

## Violet Township Board of Trustees

February 19, 2020

Regular Meeting

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

**Mr. Sauer called the roll: Mr. Darrin Monhollen, Mr. Terry Dunlap, Sr. and Mrs. Melissa Wilde were present. Other Township Personnel present were: Township Administrator, Edward Drobina; Fire Chief, Mike Little; Assistant Fire Chief, James Paxton and Fiscal Officer, Brian Sauer.**

Mr. Dunlap 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. Monhollen made a motion to accept as submitted by the Fiscal Office without public reading, the minutes of the 02-05-2020 regular meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Mr. Monhollen made a motion to accept as submitted by the Fiscal Office without public reading, the minutes of the 02-05-2020 Public Hearing for Additional License Fee. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

### **Public Comment:**

None

### **County Authorities**

Josh Horacek

### **Departmental Reports:**

#### **Fire Chief: Mike Little**

Chief Little had no resolutions but did have some updates.

Chief Little reported there was a slight decrease in runs and transports compared to January of 2019. EMS revenues had a good month \$83K.

We received RFQ's from 4 architect firms.

There was a community medic roundtable at UA today.

They have a meeting with JMY Law on Friday regarding the Personnel Policy Manual Update. We hope to have a final draft done and ready to review after this meeting.

Chief Little will be on vacation the week of February 24 through 28.

Chief Little is traveling to Tampa for Lt. Postage award dinner on March 3 and returning March 4.

Mr. Dunlap asked about the policy manual and if it was the Township's or the Fire Department. Chief Little said it was the Township's Policy Manual.

### **Township Administrator, Ed Drobina**

Mr. Drobina reported Local Waste Services has offered an 18-month extension with base rate of \$14.50/month and subscription recycling at 4.45/month. Or a 3-year extension of \$14.70 for trash and subscription recycling at \$4.45 per month. We met with Rumpke and at this time they are not interested in adding the township to the City of Pickerington's contract. Our only choice now is to extend the contract with Local Waste until we bid, if that is the direction we want to go.

We met with a representative from Strawser Construction to discuss different road maintenance materials other than the normal mill and fill.

The Road Department employees attended the OTA Winter Conference.

If we put the Road Levy Renewal on the ballot this fall we will prepare a resolution for next Trustee meeting. Mr. Dunlap said he spoke to the head of the Board of Elections and they told him they do not have any more special elections. It would be either General or Primary. If there is nothing else on the ballot in the primary they consider that now a special election. If it is a General election, we are fine. If it is a Primary and there is no statewide or countywide issues that are on the primary then we pay for it. They asked Ed to look into how much it would cost to run a special election during a primary.

We contacted the Columbus Wedding Show and they have two events per year. A 2 day event in January at a cost of \$1250.00 plus \$50.00 for electric and a one day event in August for \$650.00 plus \$5.00 for electric. If we were to sign up for both of them there is a \$100.00 discount.

We met with iHeart Media to discuss advertising ideas for the Event Center. There are a lot of ways we could go. Mr. Drobina recommended having some kind of work session to discuss the Event Center.

We have leaking roofs on the Theater and also on the Event Center, they were temporarily repaired.

MS4 Public Participation meeting scheduled for March 2<sup>nd</sup> at Fairfield Utilities, public participation is a requirement of our NPDES permit. The initial plan is to coordinate with City of Pickerington, Pickerington Schools, Coyote Run, and County Parks and do a stream clean-up along Sycamore Creek.

Mr. Drobina and Robin Duffee will attend the Chamber's Business Advocacy Committee meeting on February 19<sup>th</sup>.

The State of the Community Luncheon is scheduled for Thursday March 19 at Zion Church at 11:30.

Mr. Drobina had information he passed out the Trustees. He and Robin have been working on a rack card that they can take to the Visitor's Bureau.

Mr. Drobina also had a proposal from the Chamber for 2021.

There is a draft resolution prohibiting through trucks. Mr. Horczak said it was a home rule resolution that suits through trucks; i.e. trucks not going to a particular location on a certain number of Township roads. Civil fines will be enforced under Home Rule Township rules.

Mr. Drobina reported Violet Township Women's League is requesting a flyer posted on the Township webpage. The Trustees all agreed to put it out there.

Mr. Drobina had a copy of the truck radius return evaluation.

We received a check for \$29,943.78 for the CEDA.

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-0219-04 – For Allowable Weight Reduction on Township Roads for 2020. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

**Mrs. Wilde made a motion to advance on Home Rule Resolution 2020-HR0219-01 – Exotic Animal Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0. (First Reading)**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to remove Resolution 2020-0219-01 – Time Change for Trustee Regular Meetings and Public Hearings from the agenda. Mr. Monhollen seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-0219-02 – A Resolution to Approve Certain Expenditures in Connection with Business Meetings, Training and Events Open to the Public. Mr. Dunlap seconded the motion. Discussion:** Mr. Horacek said that the State Auditor has said that if certain expenditures are going to be made for refreshments or drinks for a public meeting the Board of Trustees needs to approve this in advance in order for it to be considered a proper public purpose. It will allow those expenditures to be made as long as they are made in accordance with this policy. It does not have a specific dollar amount. It has to meet the criteria of the resolution. Mr. Monhollen asked what would not meet the criteria of the resolution. Mr. Horacek said the line item would be covered under whatever the departmental budget is. **Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution 2020-0219-02 carries 3-0.**

**Elected Officials:**

Mr. Sauer reported they did get the books closed. Just working on getting things finalized for the office.

Mr. Sauer had one resolution. **Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-0219-03 – Resignation of Township Assistant Fiscal Officer. Mrs. Wilde seconded the motion. Discussion:** Mrs. Wilde said she was trying to understand this and Mr. Sauer explained this was to cross the t's and dot the l's. **Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution carries 3-0.**

**Trustee Reports:** Mrs. Wilde had a question on the Port Authority. She said we would be bonding Vanessa Niecamp but asked if Robin also need to be bonded. Mr. Horacek said he is not the legal advisor for the Port Authority. Mr. Drobina also recommended having a work session on the Port Authority.

Mr. Sauer said that OTARMA usually takes care of all the bonding.

Mr. Monhollen said he met with the Complete Count Committee at City Hall. They are moving along with promoting the Census. There continues to be a push to get the word out.

Mr. Dunlap will leave for vacation tomorrow and back on March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Meetings where there may be more than one (1) Trustee present:** Chamber Luncheon tomorrow.

**Old Business:** None

**Tabled Business:** None

**New Business:**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Violet Township Board of Trustees will be on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the new Violet Township Administrative offices located at 10190 Blacklick Eastern Road.

**Pay Bills:**

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

**Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m. Mrs. Wilde seconded the motion. 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

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Joniann Goldberg,  
Administrative Assistant

Approved by:

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Terry J. Dunlap, Sr., Trustee

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Darrin Monhollen, Trustee

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Melissa Wilde., Trustee