

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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MADISON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES GROVEPORT, OHIO

REGULAR MEETING

September 21, 2016

The Madison Township Trustees met in regular session at 6:05 PM on September 21, 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:

Fire Chief Bates presented FF Mark Ballenger for his 20 year service award and all present thanked him for his service. Police Chief Braden announced that Police Officer Tom Schleppe would receive his 5 year service award but was unable to attend as he was in supervisory training.

Christina O'Keefe, representing MORPC Energy & Air Quality, updated the Board on their efforts to conserve energy, explained their portfolio of energy resources, and asked the Board to consider a resolution to make October, 2016, Energy Action Month within the Township. Ms. O'Keefe will look into questions of toilet water consumption playing into the weatherization program and starting a conversation with water utilities as to what can be done/incentives with water conservation. The Board thanked Ms. O'Keefe for her presentation.

Dr. Greg Wise, the Fire Department's volunteer Medical Director for 27 years, along with Fire Chief Bates updated the Board on steps being made with the up and coming changeover to community Paramedicine. Chief Bates reviewed past information and Dr. Wise explained processes since. They are working toward a future pilot program within the Township which still needs protocol written and additional legal input. Lengthy discussion ensued with all looking positively toward this program and future updates.

Scott Belcastro, discussed electrical bidding processes and reporting on the Township's Electric Review Committee discussion and recommendation of continuing with IGS Energy for the next Electrical Aggregation period. There was discussion and the resident volunteers were thanked for their time in this project.

Susan Brobst reported, as Reese Kenney was not in attendance, that the September Active Shooter Response program was canceled as they did not have numbers confirmed for participation, and as well, the Blacklick Estates Blockwatch meeting for September was canceled.

Tom Kuhn, resident of the Township, discussed concerns of a group of residents regarding a property in their area, noting that the resident has already done much to improve the property, but also discussed speed in the Courtright Road area. Discussion followed with Chief Braden reporting that the 35 mile speed limit cannot be reduced. Others refreshed all regarding the County's opinion that speed bumps are too much of a liability to consider. Mr. Kuhn also noted that the group was thinking of putting a BlockWatch together. Trustee Paini asked that the Chief address the issue and report back at the next meeting.

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PUBLIC INPUT:

No attendees wished to address the Board.

TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENTS:

Fire Chief Robert Bates reminded all of the Open House at Station 182 on October 9th from 1-3 PM. He also reported on the kitchen updates budgeted for this year, noting that Station 181's were in process and they would be looking at flooring in the 2017 budget. Chief Bates also reported on the need for the two change orders on the agenda this evening. The first due to changing brands/model of the new medic cot due to complaints and re-evaluating the lifting process. The Department was surveyed regarding the change. The second change order to the engine due to the realization that the Opticom system was not in the quote.

Police Chief Kenneth Braden gave visual stats for the month of July. In response to Trustee Kershner, he did not feel there was a specific reason that violation numbers were down. Chief Braden noted that the 2017 Ford Utility Interceptor was parked outside for viewing. He also commended Officer Breneman who placed 16th in the Ruck Run associated with Get Behind the Badge, Columbus Fire Foundation, and Motts Military Museum.

Public Works Superintendent Dave Weaver reported on crosswalk painting and repairs wrapping up, Schwartz Road, and parking lots here at the complex and a small amount at the park being resealed and restriped. Next month the department would begin vehicle maintenance getting ready for winter, along with sign repairs and replacements, storm sewer repair, berm work, easement tree trimming for which the newer bucket truck will help immensely. The resolution regarding snow and ice removal was discussed. Responding to a resident asking if the County was deepening sewers in one area, it was noted that no information had been received from the County. Superintendent Weaver responded to Trustee Kershner that Trippier was doing a good job.

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR:

Administrator Susan Brobst announced hydrant flushing in Blacklick Estates on October 4, 5, 6, 11 & 12. She will be looking into several State Farm community assistance grants that resident LouAnn Bepler Todd had brought to her attention. Mrs. Brobst gave an update on the 3555 Clearwater property process which include a few extra steps including working with a title company. The process should be complete by the end of the year and the Township would be able to move forward on plans for the property. She explained requested resolutions on the agenda including the required insurance opt out language and changes due to medical marijuana law.

TOWNSHIP FISCAL OFFICER:

Fiscal Officer Barbara Adams noted that the current cash balance was \$8,842,545.23. Mrs. Adams explained the annual amounts and rates resolution and her comparisons to previous years. She reviewed real estate taxes after the second settlement and street lighting assessments which had been filed with the County.

