are to be appropriated from fund account 2111-220-360-000 – Contracted services. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0517-02 – AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) Maintenance Agreement. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Discussion:** Mr. Dunlap asked if this includes the one we have at the Administrative office. Chief said it did. **Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

The next resolution was to purchase body armor replacements and related accessories from DFNDR Armor at a cost of \$3,150.00. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt**

Resolution 2017-0517-04 - Purchase Tactical Vests for Tactical EMS personnel. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap asked if we trade the old ones in. Chief Little said he did not think they took on trade because of it being expired and they would probably just destroy them. Mr. Dunlap said to check with the Sheriff's Department to see if they want to use those for some of their mannequins for training. **Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

The next resolution was for the purchase of the exhaust system for the new Station 591. They are recommending the Plymovent Exhaust Removal System and installed to be obtained from Hastings Air-Energy Control, at a cost of **\$48,343.71**. **Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0517-05 – Exhaust Removal System for Station 591. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

Chief Little had a few updates.

He attended an Opiate Community Forum on May 15 at Peace UMC.

There was combined training with Truro Township and West Licking on May 16, 17 & 18 @ the OFA.

Chief Little gave an update on Station 591. A lot of progress is happening. They are starting to put up the walls on the inside. The roofing should start hopefully sometime next week. All the conduits and wires are in the ground. We should start seeing the cables and electric lines hopefully in the next week or two to start going in the ground.

Assistant Chief Paxton will be at the June 7 meeting for the Fire Department; as Chief Little is at another scheduled event that same evening.

Chief Little let the Trustees know he will be on vacation May 24th through May 26 and May 29th.

There was a major fire today in Lakes Edge. It was the very last building (#14 building). It is the exact same building that burned 4 or 5 years ago. It is not confirmed yet but it may have started in a mulch bed. Mr. Dunlap said he understood Truro came in and made their own gate. Mr. Dunlap asked how many units were affected. Chief Little said there are 16 units in the building and the western edge of the building is a total loss.

Chief Little pointed out overall runs are up.

Our EMS receipts are up significantly from last year at this time.

Township Engineer: Greg Butcher

Mr. Butcher reported Strawser Paving Company began removing curb on Melody Lane and Circle Drive West on May 12. The new curb will be poured on May 16.

Mowing of road right of ways will begin in a week or so.

Our annual CEDA review meeting was held Friday, May 5 with Canal Winchester. John Eisel, Holly Mattei and Mr. Butcher attended. One of the purposes of the meeting was to review near term road maintenance objectives within the CEDA area. At our meeting, it was decided to crack seal Howe Parkway and Rutherford Drive using Canal Winchester's competitively bid contractor providing their annual pavement maintenance. Crack sealing was performed last Wednesday, May 16.

Volunteers with Grace Fellowship church picked up litter on Allen and Ault Roads last week in the evenings of May 8 and May 9. Effort went very well.

Township crews are working within the Eastchester subdivision replacing several road culverts in advance resurfacing activities.

Mr. Butcher had a resolution to hire (2) part-time seasonal employees. **Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0517-09 – Hire Part-Time / Seasonal Road Employees. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

Mr. Monhollen asked if we had received an update from the Sheriff's office regarding the speed trailer for Haaf Farms. Mr. Butcher reported Mr. Monhollen had asked him to contact the sheriff's office regarding another speed concern in Haaf Farms. The concern was on Sunladen Drive which was recently connected to Licking County. We put up two additional speed limit signs. Additionally, Mr. Butcher contacted the Sheriff's office to see what the possibility was of getting a speed trailer. They will be getting that to him however, they stated a couple of points of interest. 1) One of the trailers is on Busey Road 2) there has been an observation by the Sherriff's Office that the trailers have resulted in an increase in speed to see how fast people can go as they advance toward the sign. Mr. Butcher feels enforcement is the best way to handle the resident concerns. He noted this time of year is always the time we get the most complaints.

Mr. Butcher reported he has also notified the Sheriff's Office of concerns in Huntington Hills and Busey Road between Hill and Diley.

Mr. Monhollen said the residents do know that the Trustees are doing everything they can to slow the traffic down in Haaf Farms.

Mr. Dunlap asked if it would be advantageous if we hired a special duty officer a few hours in each of the (3) areas; in Haaf Farms, Huntington Hills and Busey Road and had zero tolerance? Mr. Butcher said that was up to the Trustees but in speaking to the Sheriff's office personnel he doesn't think that zero tolerance is their philosophy. Mr. Dunlap asked to re-phrase that and make it 10 mph. Mr. Butcher does not recall ever using a special duty officer for this. Mr. Dunlap thinks this is something we need to keep on the 'back burner' if it continues.

