

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OCTOBER 21, 2009 – REGULAR MEETING 7:00 PM 23 MAPLE DRIVE, COLUMBUS, OHIO 43228

The regular meeting of the Prairie Township Board of Trustees was called to order on October 21, 2009 at 7:00 PM by the Chairman, Mr. Stormont, with Mr. Kennedy and Mr. McCardle present. Also in attendance was Mr. Hatmaker, Township Administrator. (See attached sign in sheet for a complete list of additional attendees). Trustee Schlosser was ill and was not in attendance this evening.

Mr. Stormont led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Stormont moved that the board approve the meeting minutes from the October 7, 2009 regular meeting. Mr. Kennedy seconded. The votes were: Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Sheriff's Report

Deputy Weiner summarized the September crime statistics report explaining that during September there were 444 dispatches, and 466 pick up runs, etc. Copies of this report are available for pick-up at the Township Hall. A Grenner Road resident reported that cars were driving through stop signs etc. Deputy Weiner noted that the deputies will increase patrols in that area. Another resident complained of a teenager driving recklessly near 510 Buena Vista Lane and threatening the residents. A lengthy discussion ensued and Deputy Weiner recommended that the homeowners go to the prosecutor's office to file a formal charge.

Fiscal Officer's Report

Supplemental appropriation

Mr. McCardle asked the Board to approve a General Fund supplemental appropriation moving \$10,000 from the Administration Election Expenses line item to the Accounting and Legal Fees line item. This supplemental appropriation will provide additional funds for work related to the JEDD and CRA, as well as other special projects. Mr. McCardle also requested that the Board approve a General Fund supplemental appropriation to move \$3,000.00 from Administration Election Expenses to Administration Other Expenses to pay costs related to the most recent Franklin County Auditor's tax settlement.

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board approve a supplemental appropriation moving \$10,000.00 from Administration – Election Expenses (1000-110-315-000) to Administration – Accounting and Legal Services (1000-110-311-0000). Mr. Kennedy seconded. The votes were: Mr. Stormont, aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board approve a supplemental appropriation moving \$3,000.00 from Administration – Election Expenses (1000-110-315-0000) to Administration – Other Expenses (1000-110-599-0000). Mr. Kennedy seconded. The votes were: Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Liquor Permit

Mr. McCardle asked the Board if it wishes to pursue a hearing at the Ohio Division of Liquor Control in relation to CVS' application to sell alcohol at their 4801 West Broad Street location. Mr. Stormont replied that we have not requested hearings in the past and, accordingly, we will not request a hearing for this permit application either.

Warrants and payroll

Mr. McCardle requested the Board's approval for payment of this week's warrants (see attached list) summing \$58,582.27 along with this week's payroll summing \$124,002.49 for a total cash disbursement of \$ 182,584.76.

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Mr. Stormont motioned "so moved". Mr. Kennedy seconded. The votes were: Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Standing Business

Road and Cemetery Department

The Road department did not have any items to bring to the Board's attention so Mr. McAninch was excused from this meeting.

Zoning Department

The Zoning department did not have any items to bring to the Board's attention so Ms. Swisher was excused from this meeting.

Fire Department

The fire department did not have any items to bring to the Board's attention so Fire Chief Feustel was excused from this meeting.

Administrator

Nuisance Cases

Mr. Kennedy explained that he had a conversation with the Railroad Yard Superintendant this week. Mr. Kennedy also explained that the railroad yard is not a residential property. Due to the fact that the railroad yard does not pay property taxes, Prairie Township's ability to collect clean up fees would be questionable and funds expended in a clean up process may be considered a misuse of township funds. Legal counsel has also advised that the township allow more time for the rail yard to reply.

Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board's guidance on this week's nuisance cases.

Mr. Stormont moved that the Prairie Township Board of Trustees find the conditions at 346 Topsfield Road, 437 Old Village Road, 4756 Hilton Avenue, and 4710 Hilton Avenue, to be a nuisance and that the Board hereby directs staff to abate said nuisances at the expense of the property owners as per the requirements in the Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87. Mr. Kennedy seconded. The votes were as follows: Mr. Stormont, Aye; Mr. Kennedy, Aye. Motion passed.

Woodlawn Avenue Sidewalk Program Grant Application

Mr. Hatmaker asked the Board to adopt a resolution authorizing the township to apply for a \$380,000.00 grant from the Safe Routes to School Program (administered by ODOT) for the Woodlawn Avenue sidewalk project fund. It is hoped that this project would be completed in conjunction with an OPWC project for reconstruction/update of Woodlawn Avenue.

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board adopt Resolution 25.09, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP TO APPLY FOR SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL FUNDS FOR THE WOODLAWN AVENUE SIDEWALK PROJECT." Mr. Kennedy seconded. Roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Kennedy, Aye; Mr. Stormont, Aye. Motion passed.

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Old Business

A township resident inquired as to the status of the dirt dumping issue along Galloway Road. Mr. Stormont explained that the process is now in the hands of legal counsel.

New Business

None

Public Comment

None

Announcements

Mr. Hatmaker announced that there will be a public meeting held on Wednesday, October 28, for the Big Darby Accord Town Center Master Plan. The meeting will be held at the Township Hall at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Handwritten signature of Douglas A. Stormont in blue ink.

Chairman

Handwritten signature of J. L. M. Cordery in blue ink.

Fiscal Officer