

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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MADISON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES GROVEPORT, OHIO

REGULAR MEETING

August 17, 2016

The Madison Township Trustees met in regular session at 6:06 PM on August 17, 2016 at the Madison Township Community Center. Roll call showed the following trustees present: Mr. Edward B. Dildine, Mr. Victor Paini, and Mr. John Kershner. Mr. Dildine led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to open the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS REQUESTED BY THE BOARD

Police Captain James Dean gave a presentation about Shane Sagraves, a child within Madison Township, who faces many challenges in life each day and who was described as a great, strong, brave kid. He introduced Police Officer Nick Tiller, who had befriended Shane and brought him to the Department's attention. Together they made Shane an Honorary Police Officer. All present congratulated Shane, who accepted his badge in uniform.

Eric Shea, Continental Realtor, arrived and spoke following Fire Chief Bates' departmental presentation. He explained the request for the Township to be the applicant for a Saltzgaber OPWC Grant Application in which the Contractor would participate, due September 12th. A successful grant would allow the site at Saltzgaber and Groveport Roads to be prepared for a smaller warehouse building and ready for a tenant. All of that portion of Saltzgaber would be replaced and include a middle turn lane, including water and sewer.

Fire Chief Bates questioned not having an end user at this time and the need for specific tenant related sprinkler requirements. Mr. Shea noted that the building was to be built for light manufacturing Administrator Susan Brobst refreshed all present that the project had been discussed last year and the Board had decided not to pursue. At that time she had requested input from the Franklin County Engineer's office, as they are our usual OPWC grant assistance. Ted Beidler, of the Engineer's office, provided the original information and was present this evening.

Mr. Shea noted that he was here because of the stipulations that Groveport had imposed. Discussion ensued with Administrator Brobst noting the close timing issue for the grant deadline, the ongoing concern with traffic on Toy (what would be a \$1.2 Million project) and Swisher (what would be a \$2.1 Million project), with Saltzgaber being a third level project and Toy being the biggest concern. Chief Bates discussed this would be another facility his department would have to provide service with no tax income due to 100%/15 year abatement. Public Works Superintendent Weaver noted that Toy and Swisher cannot handle the traffic they have now. Mr. Shea mentioned that this first phase would lead to development in the southern portion of the property in a Phase II. Resident Gary McDonald had asked to address the issue, citing the continued headaches in the area and not receiving compensation for services.

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Administrator Brobst noted that she personally sympathized with the family and the Township knows that the property will be developed. She suggested working together in the future, sooner than later, not expecting a quick turnaround. Trustee Kershner noted that he did not want to stand in the way of development and would be willing to look at this issue in the future, if relief for major concerns were included. Trustee Painsi agreed with Trustee Kershner and began discussing the traffic problems and semis coming through yards. Mr. Shea interrupted and the discussion was abruptly ended. The Board is not interested in taking the lead on this project at this time. Administrator Brobst thanked Mr. Beidler for his assistance and attendance.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Reese Kenney, representing BlockWatch and Facebook's BLEC2, reminding all of the BlockWatch meetings every third Saturday of the month and specifically, the meeting scheduled for September 17th, 2:00 PM, at Eastland Christian Church, which will include the 2 hour class on Civilian Response to an Active Shooter. She advised that anyone with a concealed carry license, planning to attend, should leave their weapon at home. The Board was invited to attend. In response to Administrator Brobst, Ms. Kenney noted that they were still working toward a Community Clean-Up Day.

TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENTS:

Fire Chief Robert Bates gave a visual presentation of July departmental stats. He recognized FF Dildine for his efforts through the Insurance Committee, along with the Administrator, to get Ohio Health to participate in a Township cancer screening. Chief Bates also discussed meetings with three firms, all feeling that the budget for Station 183 is very much in line and doable. They provided some drawings, similar to our bubble-like presentation, and mentioned that their job would be easier because of the mass of work the Department had completed up front. The meetings were very valuable, they will submit formal packages, and the Board should expect a recommendation at next month's meeting.

Police Captain James Dean presented visual departmental statistics for the month of July. Public Works Superintendent Dave Weaver noted that the crack sealing process within the Township had been completed for the year. He noted that crosswalks were in the process of being painted with a longer lasting, more visible paint. He also reported that in the next couple of weeks road mowing and trimming will begin in preparation for the holiday.