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Fiscal Officer Adams also announced her November 30, 2016 retirement after over 28 years serving in the office. She felt this would be the best time for a new person to step in with departmental and Board budgeting meetings in December for a new year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Administrator Brobst gave a recap of the 9/11 Ceremony and gave an official thank-you to Chief Bates, Chief Braden, and all the departments for their tremendous help with the ceremony. Trustee Paini reported that over 400 attended the ceremony and many complimentary comments had been received at the Motts Military Museum Board meeting the previous evening.

Mrs. Brobst also reminded that Trick or Treat is set for Monday, Oct. 31st from 5:30 – 7:30 PM, in conjunction with MORPC dates.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board discussed the potential IGS 24 month contract. It was noted that even though there is no penalty for opting out of the electrical aggregation program, opt-out opportunity letters will still be sent out, probably in January. Trustee Paini believes the IGS rate is a great rate and is very happy that the resident committee was reconvened and participated in the recommendation. Administrator Brobst had attended the previous evening's Groveport Council meeting and provided the same information for their consumption.

Chief Bates reviewed the design build firm process to date, noting that he, the department's committee, Administrator Brobst and Trustee Paini had interviewed the final three potential companies and had graded them. In response to Trustee Kershner, Chief Bates stated that the Township would not be locked into specifics at this time. The committee will sit down with those from the firm, go over what they would like to see and the design firm will offer ideas for the committee to review. After discussion about change orders, it was decided the Chief will prepare policy for giving information to the Board by regular email and allowing a period of time (probably 48 hours) for them to respond with any questions/comments.

Administrator Brobst reported that she and the Board attended an AquaWater informational meeting. Discussion ensued. Trustee Kershner is still not completely satisfied with answers to the reduced real estate tax question he asked. It is noted that utility companies are permitted a 7.66% profit margin. Trustee Paini, although left not completely satisfied, felt pretty good in that he appreciated the meeting. He noted that 7 years ago with the previous owner that could not have happened and the current relationship is better than it has ever been. AquaWater has improved customer service and worked toward better water quality. He felt this was a good step toward more dialogue and progress. The conversation continued with discussing resident water leaks and how AquaWater could better address. Trustee Paini noted that 50% of customer service calls come into Aqua from Blacklick Estates. He wishes to keep addressing what the Township and AquaWater can do better to eliminate problems.

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RESOLUTIONS:

150-16 ACCEPT RETIREMENT – FISCAL OFFICER ADAMS

Mr. Paini moved to accept, with regrets, the retirement of Fiscal Officer Barbara D Adams with a November 30, 2016 termination/last day of employment and a December 1, 2016 effective date of retirement. Mr. Kershner seconded. Discussion: Trustee Paini stood and led all in a round of applause thanking FO Adams. Roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

151-16 ACCEPT MINUTES REG AUG 17, EMERG SEPT 1, 2016 MEETINGS

Mr. Paini moved to accept the minutes of the regular August 17 and emergency September 1, 2016 meetings as presented. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

152-16 DECLARE OCTOBER 2016 AS ENERGY ACTION MONTH

Mr. Paini moved that the Board of Trustees of Madison Township, Franklin County declare October 2016 as Energy Action Month and urge all residents of the Township to make an effort to increase their households' energy efficiency. Further, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission works with income eligible households to participate in various programs to raise awareness of the importance of conserving energy. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

153-16 APPROVE REVISION OF OPT OUT WAIVER TO 25%

Mr. Paini moved to approve the following change of language in the "opt out waiver for insurance" per the Township Employee Handbook to the following;

A 40-hour-per-week or salaried Township employee eligible for health insurance may elect to waive (opt out of) this benefit if the employee is enrolled in other group coverage, such as a health insurance plan offered through the employer of the employee's spouse, and the employee provides proof of such coverage per the Affordable Care Act and the Ohio Revised Code. A Township employee who opts out of Township coverage is eligible to receive a payment equal to 25% of the cost of premiums that otherwise would be paid by the Township for benefits for the employee under its health insurance plan effective October 1, 2016. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

154-16 AUTHORIZE ELECTRIC AGGREGATION CONTRACT

Mr. Paini moved to authorize the Administrator to sign a 24 month contract for electric aggregation with IGS Energy beginning March, 2017, as recommended by the review committee. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

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155-16 ACCEPT CONVEYANCE & DEED TO 3232 NOE BIXBY ROAD

Mr. Paini moved to accept conveyance papers and deed to 3232 Noe Bixby Road from COCIC. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

156-16 APPROVE UPDATE-MEDICAL MARIJUANA FOR HANDBOOK / BWC POLICY

Mr. Paini moved to approve updated language in the Township Handbook regarding the legalization of medical marijuana and stating that the Township does not tolerate the possession, use or being under the influence of any kind of marijuana in the workplace or while working on Township business, and no employee may report to work under the influence of marijuana in the employee's system. No employee may use medical or recreational marijuana at meals, break periods, or any time during work hours or on the employee's free time. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