Director of Operations: John Eisel

Mr. Eisel reported the annual DFWP training continues, and each employee should be finished by the end of this month.

The 2018 budgets are being developed for approval by the Board and submission to the County.

The Health Insurance Committee has met and believes it is in the best interest of the Township not to renew with the OPEC-HC Consortium. If we do not send a letter at least 6 months prior to our 1-1-2018 renewal, we will be committed for another 3 years. We have the opportunity to rescind our withdrawal prior to September 1, 2017. Melissa Tremblay and Mr. Eisel plan to attend the OPEC-HC Membership meeting on May 24. There is a resolution for consideration.

Holly Mattei and Mr. Eisel attended the May 11 Board meeting for the Fairfield 33 Alliance. Several policies in regards to travel and credit card expenses were presented and approved. Mr. Eisel provided a graphic that details the accomplishments, growth and future projections for the Alliance.

Holly Mattei has coordinated several meetings with potential developers and is working to revitalize the Port Authority. She is currently reaching out to the previous Board members to gauge interest in continuing to serve and will coordinate a meeting.

She has also submitted our Letter of Intent for the MORPC Technical Assistance Grant.

There was a CLOUT board meeting on May 15. Mr. Eisel provided a copy of the legislative items that were passed by the House and pending in the Senate. We are also discussing sponsoring a keynote speaker at the next conference.

May 18 is the Pickerington Area Chamber of Commerce luncheon. Mr. Eisel was asked to participate in a round table event to discuss *What is a township and why is it important to residents and business owners?* Also to discuss current development.

Ridgeview Jr. High School will have approximately 50 students at the Maintenance Center & Dog Park on May 22 to help us with a number of clean up tasks at the center and dog park.

Mr. Eisel reported Ms. Sarko provided detailed information regarding a nuisance declaration for 6185 Mamie Drive and is working in conjunction with Fairfield County Health Department and Sheriff's office. He had a resolution for consideration

A work session is scheduled for Monday June 12 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Mr. Myers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0517-01 – To Receive Proposed Amendment (Case No. 05-ZC-2016) to the Violet Township Zoning Resolution and to Establish a Public Hearing Date of Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative Offices. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0517-06 – A Resolution Declaring the Property Owned by William and Darlin Juris Known as 6185 Mamie Drive in Violet Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, a Nuisance. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Discussion: Mr. Myers asked if we had been there before. Mr. Eisel said we had. Mr. Eisel believes the property is vacant. **Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0517-08 – Notice of Withdrawal from OPEC-HC. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Discussion: Mr. Dunlap asked if this buys us time until September so the committee can look around. Mr. Eisel said we have the opportunity to send them a letter to rescind this withdrawal prior to September 1. Mr. Dunlap also asked if Mr. Eisel new if the changing it to one year (instead of three years) would this be effective before we withdrawal; if we do in September or would we be locked in for another three years. Mr. Eisel said he would know that answer to that after the May 24th meeting. Mr. Eisel added that if the amendments pass they would take effect after the first of the year. **Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

Brian Sauer: Fiscal Officer

Mr. Sauer had one resolution to appropriate funds from the CEDA fund that we currently have to be able to go ahead and pay for the crack sealing and other maintenance projects for that area. **Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0517-07 – Supplemental Appropriations. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

Trustee Reports:

Mr. Monhollen reported he attended the Pickerington City Council meeting. They presented Economic Development Director, Liberty Schindell with a proclamation recognizing Economic Development week in Pickerington. On Channel 6 news it showed Violet Township Women's League presented a check to pay for protective vests for our canine officer's dog, *Foe*.

Meetings (where there may be more than one Trustee present): Chamber of Luncheon is Thursday, May 18, 2017 at the Pickerington Senior Center at 11:30. Mr. Dunlap may try to attend.

Old Business: None

Tabled Business: None

New Business: The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative offices.

Pay Bills:

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

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. Seconded by Mr. Myers. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Myers, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Motion carries 3-0.

Brian C. Sauer, Fiscal Officer

Joniann Goldberg, Administrative
Assistant

Approved by:

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

Darrin Monhollen, Trustee

Harry W. Myers, Jr., Trustee

Date: _____