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR:

Administrator Susan Brobst noted that Winchester Rd/Brice Rd should be opened by the end of September. With many questions from residents, she asked the Board of Health about mosquito spraying. It is not being done in Madison Township at this time as no West Nile carrying mosquitos have been found. If residents feel there are problems, they should call the Franklin County Board of Health directly. Administrator Brobst discussed the new marijuana law, beginning September 8th, phasing in over a two year period. The Township will need to change wording in some policies this fall and handbooks later, as well as do some departmental training.

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Mrs. Brobst also reported the success of getting Groveport and Madison Township included in MORPC's two southeast simultaneous studies of the Rickenbacker area and the Grove City through Canal Winchester corridor. Over the last 18 months the Township has pushed to get the warehouses and Toy Rd included in the studies.

She also discussed the Clearwater property where the home was demoed and the owner wished to give the property to the Township, noting that this is new territory for all involved. The Land Bank has accepted the proposal and they will be working on an agreement, expecting completion of the process by the end of the year. Then the Township will be able to market the property, for which Trustee Kershner has some ideas.

Administrator Brobst also reported that an agreement had been reached for a 3% wage opener with the FOP, for which a resolution is on the agenda. Negotiations will begin after the first of the year for a new contract. She also explained the resolution regarding delinquent tax properties and in response to Trustee Kershner, noted that the properties were vacant.

TOWNSHIP FISCAL OFFICER:

Fiscal Officer Barbara Adams noted that the current cash balance was \$4,386,623.32. She noted that the second half real estate tax settlement had just been received and at first glance appeared favorable. FO Adams also explained the need for the street lighting assessment resolution.

OLD BUSINESS:

Administrator Brobst gave an update on the potential Gender/Groveport Road improvement project with Canal Winchester and the resolution on the agenda for a letter of support. In response to a resident question, Trustee Paini noted that our portion is not expected to be near the \$132,000 figure previously discussed and the project would be of tremendous benefit with the OPTICOM system to be included. Administrator Brobst explained that money would not be coming from Road funds but Fire would be covering due to the OPTICOMs. Chief Bates reviewed the system and noted the great concern regarding traffic back-ups in the area.

Trustee Kershner reviewed Aqua Water having a major property with reduced property taxes and his two month old request for answers. Administrator Brobst confirmed that Aqua was still interested in an informational meeting for the Board but had not been able to confirm a date for all their parties involved. It will probably be after Labor Day. The Board agreed, at Trustee Kershner's request, that if information is not received soon, a letter may be sent from the Administrator. Trustee Kershner feels that he just needs answers to his four questions. Trustee Paini stated that he would still like to see a meeting. In response to a resident, Administrator Brobst noted that no date was yet known for the rate case public hearing.

Trustee Kershner had personally had the need to get fleet vehicle maintenance cost quotes from 8 different companies and would be forwarding that information to the departments for review in possibly helping the Township.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Administrator Brobst reported on complaints regarding a tree at 5248 Elmira Dr. The Township has been sending correspondence. The property owner has not responded. When the PW department has time, they may go in and complete, bill the property owner, assessing if necessary just as in mowing. She noted that this is a several month process. Administrator Brobst also discussed the need for a Township resident to serve as an appointee to serve County, Groveport, Canal Winchester TIRC/CHRA for 2017 and attend a review committee daytime meeting once a year. Current appointees are Mrs. Brobst and Bob Garvin, who is no longer able to attend. She asked that any ideas be given to her so that she can speak with the possible appointees, as a quorum is needed for the meeting to occur and they must be able to attend.

Administrator Brobst also noted that Trick or Treat is set for October 31, 2016, in line with MORPC designation for the event. She also discussed receiving a list of tax delinquent properties in the Township and the need for the resolution to prepare for foreclosures on the seven properties with demolished homes meeting the proper requirements, currently asking for those that have been through the Land Bank. Their delinquent balance goes away, we take ownership of the properties, and then the Township is able to sell them in an effort to regain some tax base and not have to use tax dollars to maintain the properties.

Public Works Superintendent Dave Weaver gave an in-depth presentation on crack sealing using a rubberized emulsion followed by chip. This has a temporary dust disadvantage, which goes away quickly, but is the least expensive way to add 7-10 years of life in a damaged area. Discussion ensued. In response to resident questions, it was noted that the budget does not allow for other much more expensive options, requiring the base of the road be stabilized first. FO Adams also noted that the roads for which we could ask for Issue II assistance do not qualify for high enough points to be granted assistance, as they are not major arteries. Trustee Paine thanked PW Super Weaver for this presentation and the walk-through in Marwick prior to tonight's meeting.