157-16 APPROVE SERVICE AGREEMENT – SNOW & ICE REMOVAL

Mr. Paini moved to authorize the Administrator to sign the service agreement between the City of Columbus and Madison Township for snow and ice removal services for the 2016-2017 seasons. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

158-16 APPROVE PREL SERVICES AGRMT FOR DESIGN BUILD FIRM

Mr. Paini moved to authorize the Administrator to approve preliminary services agreement with Turner Construction, per the interview committee's recommendation, for the Design Build Firm, at a not to exceed cost of \$270,900.00 and authorize the Fire Chief and Administrator to approve any change orders not in excess of \$25,000.00 per the ORC bid limit amount. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

159-16 PURCHASE NEW FIRE ENGINE (2016 BUDGET)

Mr. Paini moved to authorize the Administrator to enter into an agreement with Pierce Manufacturing for the purchase a new fire engine through state bid at a cost of \$596,417.00 (with a pre-pay savings option of \$26,007.00). Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

160-16 APPROVE RESIGNATION OF PT/FF KYLE EYRE

Mr. Paini moved to accept with regrets the resignation of part-time firefighter Kyle Eyre effective August 16, 2016 at the end of his work shift. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

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161-16 APPROVE RESIGNATION OF PT/FF MICHAEL LAWLER

Mr. Paini moved to accept with regrets the resignation of part-time firefighter Michael Lawler effective September 8, 2016 at the end of his work shift. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

162-16 DECLARE FIRE DEPT EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS/DONATE GOVT ENTITIES

Mr. Paini moved to declare Fire Department list of equipment dated August 21, 2016 as surplus and donate to other government entities. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

163-16 APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR MEDIC

Mr. Paini moved to approve the change order #1 job/order number 7059 for medic cot for an additional \$275.00. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

164-16 APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR ENGINE

Mr. Paini moved to approve the change order #2 for job/order number 28934 to add Opticom for an additional \$1,455.00. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

165-16 AMEND RESOLUTION #137-16 – ADDENDUM VS MOA

Mr. Paini moved to amend resolution # 137-16 to replace Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with “Addendum to the contract. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

166-16 APPROVE TRASH REMOVAL AND CHARGES – 5285 ZIMMER DR.

Mr. Paini moved to approve the trash removal at 5285 Zimmer Dr. and charge the amount of \$400.00 (\$200.00 pick-up fee + \$200.00 administrative fee) as proper notice has been sent. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

167-16 APPROVE TRASH REMOVAL AND CHARGES – 5027 FULLERTON DR.

Mr. Paini moved to approve the trash removal at 5027 Fullerton Dr. and charge the amount of \$300.00 (\$100.00 pick-up fee + \$200.00 administrative fee) as proper notice has been sent. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

168-16 APPROVE THE LIST OF MOWING & TRASH REMOVAL ASSESSMENTS

Mr. Paini moved to approve the list of 14 mowing and trash assessments totaling \$3,300.00. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

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169-16 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.

170-16 ACCEPT AMOUNTS AND RATES FOR 2017

Mr. Paini moved to accept the amounts and rates determined by the Budget Commission for 2017 and authorize necessary tax levies and certify them to the Franklin County Auditor as in the extended resolution. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

171-16 ACCEPT BANK RECONCILIATIONS & REPORTS

Mr. Paini moved to accept the bank reconciliations and reports of the Fiscal Officer, as the cash journal and bank balances agree through July 31, 2016 showing a balance of \$ 4,736,734.88. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

172-16 APPROVE EXECUTIVE SESSION –POLICE and ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Paini moved to approve Police and Administration executive session for the purposes of: considering the discipline of a public employee or official, consider hiring of a public employee or official, and consider compensation of 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 8:10 PM. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Paini moved to close executive session and resume the meeting in open session at 9:00 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:

Chief Braden discussed changing police policy regarding tattoos with nothing to be visible below a short sleeve uniform. Discussion ensued.

RESOLUTIONS:

173-16 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.

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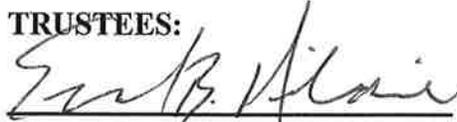
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Mr. Paini moved, as there was no further business, to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 PM. Mr. Kershner seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Mr. Kershner, Mr. Paini, and Mr. Dildine. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED

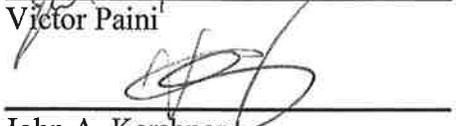
TRUSTEES:



Edward B. Dildine



Victor Paini



John A. Kershner

FISCAL OFFICER or RECORDER:



Barbara D. Adams