

Violet Township Board of Trustees

May 16, 2018
Regular Meeting

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

Mr. Sauer called the role: Mr. Darrin Monhollen, Mr. Terry Dunlap and Mrs. Melissa Wilde were present. Other Township Personnel present were: Brian Sauer, Fiscal Officer; John Eisel, Director of Operations; Greg Butcher, Township Engineer; Mike Little; Fire Chief; Assistant Fire Chief Jim Paxton; Holly Mattei; Development Director

Mr. Monhollen asked students from Fairfield Elementary – Jamison Mann and Kierre Grice to lead the Trustees in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence honoring those who have given us all our freedom. Mr. Monhollen then presented each of the students with a certificate of appreciation and a special pin.

Mr. Dunlap moved to accept, without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the regular Trustee Meeting of May 2, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap moved to accept without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Officer, the minutes of the Public Hearing for Violet Meadows Section 5 Phase 1 Meeting of May 2, 2018. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Public Comments:

Jeremy Williams of 124 Ellington Blvd, Granville, Ohio was present. He explained there were three of them that were in need of an Eagle Project for service time and wondered if there was anything they could do to benefit Violet Township. Mr. Eisel asked Mr. Williams to see him or Mr. Butcher with his contact information before they left as they had a potential project for them to help with.

County Authorities:

None

Departmental Reports:

Fire Chief: Mike Little

Chief Little had (4) resolutions.

Chief Little reported overall they are about 10% ahead of last year's run volume. and most of that is in fire runs. EMS transports are about the same as last year and EMS revenues are about 5% ahead of last year.

We held our first joint training of the year with Truro and West Licking fire departments at the Ohio Fire Academy and all went well.

Lt. J.D. Postage is being honored by Fairfield County ADAMH Board as their Friend of the Board on May 22nd dinner at Rule 3. Chief Little and Chief Paxton will attend.

All of our personal that have been on long term injury leave are back to work.

Lt. Ron Metzger will be retiring and his last shift will be June 9. They will have an Open House for him on June 6th.

Part time testing for the upcoming fulltime openings was completed. We have a list of people to choose from for any fulltime openings that will be upcoming.

Chief Hein from Truro Township is retiring the first week of June. Asst. Chief Jeff Sharps will become the new fire chief at Truro.

Chief Little will be out of town May 28 – 31st. Chief Paxton will be here.

Regarding Station 591 – exterior items are getting finished (painting, landscaping, etc.) All the interior items are done. Chief Paxton and Firefighters Jim Barber and Liz Smith were at 591 cleaning today to get ready for move-in on May 17th. We will move the Pickerington Chamber in there the following Monday, May 21st. We are looking at June 29th for a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony from 1-4pm.

The first resolution is to transfer \$300,000.00 to the bond retirement fund. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0516-01 – Transfer of Funds. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

The next resolution was to purchase window treatments for 591 at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00. **Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0516-02 – Purchase Window Treatments for New Fire Station 591. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

The next resolution was to accept the occupancy of new Fire Station 591. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0516-03 – Accept Occupancy of Newly Completed Fire Station 591. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

The last resolution is a correction to resolution 2018-0502-11 Purchase Beds & Mattresses for Station 591. We inadvertently had the wrong appropriation fund account. This is just a housekeeping issue to correct. **Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0516-04 – Correction to Resolution 2018-0502-11 – Purchase Beds & Mattresses for New Station 591.**

Mr. Dunlap asked if we would have 1 or 2 Lieutenant openings. Chief Little said 2 new Lieutenant openings and 2 new hires.

Township Engineer: Greg Butcher

Mr. Butcher reported he had no update on the 2018 Paving Program other than the contractor is working on the City of Pickerington's project. They are in town and Mr. Butcher anticipates some movement here within the next few weeks.

We took our new dump truck to the City of Pickerington's Touch a Truck event this past weekend. There were over 2,000 people there.

All forms have been submitted relating to OSOT Winter Fill Cooperating Purchasing Contract.

Mowing of parks, cemeteries and other township properties is ongoing.

OPWC Projects – Curb Replacement and Mamie Drive Culvert Replacement will be out for bid within the next 2 weeks.

On Tuesday, May 8 several volunteers from Grace Church worked with Township staff to collect about 15 bags of litter on Allen Road between SR 256 and US 33.