Administrator Brobst reminded of the 9-11 Ceremony scheduled for Sunday, September 11th, 3 PM at the Motts Military Museum, which will be open from 1 – 5 PM. Trustee Paine noted that the museum houses the second largest 9-11 collection of memorabilia, the first being in New York.

Trustee Paine noted that he was serving on the newly formed MORPC standing Regional Data Advisory Committee working to collect and share regional information and build websites for sharing data.

Administrator Brobst discussed the need for a SWACO Solid Waste Management Plan Advisory Board representative from the Township. Discussion ensued and Trustee Kershner was drafted.

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RESOLUTIONS:

126-16 ACCEPT MINUTES REG JULY 13, MEETING

Mr. Paini moved to accept the minutes of the regular July 13, 2016 meeting as presented. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

127-16 ACCEPT RESIGNATION – PART-TIME FF RAYMOND CUNNINGHAM

Mr. Paini moved to accept the resignation of PT firefighter Raymond Cunningham effective July 8, 2016 at the end of shift. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

128-16 ACCEPT RESIGNATION – PART-TIME FF DAVID JANNING

Mr. Paini moved to accept the resignation of part-time firefighter David Janning effective July 29, 2016 at the end of shift. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

129-16 ACCEPT RESIGNATION – PART-TIME FF JUSTIN KOONTZ

Mr. Paini moved to accept the resignation of part-time firefighter Justin Koontz effective July 26, 2016 at the end of shift. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

130-16 ACCEPT RESIGNATION – PART-TIME FF SHAYNE NIEMET

Mr. Paini moved to accept the resignation of part-time firefighter Shayne Niemet effective June 22, 2016 at the end of shift. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

131-16 ACCEPT RESIGNATION – PART-TIME FF CORY LANG

Mr. Paini moved to accept the resignation of part-time firefighter Cory Lang effective June 4, 2016 at the end of shift. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

132-16 APPROVE PT FIRE PAY RATE AND STEP INCREASES

Mr. Paini moved to approve the August 2, 2016 recommended clarification memo from the Fire Chief, for the pay rates with steps for part-time Firefighter EMT-B and Firefighter Paramedic effective pay period beginning August 13, 2016. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

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133-16 APPROVE USE OF COLLEGE CREDITS BY FF ROB CROW

Mr. Paini moved to approve use of college credit hours from Columbus State Community College by Rob Crow for 3 credit hours of English 1100-W03/ and 3 credit hours of Math 1109-W01 Autumn Semester 2016. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion. Discussion: In response to the Board, Chief Bates responded that the courses were toward an Associate Degree in Fire Science. Roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

134-16 DECLARE 08/17/16 FIRE DEPT EQUIP LIST SURPLUS - DONATION/DISPOSAL

Mr. Paini moved to declare the August 17, 2016 Fire Department list of equipment as surplus and designate to be donated to Ohio Fire Academy and Pleasant Township Fire Department; and dispose of obsolete generator. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

135-16 ACCEPT RESIGNATION – POLICE OFFICER STEPHEN HARGER

Mr. Paini moved to accept the resignation of Police Officer Stephen Harger effective August 6, 2016 at the end of shift. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

136-16 HIRE DALE BRYAN - RESERVE OFFICER

Mr. Paini moved to hire retired employee Dale Bryan effective August 18, 2016 as a Reserve Police Officer, which is not eligible for employer insurance (including health care coverage, vision, dental, and life), or vacation/sick/holiday pay. Further, this status will not change unless the Board takes official action and informs the employee otherwise. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion. Discussion: In response to the Board, Captain Dean noted that Reserve Officer Bryan would not be working the street in a cruiser by himself. Roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

137-16 APPROVE MOA FOR FOP WAGE RE-OPENER

Mr. Paini moved to approve and authorize the Administrator to sign the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Madison Township and FOP Capital City Lodge #9 for the period of May 7, 2016 through April 30, 2017. This MOA is for the purpose of a wage re-opener for the third year of the contract. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

138-16 SUPPORT CW OPWC GROVEPORT/GENDER RD PROJECT

Mr. Paini moved to support a partnership with the City of Canal Winchester on the Groveport/Gender Road Improvement Project and authorize the Administrator to prepare a letter of support for the Ohio Public Works Commission application due September 2016. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

