

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR Meeting

Minutes of

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10149

Held At 23 MAPLE DRIVE, COLUMBUS, OHIO 43228 DATE: February 11, 2009

The regular meeting of the Prairie Township Board of Trustees was called to order on February 11, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. by the Chairman Mr. Stormont, with Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Schlosser and Mr. McCardle present. Also in attendance was Mr. Hatmaker (Township Administrator), Mrs. Swisher (Zoning Inspector) and Fire Chief Fuestel. (See attached list).

Mr. Stormont led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board approved the minutes for the regular scheduled meeting held on January 28, 2009. Votes were: Mr. Stormont-Aye: Mr. Kennedy-Aye: Ms. Schlosser-Aye. Motion passed

Sheriff's Report

Deputy Weiner stated that over the past two weeks, most of the Sheriff's work has been relatively normal for this time of year. He stated they have had a couple of break-ins in the area, a robbery and a shoplifter resister with heroin. Deputy Weiner read the status reports for the month of January. Mr. Kennedy requested the deputies run speed checks on Canoe Drive.

Fiscal Officer's Report

Mr. McCardle informed the Board the township has recently received \$46,423.00 from FEMA related to last fall's wind storm. The receipt was recorded in fund 2902 that was created specifically for this revenue. Mr. McCardle requested the Board approve a supplemental appropriation of \$46,423.00 into line item 2902-760-599.

Mr. Stormont motioned "So Moved". Motion was seconded by Mr. Kennedy. Votes were: Mr. Stormont-Aye: Mr. Kennedy-Aye: Ms. Schlosser-Aye. Motion Passed.

Mr. McCardle requested the Board's approval to pay this week's warrants summing \$104,511.79 along with this week's payroll summing \$138,314.48 for a total cash disbursement of \$242,826.27.

Mr. Stormont motioned "So Moved". Motion was seconded by Ms. Schlosser. Votes were: Mr. Stormont-Aye: Mr. Kennedy-Aye: Ms. Schlosser-Aye. Motion Passed.

Mr. Distelhorst asked the Fiscal Officer if the FEMA money was based on a claim that was filed, where did it come from and what department received the money. The Board stated the money was received from a FEMA claim and it was posted to the Road Department for the wind storm clean-up.

Zoning Department

Mrs. Swisher recommended the Board proceed with litigation on four (4) zoning violation cases the Zoning Department has been working on. They have been working with the Prosecuting Attorney's Office and the Zoning Department has not received any voluntarily compliance. There are two cases on Arnold Avenue, one on Annhurst Road and one on Evergreen Terrace. Ms. Swisher gave a brief description of each case as follows:

4677 Arnold Avenue is a contempt case from 2004 for a roofing business and tow truck.

4733 Arnold Avenue - trash and a tow truck.

45 Evergreen Terrace - outdoor storage and working on vehicles. Mr. Stormont stated there was a nuisance case on this property last year.

4926 Annhurst case - a commercial vehicle (box truck). Ms. Schlosser stated the truck is gone and asked to defer this case for two weeks.

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Mr. Stormont moved that the Board authorize the Zoning Inspector to work with the Prosecuting Attorney's office in pursuing litigation and in filing permanent injunctions pending outcomes outlined in letter sent by the Prosecuting Attorney's office regarding zoning violations by the following property owners at the following addresses:

Bruce Gholson	4733 Arnold Avenue
Fernando Laguanas & Diana Garcia	45 Evergreen Terrace
Terri Robinson	4677 Arnold Avenue

This motion was seconded by Mr. Kennedy. Votes were: Mr. Stormont-Aye: Ms. Schlosser-Aye: Mr. Kennedy-Aye. This motion passed.

Ms. Swisher recommended the Board approve a step pay increase from Step 3 (\$17.21 per hour) to Step 4 (\$18.06 per hour). The Board asked if there were any performance issues and Ms. Swisher stated there were none.

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board approve advancing Kelvin Ferguson to Step 4 (24 months) and increasing his pay to \$18.06 per hour effective February 18, 2009.

