

## Violet Township Board of Trustees

March 4, 2020

Regular Meeting

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

**Mr. Drobina 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. Mr. Sauer was absent.**

**Mr. Dunlap asked students from Heritage Elementary – Webelo Scouts Alaina Geiger, Isla Shoup and Charlie Greer to join him in leading 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 gave them each a certificate and pin for their presence.**

**Mr. Monhollen made a motion to accept as submitted by the Fiscal Office without public reading, the minutes of the 02-19-2020 regular meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

### **Public Comment:**

Norman Hopkins of 11300 Milnor Road was present. He congratulated the Trustees for having a clean record at the Fairfield County Finance Office for the budget. He also wanted it to be clear that he loves Violet Township.

### **County Authorities**

None

### **Departmental Reports:**

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

The first resolution is accepting the resignation of Chad Marohl effective February 21, 2020. **Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-0304-03 – Accept Resignation of Part-Time Level 2 Firefighters. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution passes 3-0.**

The second resolution was to negotiate a contract for criteria architect services for Station 592 renovation project. **Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-0304-04 – Negotiate Contract Criteria Architect Services Fire Station 592 Renovation Project. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution passes 3-0.**

Mr. Dunlap asked how the reception was for J.D. Postage in Florida. Chief Little said all went well.

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

Mr. Drobina reported he had a resolution for the Local Waste extension.

Road Department completed the 2019 inventory, did some pothole repair, installed reduce weight limit signs, and equipment maintenance.

Mr. Drobina has a set of plans for the ODOT Project FAI-204A if anyone wants to review them. Project consists of asphalt resurfacing on St. Rt. 204 from St. Rt. 158 to St. Rt. 256. In addition, lane widening for right turn lane at Harmon Road and new traffic signals. Project sells on May 21<sup>st</sup> with award scheduled for June 1<sup>st</sup>.

At the February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting Mr. Drobina was asked to get cost of a special election. The cost ranges from \$1300 to \$1700 per precinct. To post the same question on a general election the total cost would be around \$1200 total.

Robert and Ed will be preparing a list of items to dispose of using online auction; the list will be presented to the board before listed on auction site.

Mr. Drobina and Robert looked at the building that is planned to be used for community meetings. Ed suggested we have an architect prepare plans so we can get an accurate estimate on remodeling the structure.

Mr. Drobina is having a certified electrician move the parking lot light switch from the guardhouse to just outside the side door.

Mr. Drobina had someone inquire about using the field area for Lacrosse practice and games. Mr. Dunlap recommended they use Busey Road Park as there is plenty of space and it is open 7 days a week from dusk until dark.

Motion to approve PACC proposal for 2021. Ed will go ahead and take care of getting that done.

The State of the Community Luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at Zion Church at 11:30 a.m. Mr. Dunlap will be speaking.

Mr. Drobina reported we have three candidates for the Zoning Commission. The Trustees would like to set something up to interview them.

Pickerington Central is asking if we want to advertise in the awards program.

Regarding the Wigwam Event Center – So far, we have booked 23 events. That is 40 events for 2020. So far, we have taken in \$21,475.00. Once everyone has paid, we will make \$101,075.00.

The Tire Collection Day in Lancaster is Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> from 9am to noon.

Mr. Drobina said elected officials and Fiscal Officers are normally bonded but you can get insurance now. He spoke to Josh Horacek and he said the County is moving towards getting insurance. Mr. Dunlap said we need to check with our insurance people from OTARMA. This would be for Vanessa right now. Mrs. Niekamp said it also includes the Trustees. Mr. Drobina will have Josh Horacek look at it again and prepare a resolution.

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to approve the second reading of Home Rule Resolution 2020-HR0219-01 – Exotic Animal Resolution. Mr. Monhollen seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Second Reading for Home Rule Resolution 2020-HR0219-01 passes 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt 2020-HR0219-01 – Exotic Animal Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Resolution 2020-HR0219-01 passes 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to approve the first reading of 2020-HR0304-01 – A Resolution to Prohibit Thru Trucks on Certain Township Roads. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen; yes. First Reading of Home Rule Resolution 2020-HR-0304- A Resolution to Prohibit Thru Trucks on Certain Township Roads passes 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to move 2020 HR0304-01 forward to the second reading. Mrs. Wilde seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. 2020-HR0304-01 moves forward to the second reading passes 3-0.**

**Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-0304-01 – A Resolution Declaring it Necessary to Levy a Tax Outside the Ten-mill Limitation for a Renewal Road Improvement Levy at the November 3, 2020 General Election. Mr. Monhollen seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Resolution passes 3-0.**

**Mrs. Wilde made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-0304-02 – A Resolution to Designate a Portion of Busey Road Park for an All-Inclusive Playground. Seconded by Mr. Dunlap. Discussion:** Mrs. Wilde said this was the playground they talked about over a year ago and she spent time talking to parents with kids with disabilities and they decided this was the best location for it. We are donating the land and now we can apply for grants. **Roll call vote: Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution passes 3-0.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-0304-05 – Authorize Township Administrator to Sign Contract with Local Waste for Extension. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes. Resolution passes 3-0.**

The Trustees will meet on March 17 at 3:30 p.m. to do a Work Session for the Wigwam.

Mr. Monhollen said he looked at the schedule where the Chamber is looking for those in-kind dates and one of them is October 2, which is a Friday. He asked if we have checked with Barbie to make sure she is good with that date.

**Mr. Monhollen made a motion to recess the regular meeting and go into the Public Hearing for the Additional License Tax Fee. 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 close the public hearing and return to the regular meeting at 8:03 p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Wilde. Roll call vote: Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes; Mr. Dunlap, yes. Motion carries 3-0.**

**Elected Officials:**

Mr. Sauer was absent.

**Trustee Reports:**

Mr. Dunlap mentioned that on March 28 any citizen of Fairfield County could take 10 tires to the Lancaster Transfer Station.

On March 18 between 6 and 8 am at 1550 Sheridan Drive in Lancaster in the Board of Health Conference Room is an Operation Maintenance Program for those who have aerators or septic systems as they will have a question and answer session.

We have had three additional Eagle Scout Projects come in requesting to do projects. One wants to build a gazebo in our park in honor of John Eisel. Another troop that needs two and another troop that needs one project. We need to think of things they could do and/or at Harmon Park and/or at Busey Park.

Mr. Dunlap announced that the Ohio Department of Transportation received a grant of \$4.2 million dollars to build the Taylor Road Bridge. This will affect us because he is sure that it will necessitate them doing away with our back entrance. There is no way we will have a driveway there to come in the back. We need to talk to them about making a turn to come into our parking lot and that will give us 2-way access on Taylor Road. John had spoken to them before about granting us a left turn movement into our parking lot.

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

Chamber Luncheon March 19 at Zion Church at 11:30 am.

The Food Pantry Gala is March 14 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, March 18, 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. Dunlap made a motion to take 4 minute recess and then go into Executive Session Section ORC 121.22(G)(1) – To Consider the Employment of a Public Employee to include the 3 Trustees and the Township Administrator. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Motion carried.**

**Mr. Dunlap made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:22 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Monhollen. Roll call vote: Mr. Dunlap, yes; Mr. Monhollen, yes; Mrs. Wilde, yes. Motion carried.**

**Mr. Monhollen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 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

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Melissa Wilde., Trustee

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