Violet Township Board of Trustees

February 5, 2020

Public Hearing – Additional License Tax Fee

Mr. Dunlap explained they have to have (2) public hearings in regards to the additional license tax fee. Last year the State of Ohio did give Townships the right to add a $5 License Fee. We can only do that to the people who live in the unincorporated area. We cannot put that on people who live in parts of Reynoldsburg, Canal Winchester, Lithopolis or Pickerington as it is only on the unincorporated. We currently have one and it has been 20 some years ago.

Kathy Jenson of 10010 Oxford Drive was present. She asked if this was to make the fee $10. Mr. Dunlap said it would be an additional $5 added to what you are paying now.

Rick Boder of 8919 Chevington Chase was present. He asked what the additional funds go to. Mr. Dunlap said it goes to the Road Department for maintenance, salt, paving and things of that sort.

Norm Hopkins of 11300 Milnor Road was present. Mr. Hopkins asked how much did we take in at 5,000. Mr. Dunlap wasn’t sure but he said sometimes it varies. Mr. Drobina said in December they took in $2969.00. Mr. Dunlap said the fact that we don’t have an income tax and we are limited on our revenue we feel this privilege that we look at that and look at alternative sources of revenue.

Mr. Boder said one thing he has noticed is the Amazon effect. We have 18 wheel semis cutting up through the Township on their way out on roads not designed to handle that weight. Mr. Dunlap said that is currently in front of the Fairfield County Prosecutor and they are putting the final touches on the ordinance that we will pass to prohibit trucks on certain roads. They are trying to work out the details now because we don’t have a Township court like Pickerington has a Mayor’s Court. They are working out the language as to what state code would be appropriate that we could send it to the Municipal Court in Lancaster. We probably will not get any money back from that but at least it can be enforced.

Mr. Monhollen made a motion to close the public hearing at 8:07 p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries.

Mrs. Wi Dunlap made a motion to close the public hearing and return to the regular meeting at 8:23 p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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Brian Sauer, Fiscal Officer          Joniann Goldberg, Administrative Assistant

Approved by:

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Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

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Darrin Monhollen, Trustee

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Melissa Wilde, Trustee