This motion was seconded by Ms. Schlosser. Votes were: Mr. Stormont-Aye: Ms. Schlosser-Aye: Mr. Kennedy-Aye. This motion passed.

Road and Cemetery Department

The Road Department had no items on tonight's agenda therefore Mr. McAninch had been excused from attending tonight's meeting.

Fire Department

Fire Chief Feustel recommended that the Board accept the resignation of part-time dispatcher Donald Goldhardt.

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board accept Donald Goldhardt's resignation as a part-time dispatcher.

This motion was seconded by Mr. Kennedy. Votes were: Mr. Stormont-Aye: Ms. Schlosser-Aye: Mr. Kennedy-Aye. This motion passed.

Chief Feustel requested that the Board remove part-time firefighter Jason Caldwell from the roster for lack of duty.

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board approve the removal of Jason Caldwell from the part-time firefighter roster.

This motion was seconded by Ms. Schlosser. Votes were: Mr. Stormont-Aye: Ms. Schlosser-Aye: Mr. Kennedy-Aye. This motion passed.

Administration

Mr. Hatmaker presented an update and a request for approval of the schedule for the South Greener Phase I Street Improvement and Re-Construction Project. This is an Ohio Public Works Commission Project and it is the first phase of a three phase project. This phase of the project will run north from Sullivant to Stiles and will involve re-grading, re-paving, placement of curb, gutter and sidewalks in the right-of-way.

Mr. Hatmaker requested on behalf of township staff and Stantec, the following schedule for the start-up of the project:

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Advertise of Bids: February 23, 2009 and March 2, 2009
Open Bids: March 16, 2009
Recommendation for Award: March 25, 2009

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board authorize the Township Administrator to work with representatives of Stantec Consulting to issue bid packets and proceed with the schedule recommendations by the Administrator for advertising, opening and analyzing the bids.

This motion was seconded by Ms. Kennedy. Votes were: Mr. Stormont-Aye: Ms. Schlosser-Aye: Mr. Kennedy-Aye. This motion passed.

Mr. Hatmaker also requested the Board approve the plans for South Greener Phase I.

Mr. Stormont motioned "So Moved". Motion was seconded by Ms. Schlosser. Votes were: Mr. Stormont-Aye: Mr. Kennedy-Aye: Ms. Schlosser-Aye. Motion Passed.

Mr. Hatmaker informed the Board that since August 1, 2007 the township has had an agreement for deposit of public funds with National City Bank with a limit up to \$5,000,000.00. This agreement has been implemented since August 1st. Looking back through the records from 2007, we were unable to find our copy of the agreement. Mr. Hatmaker asked the Board to re-approve that agreement so we can have an executed copy on file at the township.

Mr. Stormont moved that the Board re-approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the Deposit of Public Funds with National City Bank for the term August 1, 2007 through July 31, 2009.

This motion was seconded by Ms. Kennedy. Votes were: Mr. Stormont-Aye: Ms. Schlosser-Aye: Mr. Kennedy-Aye. This motion passed.

Old Business

Neil Distelhorst asked for an update on the traffic study on Alton Road. Mr. Hatmaker and Mr. Kennedy stated they had received informal notices that the study did warrant a change in the speed limit. Mr. Kennedy will follow up to determine why the 45 MPH signs have not been installed. Ms. Schlosser stated that we have not received a formal study summary and asked Mr. Hatmaker to follow up and see where the formal notification is.

A resident asked about the property at 1445 Bolingbrook. Mr. Kennedy stated in e-mails from the owner to the administration office, the owner has done some additional work and Mr. Kennedy stated he went to the property today (02-11-09) and in Mr. Kennedy's opinion, the property is not in the status to meet the nuisance standards. Trustees Kennedy and Schlosser explained how the nuisance process works. Mr. Stormont asked Connie Swisher to contact Melissa McArthur at the Franklin County Board of Health to view the composite pile and poison ivy on the property and provide the Board with her opinion.

New Business:

None

Public Comments:

None

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Announcements:

None

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.


Chairman


Fiscal Officer