

Violet Township Board of Trustees

March 20, 2019

Regular Meeting

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

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

Mr. Monhollen asked the audience to join him in the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence honoring those who have given us all our freedom here at home and abroad.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 6, 2019 Regular meeting without public reading as submitted by the Fiscal Office. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Motion carried 3-0.

Public Comment:

William Hawbecker Jr. of 9230 Preakness Place, Pickerington was present. He shared about residents still being confused about who gets to vote for the levy. He said their reactions are mixed and said Pickerington is sending a letter to their residents informing them about the levy. Mr. Hawbecker asked that the Trustees revisit sending residents an official notification.

County Authorities: Township Law Director, Josh Horacek was present.

Departmental Reports:

Fire Chief: Mike Little

Chief Little reported for the month of February they were dead even for their runs compared to last year at 1121 They had 1122 last year.

Transports are up and revenues are down.

It was a significant month for training. About 14% of their time was dedicated to training.

Chief Little presented the Trustees with a 2018 year-end report. This is really a snapshot of what they do and what has been done in 2018.

At the MORPC State of the Region luncheon it was decided and awarded that MECC dispatching (RCOG dispatching) will be honored with the William C. Habig Award. This is one of the top awards MORPC gives out every year for collaboration and it has become quite the collaborative effort on the eastside of Columbus throughout Licking, Fairfield and Franklin County.

Lieutenant Belcher will be retiring on May 3rd. There will be an Open House for him at Station 592 on that day from 1-4 p.m. Mr. Dunlap asked if him staying on as a volunteer would affect anything. Chief Little said it would not and Ron Metzger did the same thing. Mr. Eisel added his retirement party will be May 11th at the Wigwam at 6:00 p.m.

Chief Little had (4) resolutions for consideration.

The first resolution was for a Medic Body purchase. We are prepared to move forward with the purchase of a Horton 623 Type 1 aluminum medic body conversion to be mounted on our previously purchased medic chassis. The cost of this medic body is \$179,365.67 to come from our Capital Fund... **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-0330-01 – Medic Body Purchase. Mrs. Wilde seconded the**

motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carried 3-0.

The next resolution was to purchase new fire hose. Our current fire hose is aged and worn and it is time to replace a portion of it. The total cost of the replacement will not exceed \$6,000.00 and coming out of the Capital Fund. **Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-0320-02 – Purchase Fire Hose. Mr. Dunlap seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carried 3-0.**

The next resolution is to move forward with the purchase of (1) 2019 Chevrolet Impala from Jack Maxton Chevrolet. This vehicle will replace the current Fire Chief vehicle and that vehicle will then be utilized as EMS-591 for the EMS Coordinator. The total cost will not exceed \$26,000.00 and coming out of the Capital Fund. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-0320-03 – Purchase 2019 Chevrolet Impala. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Discussion:** Mr. Dunlap asked if it was on state bid and asked if we have to bid it. Chief Little said the Chevrolet Impala is not on the state bid but is in comparison with everything that is on the state bid. The only thing that was on there that was comparable was a Dodge Charger. It was listed as \$25,500. We are in the parameters of the state bid. Since it is under \$50,000 we don't have to bid it by law. **Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carried 3-0.**

The last resolution is to reclassify Ryan Wunder to the position of Part-Time Level 2 Firefighter with an effective date of April 1, 2019, with a probationary period of one-year as defined in the Fire Department Rules and Regulations at an hourly rate of \$14.00. **Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-0320-04 – Reclassify Part-Time Level 1 Firefighter to Part-Time Level 2. Mr. Dunlap seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carried 3-0.**

Township Engineer, Greg Butcher (absent)

Mr. Eisel reported for Mr. Butcher.

Potholes are being filled daily as needed

The paving bid is being finalized and will be advertised within a few days.

Weight limit reductions have been posted on Allen Road, Saylor Road and Stemen Road. This has communicated to the Engineer's and Sheriff's Offices...

Mr. Dunlap said the bids for the paving probably would have been ready to go but there is an issue on the chip seal that we want to do under different specs rather than just dribble on tar we want to scrub seal which brushes the tar in. Ault Road was done with scrub seal and lasted well so we are trying to get the specs from the people in Michigan who did Ault Road.

Director of Operations – John Eisel

Wigwam Update:

- Site work for the courtyard – Conduit for future electric to this area and drainage work continues. The retaining wall has been poured and the Road Crew completed significant work during good weather last week.
- Doors - Installation began on the 14th.
- Security will be finished when doors are completed.
- All required door hardware has been ordered.
- Carpeting / flooring is complete in the office area. They are focused on the lodge area right now.
- Lodge work is underway – video wall installations, repairs to the wall paper, bathroom install and cleanup
- Community service workers will be present the 25th and 26th to work on cleaning the Lodge, offices and outside areas if time permits

- Office Generator – we finally have arrived at the solution for the offices and the necessary equipment has been ordered with an 18 week lead time installation and cut over will be scheduled for a Saturday as not to disrupt our normal business
- Blinds and window treatments are ordered for the offices, conference room and Trustee meeting room
- There were 2 resolutions for consideration regarding staffing

6540 Riverton Circle will be offered for the Sheriffs Sale on April 12. If it doesn't sell for the required minimum of \$133,000 it will become the property of the Land Bank. Mr. Eisel thanked Josh Horacek for his hard work on this.

