

REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORWICH TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

June 26, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Chuck Buck.

Mr. Rice led the group in prayer and the pledge of allegiance was said by all.

The minutes were approved of the previous meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments today.

POLICE REPORT

No police report this evening

BUDGET

The preliminary budget was presented to the Trustees on June 12. Mr. Earman moved that the final budget for 2007 be accepted and sent to the Franklin County Budget Committee and Mr. Rice seconded the motion. Motion carried. R-39-06

CEMETERY

Mr. Buck asked about the break in that was reported at the cemetery in May. Mr. Montgomery received a call on May 25 and went to the cemetery to see what had happened. When he arrived, he discovered that the lock to the main building had been tampered with, but they had not gained entrance to the office. The lock was fixed and the incident was reported to the Hilliard police department.

Mr. Montgomery reported that he is still waiting for the finished proposal from Bird + Bull for the drainage problems in the area around Saturn Drive. He hopes to receive it in the next couple of weeks.

Sharon Chard of 3237 Doreen Court had contacted the township about a tree that has a large limb just hanging in the tree as a result of a storm in the past. She is concerned that someone may be injured if this limb does eventually fall out of the tree. The tree is on the property of the township, at the south side of the cemetery. There seems to be children who play in the ravine where the tree is located. Mr. Montgomery is to get estimates for the removal of the limb from Arbor and Davy tree companies. He will also drive around the cemetery and see if there are any other trees that need to be trimmed. When Mr. Montgomery receives the estimates, he will contact the trustees and get a verbal ok to have the work done by one of the above companies.

There is a road sign at Hansen Court that is overgrown by a resident's tree. Mr. Montgomery has talked to the resident and he is going to trim it back so it does not obstruct the stop sign. If the resident does not trim it back enough, Steve will trim it so motorists can visibly read the sign.

Curb work in Ridgewood is scheduled to begin in a few weeks. The County will post signs about the work and will also deliver to each household in the area specific directions and regulations about the parking on the streets during the time the road work is being done.

Robert Monnin of 4333 Hansen Drive has requested that his driveway curb opening be extended approximately 8 feet to the west when the County does the work in the area. Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Rice has visited the property, and feel that his request can be granted. It was moved by Mr. Rice and seconded by Mr. Earman to extend the curb cut at 4333 Hansen Drive. Motion carried. R-40-06

CHIEF LONG REPORTS

Chief Long asked that the Trustees hire two firefighters to be added to the department of Norwich Township. The Trustees interviewed candidates two weeks ago and agreed to hire upon the recommendation of Chief Long, Tim Wine and Adam Helser. Both men will begin work June 28 and 29. Mr. Earman moved to hire the men and Mr. Rice seconded the motion. Motion carried. R-41-06.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

There is no word on the cell tower to be erected along Schirtzinger Road.

Mr. Buck and Mr. Earman attended the elected officials meeting about the Darby Accord two weeks ago. Mayor Coleman is pushing the passage of the accord, as it seems he just wants the whole process finished. Of the 10 entities involved in the Big Darby Accord, Hilliard and Norwich Township are the only two who are against the proposals. On June 30 there will be another elected officials meeting, and Mr. Buck and Earman will attend.

Mr. Buck will be setting up a meeting in the future with Franklin County about the proposed sewer extensions for Ridgewood. He will be contacting Dave Shockley.

The township received a letter from Dean Ringle about the vacation of a portion of Timberbrook Lane. The County Commissioners has adopted a resolution to proceed with the proposed vacation of the road. The hearing will be held on July 18 @ 9:00 am. The trustees have been advised that they may testify for or against the proposed vacation. The trustees are in favor of the vacation of the land by the County, and will have the clerk write a letter to Dean Ringle in response to the request.

Executive session called at 7:10 pm for personal matters and land acquisition.

Executive session ended at 8:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm. Next meeting to be held on July 10 th @ noon at 4164 Avery Road.

Chuck Buck, Chairman

Linda Gill, Fiscal Officer