A speed trailer has been placed on Haaf Farms Drive for the last 2 weeks.

Mr. Eisel, Mr. Butcher, the Mayor of Canal Winchester and 2 of their staff had their annual CEDA meeting that recaps the past year.

Mrs. Wilde asked if there was something we could do to keep up with the mowing. Mr. Butcher said this year in particular is a bit problematic as they have an employee that is off due to a back surgery. This is a 25% reduction in staff. The other problem is that about 16 days ago they were putting snow plows and salt spreaders away and then it got real hot and real wet real quick. We could contract with other landscaping companies or disregard the other tasks that we committed to (which are important) and dedicate staff to 100% coverage to mowing unlike other agencies that have a water and sewer department to supplement a road department. We really need to recognize what we can do. Mr. Eisel added that we had agreed about 3 years ago that we would let the grass grow in the spring at the Dog Park to alleviate problems with mud. The grass there has been mowed and will be mowed again before Memorial Day. Mr. Butcher reported he has generated a spreadsheet over the last week of all of their activities they have committed to and will send the document to the Trustees. Mr. Dunlap added they are at 50% reduction because they also have someone on vacation. There are some part-timers starting when school is out.

Mr. Dunlap asked if Mr. Butcher had a chance to look at Deer Run. Mr. Butcher said he had and that it needs some attention.

Director of Operations: John Eisel

Mr. Eisel reported we have met with the GovDeals rep and the affected people now have their logins, passwords. Our first item has been sold and we got our asking price.

The Light Central Blue Campaign ends today.

Mrs. Mattei has been working on the Economic Development Website with the vendor The Golden Shovel. Her goal is to go live June 1. We will also be tying in to the Economic Development Website; a section of the website that will be devoted to the Community Center that we can steer people to for updates and we will begin to develop a 'frequently asked questions' to help mitigate some of the rumors that may be beginning and squelch some of that.

All the carpets were cleaned in the Admin office on Saturday, May 12.

The public meeting for the Community Center was held May 10 and 174 persons were in attendance. Focus group meetings have already begun.

Robin Duffee (MORPC Intern) began with us Monday, May 14.

On May 23 Mr. Butcher and Mr. Eisel will be working with 50-60 students from Ridgeview Jr. High on various cleanup projects for 'Make a Difference Day'.

Mr. Eisel will be out of town June 1 through June 8.

The Grange Flag Retirement Ceremony will be held June 11 at 7pm at the Maintenance Facility.

Due to scheduling, the September 19 Trustee meeting has been moved to Monday, September 17, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.

The first resolution is to authorize the Issuance of Notes. It does not bind us to do it but merely passes the legislative action to permit us. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0516-05 – Issuance of Notes. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes, Resolution carries 3-0.**

The next resolution is to approve the (5) year Lease Agreement for the Pickerington Senior Center. Our legal counsel has cleaned it up and signed off on it. **Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-0516-06 – Authorize Lease Agreement with the Pickerington Senior Center. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0516-07 – Authorize Real Estate Purchase Contract. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.

Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0502-13 – To Approve Final Plat for Violet Meadows Section 5 Phase 1. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.

Brian Sauer: Fiscal Officer

Mr. Sauer reported as far as audits go this was probably the smoothest one to date as far as in the office.

Trustee Reports:

Mrs. Wilde reported she had her meeting with Landbank and there was an Open House for the new building in Lancaster.

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, June 6, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative offices. Chief Little respectively requested to move the start time to 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of knowing they will have potential promotions and hiring's at that meeting. The Trustees all agreed this would be a good idea.

Pay Bills:

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

Mr. Dunlap made a motion at 8:06 p.m. to go in to Executive Session per the Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) (1) to discuss/consider personnel issues and Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) (2) to consider the purchase of property for public purpose and Ohio Revised Code Section 121.21 (G)(8) to consider confidential information related to negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance to include the (3) Trustees, Mr. Eisel. Mr. Sauer, Mrs. Mattei and Legal Counsel. Mr. Butcher, Chief Little and Assistant Chief Paxton were needed for the first session. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 10:18 p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:19 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Brian C. Sauer, Fiscal Officer

Joniann Goldberg, Administrative Assistant

Approved by:

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

Darrin Monhollen, Trustee

Melissa S. Wilde, Trustee

Date: _____