AFLAC annual open enrollment is March 19, 20 & 21 at fire station 592. This is not required but optional if changes are decided to your supplemental plans.

Chairman Monhollen will be speaking at the State of the Community luncheon on March 21, 2019. 20 minutes will be allotted to share plans and progress.

Upcoming Events –

The Pickerington Area Chamber Luncheon is March 21 to be held at Zion Church beginning at 11:30 a.m.

The Pickerington Food Pantry Gala Event at the Wigwam is March 30th beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The first resolution is to authorize the Director of Operations to Retain a Part-Time Employee Elizabeth Griffith to work on an 'as needed' basis at a rate of \$15.00 an hour at the Wigwam starting March 20th. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-0320-05 – Authorize Director of Operations to Retain Part-Time Employee. Mrs. Wilde seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carried 3-0.**

The second resolution authorizes the hourly rate of part-time employee Barbie Weidner from \$30.00 an hour to \$25.00 an hour with an effective date of March 18, 2019. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-03-20-06 – Revision of hourly rate. Mrs. Wilde seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carried 3-0.**

The second resolution is for a revision of hourly rate.

The last resolution was for a zoning application for the Wigwam property at 10190 Blacklick-Eastern Road. The zoning Commission passed this last night unanimously. The resolution is to accept that and to establish a public hearing date of Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative offices. **Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-0320-07 – To Receive Proposed Amendment (Case No. 01-ZC-2019) to the Violet Township Zoning Resolution and to Establish a Public Hearing Date. Mr. Dunlap seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mrs., Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carried 3-0.**

Mr. Dunlap asked if we got a price to do the drapes for the video walls and the 2 murals. Mr. Eisel said not yet because once they have the projectors installed they will know how much they have on each side and then they will come out and measure.

Fiscal Officer – Brian Sauer:

Mr. Sauer was absent. Mrs. Tremblay reported that the February Bank Reconciliation was in the packet for signatures.

Trustee Reports:

Mr. Dunlap reported last year they had a meeting with the Sheriff's Dept, Highway Patrol and Weights and Measures in regards to the semi-truck traffic on Allen Road, Stemen Road and Allen Road. where they cannot make the turns. They were trying to find some

solutions and nothing has occurred. He asked if there is anything we can do to prohibit or otherwise control that truck traffic that is tearing up the corners and the light poles. Mr. Horacek said he thought they did set on looking into turning ratios with some of those roads. He will get with Greg and see where they are on this. Mr. Dunlap asked if we could post 'NO TRUCKS OVER 45 FEET'. Mr. Horacek said he thinks we can but he will have to look into it and get back to Mr. Dunlap. Mr. Dunlap said if we can't could we put up yellow with black advisory signs cautioning them that they cannot make the turns (if we can't put up the black and white enforcement signs. Mr. Horacek remembers the issues but does not remember that the Highway Patrol got back on this.

Mr. Horacek advised not to send a direct mailing to the residents advertising the levy. It is not statutorily allowed.

Mr. Dunlap stated we spend Violet Township money to pay for (3) deputies. Half their time is scheduled in Liberty Township. Are we permitted to spend Violet Township tax dollars to subsidize police protection for Liberty Township. Mr. Horacek said that generally speaking it is not a good idea, but he would have to look at the agreement between Violet Township and the Sheriff's office to see how those funds are being precisely allocated. Mr. Horacek will look into this.

Meetings where there may be more than one (1) Trustee present:

March 21st is the State of the Community Luncheon.

March 30th at 7:00 p.m. is the Gala event at the Wigwam

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 3, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at the Violet Township Administrative offices.

Pay Bills:

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

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to take a 10 minute recess at 8:04 p.m. and then go into Executive Session per the Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(3) – Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action. Mr. Monhollen seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to go in to Executive Session at 8:14 p.m. to include the (3) Trustees, Holly Mattei, John Eisel and Legal Council Jennifer Huber. Mr. Monhollen seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Mrs. Wilde, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Dunlap made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:51 p.m. Mrs. Wilde seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Motion carried 3-0

Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 p.m.. Mr. Dunlap seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Sauer, Fiscal Officer

Joniann Goldberg,
Administrative Assistant

Approved by:

Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

Darrin Monhollen, Trustee

Melissa Wilde., Trustee

Date: _____