

PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

23 MAPLE DRIVE

REGULAR MEETING/APRIL 28, 2004

The regular meeting of the Prairie Township Board of Trustees was called to order by the Chairperson Mr. Wharton, with Mr. Stormont, Ms. Keller and Ms. Montag present. Also attending were: Chief Feustel, Mr. Hatmaker, Ms. Swisher, Mr. McAninch and Ms. Deuschle. (See attached list).

Mr. Wharton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Wharton moved, Ms. Keller seconded the Board approve the minutes as written for the regular meeting of April 14, 2004 and Special Meeting April 21, 2004. Vote; Aye.

Deputy Foster informed Mr. McAninch that the stop signs at On My Own Bingo and Kentucky Fried Chicken parking lots were down. Mr. McAninch stated they are the responsibility of the property owners to maintain since the signs were on private property.

Deputy Foster stated that people are parking in their driveways blocking the sidewalks and thefts from residents leaving their garage doors open.

A resident asked Deputy Foster if the Sheriff's Department can monitor Alton and Galloway Roads as he has had people pass him on double yellow lines several times.

A resident who lives on Carilla asked Deputy Foster to place the speed monitor on Carilla or to post signs "slow children" because the speeders are so bad and there are a lot of children on their street. Deputy Foster stated any resident can call the Sheriff's Department and request the speed limit monitor. Mr. McAninch stated he would contact Mr. Meeks with the Franklin County Engineers office to get signs to designate cross walks and slow pedestrians township wide.

The Clerk presented the following items:

1. Mr. Elie Sabbagh of Feller, Finch & Associates presented an update to the Board on the 2003 Curb Ramp Improvement project bids. There were a couple of minor formalities, Elie spoke with G. Marchi & Sons and they said they would comply and get everything in order. Mr. Sabbagh also contacted their references. Mr. Elie Sabbagh requested the Board to approve the Notice of Award for the 2003 Curb Ramp Improvement Project to G. Marchi & Son, LLC for \$256,049.15.

Mr. Wharton moved, Ms. Keller seconded the Board to approve the Notice of Award for the 2003 Curb Ramp Improvement Project to G. Marchi & Son, LLC for \$256,049.15. Vote; Aye.

2. Mr. Sabbagh updated the Board on the Medfield Way Project. The road is dug up, replacing the storm structures and will start dwelling the base next week.
3. The Clerk presented to the Board A Request for a Hearing from the Ohio Department of Liquor Control on a new application for 4932 West Broad Street, Inc. No hearing was requested.

After the Trustees reviewed the pending warrant list, Ms. Keller moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board approve the payment of the Paycor payroll in the amount of \$83,116.43 and approve payment of the following bills. Vote; Aye. (See pending warrant list).

Mr. Dave McAninch, Road Superintendent, addressed the Board with the following Road Department matters.

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1. Mr. McAninch requested the Board to adopt A Resolution Designating A Handicapped Parking Space On 211 Oxley Road and Enacting Vehicle Parking Regulations.

Mr. Wharton moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board to adopt A Resolution Designating A Handicapped Parking Space On 211 Oxley and Enacting Vehicle Parking Regulations. A roll call resulted as follows: Ms. Keller; Aye, Mr. Stormont; Aye, Mr. Wharton; Aye.

2. Mr. McAninch met with the third grade class at Prairie Lincoln Elementary and scheduled to meet with the class on May 5th and May 13th at the park to get them involved with cleaning the park up.

Ms. Connie Swisher, Zoning Inspector, addressed the Board with the following Zoning Department matters:

1. Ms. Swisher updated the Board on the property owner at 2731 Kunz Road contempt has been filed and a court date of June 14, 2004 has been scheduled.

Ms. Marjorie Deuschle, Senior Center Director, addressed the Board with the following Senior Center matters:

1. Ms. Deuschle updated the Board on the resumes that were submitted for the Assistant to the Senior Center Director position. Ms. Deuschle will schedule interviews with the Board at a later date.
2. Ms. Deuschle updated the Board on the opening date of the Senior Center which is tentatively scheduled for May 21, 2004.
3. Ms. Deuschle requested the Board to approve Material Assistance Providers, Inc. for lobby furniture up to \$2,000.00.

Mr. Wharton moved, Ms. Keller seconded the Board to approve Material Assistance Providers, Inc. for lobby furniture up to \$2,000.00. Vote; Aye.

4. Ms. Deuschle updated the Board that she has taken the national senior center test and has passed and she is now a national certified senior center administrator.

Chief Feustel addressed the Board with the following Fire Department matters:

1. Chief Feustel requested the Board to approve six sets of turn out gear and fourteen helmets for a total of \$14,382.00.

Mr. Wharton moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board to approve six sets of turn out gear and fourteen helmets not to exceed a total of \$15,000.00. Vote; Aye.

2. Chief Feustel updated the Board full-time firefighter Brian Gibson has been fitted with turn outs and ready to go.
3. Chief Feustel updated the Board on EMS Week activities that will be held at fire station 241 at 123 Inah Avenue on Sunday May 23, 2004 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Doctors Hospital West, OhioHealth, Childrens Hospital, Med Flight and certified technicians to assist with child car seat installation and inspections.

Mr. Tracy Hatmaker, Administrator, addressed the Board with the following Administrative matters:

1. Mr. Hatmaker updated the Board on the property maintenance code and will

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have a basic draft ready within the next couple of weeks.

2. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board to authorize the chairman to sign the tax exemption form on the Brofford property.

Ms. Keller moved, Mr. Stormont seconded requested the Board to authorize the chairman to sign the tax exemption form on the Brofford property. Vote; Aye.

3. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board to approve Feller, Finch & Associates for \$5,000.00 for architectural and engineering costs related to Township Hall building improvements.

Ms. Keller moved, Mr. Stormont seconded requested the Board to approve Feller, Finch & Associates for \$5,000.00 for architectural and engineering costs related to Township Hall building improvements. Vote; Aye.

4. Mr. Hatmaker presented to the Board and outline for the 2005 Budget process for the township.

Old Business:

Mr. Distlehorst commented on the proposed property maintenance code. A discussion.

New Business:

A resident asked the Board about putting street lights on Oxley Road. Peter Griggs, Law Director, explained the process of a lighting district.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Chairperson

Clerk