



RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of **NORWICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES** *Meeting*

4164 AVERY ROAD, HILLIARD, OHIO

Held **October 1, 2007**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Larry Earman, Chair.

Roll Call – **Mr. Larry Earman, Chair - Present**
Mr. Chuck Buck, Trustee - Present
Mr. Jim Rice, Trustee - Present

Also Present - **Bob Kaufman, Asst. Fire Chief**
Dick McDermitt, Construction Manger
Steve Montgomery, Roads/Cemetery Dept.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A Hayden Falls Village resident addressed the Board about his concerns for a leaf removal program. He stated that other smaller townships, like Perry Township, offer a program to their residents and that he felt this would add value to the residents of Norwich Township. Mr. Rice stated that they had looked into a program a few years ago but the cost was too great. Mr. Montgomery stated that the length of time needed to collect the leaves would be somewhere around 6 weeks. Mr. Buck stated that Norwich Township approached the City of Hilliard (who provides this service to its residents) a few years ago to see if they would also provide this service to our residents. They said no. Mr. Buck said that he would look into providing a leaf removal program for the future, but not for this year.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – DISPOSAL OF EXCESS ENGINE

Chief Kaufman reported that they are working with the Sutphen Corporation to possibly purchase the engine back so that we would receive a credit on future purchases.

JOINT SAFETY BUILDING – TEMPORARY HOUSING

Electric is still needed at the temporary housing trailer which Chief Kaufman is working on. The goal was to be moved into this trailer by Tuesday, October 2.

CEMETERY & ROADS

Mr. Montgomery reported that all road work for this year is completed.

There is still a drainage issue on Meadow Wood Drive caused by a silver maple tree, which is in our right-of-way. Mr. Buck suggested that Mr. Montgomery look into something that could be put on the roots of the silver maple tree to slow down its growth. In the meantime, Mr. Buck asked Mr. Montgomery to fix the drainage problem, using the right tile and then seed.

In addition, Mr. Montgomery reported that the rock hammer has been delivered. Mr. Montgomery asked if he could purchase a 10” bucket for foundation work. Mr. Earman said it was OK to purchase.

Mr. Montgomery reported on the use of solar signs in the township. He stated that Dublin is currently using them in school zones. This solution was suggested due to a resident that has complained about speeding on Smiley Road. Chief Garnett stated that he did not know of any other complaints from last week regarding Smiley Road. He will continue to look into this speeding issue.

Finally, Mr. Montgomery reported that he has removed several bushes and shrubs to help with the appearance of Wesley Chapel Cemetery. Mr. Montgomery received several additional requests to



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remove more bushes and shrubs. Mr. Rice complemented Mr. Montgomery on how nice Wesley Chapel Cemetery looks.

JOINT SAFETY BUILDING

Chief Kaufman reported that the construction trailer is on-site. The 1st construction meeting will be Wednesday, October 3 at 10:00 a.m. at 4164 Avery Road. All three trustees will attend this meeting. The Groundbreaking Ceremony is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10 at 10:00 a.m. at 4164 Avery Road. Invitations have been sent.

HILLIARD POLICE REPORT

Chief Garnett reported that the September report would be available at the next trustee meeting. He also stated that he was unaware of any new noise complaints from last week regarding the property on Leppert Road.

RES. 07-67 Denied Grievance filed by firefighter Brian A. Gatley

The trustees unanimously agreed to support Chief Long's recommendation to deny Gatley's grievance. Mr. Rice made the motion to act and Mr. Buck seconded it. Motion passed.

Meeting of October 1, 2007 adjourned at approximately 12:30 p.m.

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Mr. Larry Earman, Chairman

Handwritten signature of Ellen Woodford in cursive script.

Ellen Woodford, Assistant Fiscal Officer