

PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

23 MAPLE DRIVE REGULAR MEETING/SEPTEMBER 28, 2005

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

Mr. Stormont led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Keller seconded to adopt RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SORROW AT THE LOSS OF WESTLOAND HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES MARINE CORPORAL ANDRE WILLIAMS AND ARMY PFC NICHOLAS ZIMMER IN COMBAT IN IRAQ AND THE LOSS OF WESTLAND HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE ARMY RESERVE SPECIALIST JULIE HICKEY FROM NON-COMBAT RELATED CAUSES DURING SERVICE IN AFGANISTAN AND HONORING THE MEMORY OF THESE WESTLAND AREA NATIVES. A roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Wharton; Aye, Ms. Keller; Aye, Mr. Stormont; Aye.

Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Keller seconded the Board approve the minutes as written for the regular meeting of September 14, 2005. Vote; Aye

Mr. Stormont received an email from Mr. Neil Distlehorst asking about twelve special meeting minutes. The clerk responded the web would be updated and the minutes would be completed as soon as possible.

Mr. Elie Sabbagh updated the Board on the sidewalk project and requested the Board to sign to title sheet.

The Clerk presented the following items:

After the Trustees reviewed the pending warrant list, Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Keller seconded the Board approve the payment of the ADP payroll in the amount of \$96,178.45 and approve payment of the following bills. Vote; Aye. (See pending warrant list).

1. The Clerk presented resolutions for the Lincoln Village North subdivision lighting district and WestPoint subdivision Phase I lighting district, these assessments are for a one year period.

Mr. Stormont moved, Mr. Wharton seconded the Board authorize the Clerk to file with the Franklin County Auditors office a one year street lighting assessment for the Lincoln Village North subdivision. Vote; Aye.

Mr. Keller moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board authorize the Clerk to file with the Franklin County Auditors office a one year street lighting assessment for the WestPoint subdivision Phase I in the amount of \$57.93 per parcel. Vote; Aye.

Deputy Timbrook reported to the Board two weeks ago at 270 and Broad third shift caught a car jacker and a robbery on Derion. Also Deputy Timbrook stated the Township should start receiving the monthly reports. Mr. Wharton asked about the most wanted suspect. Deputy Timbrook stated he is still not apprehended.

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

1. Chief Feustel updated the Board on the NIMS certification and all the fire department is trained.
2. Chief Feustel updated the Board on a cell phone contract with AT&T language line for \$75.00 set up fee, \$35.00 annual fee and per minute charge.
3. Chief Feustel updated the Board the new engine 243 is in service.

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4. Chief Feustel updated the Board on an emergency access at Inah Avenue and West Broad and the Ohio Department of Transportation stated they cannot have it at Inah and Broad. Chief Feustel is looking into a controller at Norton Road and Broad which is approximately 20K.
5. Chief Feustel updated the Board on the EMAC and all paper is filed if there is another storm the fire department would be ready to respond.

Ms. Vivian Brown asked if the controller is the township's responsibility or if ODOT would pay for it. Chief Feustel responded it would be the township's responsibility.

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

1. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board to approve a supplemental appropriation from the general fund to the sidewalk fund for \$29,323.57 from 1000-330-360-0000 to 2410-390-360-0000.

Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Keller seconded the Board to approve a supplemental appropriation from the general fund to the sidewalk fund for \$29,323.57 from 1000-330-360-0000 to 2410-390-360-0000. Vote; Aye.

2. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board to approve \$7,535.00 payment to MORPC for administrative fees for the Palmetto Project.

Mr. Wharton moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board to approve \$7,535.00 payment to MORPC for administrative fees for the Palmetto Project. Vote; Aye.

3. Mr. Hatmaker updated the Board on the Board of Health occupancy and maintenance standards and he contacted Mr. Paul Rozel at the environmental health division and Mr. Rozel gave him housing code 710 which is not enforceable. There is a House Bill 175 that was passed. Mr. Hatmaker will look into further.
4. Mr. Hatmaker updated the Board on the Big Darby Accord next public meeting which is Thursday October 6, 2005 at 5:30 p.m. open house and presentation at 7:00 p.m. at Heritage Middle School, 5670 Scioto Darby Road.
5. Mr. Hatmaker updated the Board on the West Broad Street Corridor there is 28 million dollars available state wide to enhance projects state wide. Franklin County Sheriff's Department and Westland Area Business Association (WABA) is partnering for crime prevention grants.
6. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board to move the November 23, 2005 meeting to November 21, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Wharton moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board to move the November 23, 2005 meeting to November 21, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. Vote; Aye.

Old Business:

Mr. Wharton wanted to clear the air and stated why he is not running for re-election is his employer did not grant permission for him to run.

New Business:

Public Comment:

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Announcements:

Ms. Keller announced Ohio Health is sponsoring a clean-up on Broad Street from 270 to Hilliard-Rome Road on October 19, 2005 contact is Debbie Wilder at 554-2585. Rain date is October 20, 2005.

Mr. Jim Kennedy announced Darby Days at Battel Darby Creek Park on October 2, 2005 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Mike Ison gave a presentation on the Blauser property on West Broad Street which has been annexed to the City of Columbus. Mr. Jim Kennedy with the Hellbranch Residents Association has tried to block development on the property because of the effects it would have down stream. A discussion followed. Mr. Jim Kennedy requested the Board to support a park instead of housing on the Blauser property. Mr. Wharton stated if Jim writes the letter he is in favor and will support his efforts.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Clerk