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139-16 APPOINT SWACO WASTE MGT ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTEE

Mr. Paini moved to appoint Trustee John Kershner to the SWACO Solid Waste Management Plan Advisory Board to represent Madison Township. Mr. Dildine seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

140-16 AUTHORIZE DEMO/DEED REQ OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTIES

Mr. Paini moved to authorize the Administrator to submit a letter to the County Auditor's Office requesting the following properties be foreclosed on as they are tax delinquent, with a delinquent balance far greater than the vacant property is worth and have had the homes demolished through the COCIC Land Bank process. Further, the list will also be submitted to the COCIC Land Bank for their approval. The Township will request the deeds to each of these properties:

5241 Fullerton Dr. - 180-002142-00	5447 Sedalia Dr. - 180-001433-00
3796 Shoreline Dr. - 180-002462-00	3519 Wyncote Rd. -180-003276-00
3299 Fontaine Rd. - 180-004518-00	3477 Rohr Rd. - 180-000866-00
3317 Latonia Ct. - 180-004173-00	

Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

141-16 APPROVE THE LIST OF MOWING & TRASH REMOVAL ASSESSMENTS

Mr. Paini moved to approve the list of 10 mowing and trash assessments totaling \$2,775.00. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

142-16 CERTIFY STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENTS 2017-2018

Mr. Paini moved to certify street lighting assessments to the Franklin County Auditor for the period 2017-2018. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

143-16 PAY BILLS, SIGN POs, APPROVE SUPPL. APPROP., SUPER BC's & TRANSFERS

Mr. Paini moved to pay bills, sign all purchase orders, and approve the list of supplemental appropriations, super blanket certificates, and inter-fund transfers. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

144-16 APPROVE EXECUTIVE SESSION -POLICE & FIRE

Mr. Paini moved to approve Police and Fire executive session for the purposes of: considering the discipline of a public employee or official and considering the hiring a public employee or official. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

Mr. Paini moved to recess for five minutes and resume in executive session at 8:00 PM. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Mr. Paini moved to close executive session and resume the meeting in open session at 8:50 PM noting that no action was taken during executive session. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION:

Administrator Brobst noted that more information had been received from the Prosecutor's office regarding health insurance waivers but that it had brought forth more questions and would be addressed at a later date. As well, there may need to be a future clarification regarding resolution #117-19 which the office will continue to work with Rick Wetzel regarding.

RESOLUTIONS:

145-16 APPROVE PERSONNEL FILE ADDITIONS LIST

Mr. Paini moved to accept the list of items for personnel files to be placed in the appropriate files. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

146-16 APPROVE HIRE PT FIRE INSPECTOR STEVE ENGLER

Mr. Paini moved to hire Steve Engler as part-time fire inspector effective August 27, 2016, contingent upon successful completion of background check and drug test at a pay rate of \$12.00 per hour. This position will not exceed 129 hours in a calendar month and is not eligible for employer insurance (including health care coverage, vision, dental, and life), or vacation/sick/holiday pay. Further, this status will not change unless the Board takes official action and informs the employee otherwise. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

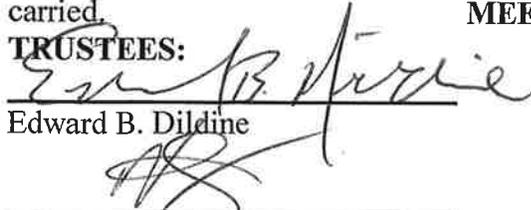
147-16 AMEND DEPARTMENTAL DISCIPLINE – SHORT/HOUSTON

Mr. Paini moved to amend Officer Short and Officer Houston departmental discipline per the Administrator's recommendations at the Step 4 grievance level regarding investigation# 2016-IA-02. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

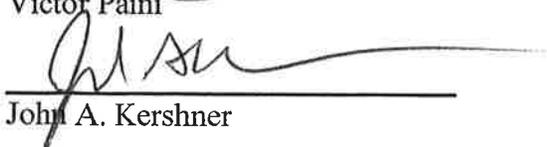
Mr. Paini moved, as there was no further business, to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 PM. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED

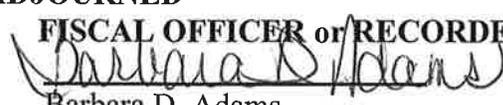
TRUSTEES:


Edward B. Dildine


Victor Paini


John A. Kershner

FISCAL OFFICER or RECORDER:


Barbara D. Adams