

HOCKING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING FEBRUARY 23, 2010

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was brought to order by Chairperson Mrs. Gail V. Ellinger with all Trustees, Zoning Inspector and Fiscal Officer present. There were 10 members of the public in attendance. Mrs. Ellinger led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Copies of the previous minutes and agendas' were available for the public.

The minutes of the previous meeting being read by the Trustees were approved as motioned by Steve Wolfe seconded by Tim Claypool, all trustees voted aye.

Public Participation

Jamey Binkley representing Fairfield National Bank took the floor to propose their Commercial Cash Management program for the township. The item was tabled until the trustees could have time to read the literature.

Troy Brumfield from Amanda Fire was in attendance. He relayed information on new equipment the Fire Department is purchasing for stabilization and ice rescue safety.

George Williams asked about the No Brake signs. Mrs. Ellinger informed him that ODOT has placed the signs between his house and Stonewall Cemetery Road.

Zoning

Gary Darling Zoning Inspector Reported:

Permit 10-01 Mr. Chad Guisinger – 4190 Fosnaugh School Rd – Garage at 3320 Lancaster Circleville Road \$50.00 check 1124

Mr. Chester Smith requested copies of the Trustees written response to his letter of January 23rd. Mr. Darling will forward the copies to Mr. Smith.

Roxy Hall is requesting to build an additional residence on her mother's Property on Hamburg Road. A discussion followed and Mrs. Hall was informed that she had applied and was granted a variance in 2007 for this construction.

United Acquisitions is asking for permission to erect a cell tower in the vicinity of Boice and Jacobs Ladder Roads.

Seymour property Northview court: a letter has been mailed by the City Prosecutor giving Seymours until March 15th to reply. March 16th if no response the Prosecutor will proceed with a criminal prosecution. Mrs. Seymour has contacted Mr. Darling. There is no permit found for a 2nd residence on this property but the Auditor shows the outbuilding as a residence. This needs to be corrected also.

Meister Road Junk Vehicles: Mrs. Ellinger reported that the Prosecuting Attorney advised we must obtain a title search on the property before we can proceed with getting titles for the vehicles or removing them from the property. A discussion followed and it was decided to obtain a title search. The Fiscal Officer will contract with a vendor.

OLD BUSINESS

Stonewall Cemetery OPWC Project should commence by June 14th. There are 6 more work agreements needed before the County Engineer will place the bid ad.

Pleasant Valley Road Ditches: Nothing from Army Corp of Engineers as yet. Mrs. Ellinger has E-mailed them again this week.

Meister Road OPWC Application: A resolution has been sent to the County Engineer for this project.

Playground security light: South Central will not allow us to place a security light on the tornado siren pole at the playground. We will seek other alternatives.

Disaster Debris training: has been rescheduled twice no new date as yet.

NEW BUSINESS

Winter Conference Report: Mrs. Ellinger reported she and Fiscal Officer attended the conference and that several of the sessions were beneficial.

County Engineers Annual Meeting for the Trustees will be March 2nd at 7 AM

Mr. Claypool motioned for an Executive Session to discuss the Zoning Inspector's annual review and contract renewal and pay scale, seconded by Steve Wolfe. Voice vote was: Wolfe – Yes, Claypool – Yes, Ellinger – Yes motion carried.

Mr. Claypool motioned to return to regular session and stated that no official business was transacted during the Executive Session, seconded by Steve Wolfe. Voice vote was: Wolfe – Yes, Claypool – Yes, Ellinger – Yes motion carried.

Mr. Claypool motioned for **Resolution 10-07**, to renew Mr. Gary Darling's contract for one year with an increase in pay of 10% to be paid per zoning permit or application, seconded by Steve Wolfe and vote by voice was: Wolfe – Yes, Claypool – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, motion carried.

Mr. Claypool motioned for **Resolution 10-08**, to decrease the charge for public records to \$0.05 cents per page, seconded by Steve Wolfe and vote by voice was: Wolfe – Yes, Claypool – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, motion carried.

Mrs. Ellinger will obtain estimate from Mid Ohio Tree Service to remove and clean up trees at the Cemetery on Hamburg Road at the Lutheran Church.

Mr. Claypool motioned there being sufficient funds warrants for the month of February be processed, seconded by Mr. Wolfe, voice vote was: Wolfe – Yes, Claypool – Yes, Ellinger – Yes, motion carried.

Mr. Claypool motioned there being no further business to discuss the meeting be adjourned.

Gail V. Ellinger – Chairperson

Tim Claypool – Trustee

Steve Wolfe – Trustee

Dianna J. Russell – Fiscal Office