



RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

4164 AVERY ROAD, HILLIARD, OHIO

Held **SEPTEMBER 17, 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 - Absent

Also Present - **Dave Long, Fire Chief**
Steve Montgomery, Roads/Cemetery Dept.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A Davidson Road resident addressed the Board about the continued noise and dust nuisance issues from the motor cross track located on the Weethee property. The resident asked the Board to consider adopting its own zoning commission. Mr. Earman stated that it would be too cumbersome and not practical for the Township to adopt a zoning commission. The best thing that could be done is to work through Franklin County to file the complaint. Mr. Earman will write a letter to Franklin County.

DISPOSAL EXCESS FIRE ENGINE

Chief Long reported that Lt. Weaston was continuing to pursue leads on potential buyers for the excess fire engine. Lack of financing has been a problem for a couple of potential buyers.

JOINT SAFETY BUILDING – TEMPORARY HOUSING

Chief Long reported that all administrative staffing has been moved to Station 83 and the phone and computer lines would be transferred tomorrow. In addition, the trailer has been set and the fire unit staffing is expected to move by the end of the month.

CEMETERY & ROADS

Mr. Montgomery reported that the Franklin County Engineer's would be completing the Thoburn Road project this week and the Spur Lane project is still to be completed. All other 2007 roadwork has been completed. Mr. Montgomery is still awaiting an estimate from the Franklin County Engineer's for the Schirtzinger Road retaining wall project and he is still awaiting a ruling from them on the Timberbrook radius curb project. Lastly, Mr. Montgomery confirmed that the hydraulic hammer would be delivered on Wednesday. In other matters, Mr. Buck reported that per a conversation with Jamie Tickle of the Franklin County Engineer's office, all Hansen Court warranty items would be done the week of October 1st.

HILLIARD POLICE REPORT

Chief Garnett provided the statistical reports for July and August. Chief Garnett reported that for July a total of 237 calls were taken, there were no burglaries, and five OVIs were issued. For August a total of 222 calls were taken, there were three burglaries, and three OVIs were issued. As a follow up to the motor cross issue brought before the Board by a Davidson Road resident, Chief Garnett stated that HPD could take a decibel reading and report back to the Board.



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FISCAL OFFICE – PAYROLL PROVIDER

Mrs. Miles reported that the Fiscal Office has been pursuing options for other payroll providers due to unacceptable customer service, processing errors, and increased costs experienced with the current provider. Upon review of the potential options, Mrs. Miles reported that the Fiscal Office has decided to change payroll providers to Paychex. Mr. Earman recommended that the change not be made until after the fourth quarter of 2007.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

Mr. Buck recommended to table further work on the proposed employee handbook until after the first of next year. Mr. Buck stated that the proposed handbook encompassed a number of changes that new leadership would be responsible for and he felt that given the importance of the handbook it would be in the best interest of the Board to table the matter until after the current election.

BIA – DARBY ACCORD PLAN

Mr. Buck presented the letter received from The Building Industry Association of Central Ohio(BIA) regarding the Darby Accord Plan. According to the letter, the BIA is unhappy with the Accord Plan and is asking the Trustees to support a better plan than is currently being proposed. Mr. Buck feels that the lesson people need to take is that there are consequences for the action taken by the Accord people who have disregarded township opposition.

RES. 07-58 Approval of a Lease Agreement with the City of Hilliard and Authorizing Its Execution

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Earman, to approve a lease agreement with the City of Hilliard and authorizing its execution for the Norwich Township Joint Safety Services Building. Motion passed.

RES. 07-65 Approval of Accept the Amounts & Rates Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Earman, for approval to accept the amounts and rates authorizing the necessary tax levies as provided by the Franklin County Budget Commission. Motion passed.

RES. 07-66 Executive Session – Personnel Matters

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Earman, to adjourn into executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(5) for matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes. Roll call vote was taken with all members voting yea. Motion passed.

Meeting of September 17, 2007 adjourned at approximately 7:45 p.m.

Mr. Larry Earman, Chairman

Jamie Miles, Fiscal Officer

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH
THE CITY OF HILLIARD AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION**

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2007, the Board of Trustees of Norwich Township and the Council of the City of Hilliard, desiring to cooperate with each other in providing a combined facility at a common site, which will allow Norwich Township and the City of Hilliard to service the current and future needs of their respective jurisdictions more efficiently than can be accomplished individually as they relate to fire and police services, communications facilities and administrative operations, entered into a Joint Construction and Management Agreement (the "Agreement") pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 715.02; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provided, in part, for by the Township and City to enter into a lease agreement (the "Lease") for a term of at least thirty (30) years and upon such other terms mutually satisfactory to both the Township and City, under which Lease the City would pay its allocated portion of the cost of the joint project in the manner and at the times set forth in the Lease; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Township and its residents to approve, enter into and authorize the execution of the Lease in order to accomplish the goals and objectives of the Agreement, all for the benefit and general welfare of all Township residents;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of CHARLES BUCK, seconded by LARRY EARMAN, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF NORWICH TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, (HEREINAFTER THE "BOARD") THAT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE AND IT HEREBY IS ADOPTED:

SECTION 1. The Board hereby adopts and approves the form of the Lease attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference, together with such changes therein and amendments thereto not inconsistent with either this Resolution or the Agreement and not adverse to the Township and which shall be approved by Larry Earman, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 2. The Board hereby authorizes, empowers and appoints, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, the Chairman of the Norwich Township Board of Trustees, Larry Earman, to execute the Lease in substantially that form attached hereto, along with any changes or amendments thereto, provided that the approval of those changes and amendments by Larry Earman, and the character of those changes and amendments as not being adverse to the Township shall be evidenced conclusively by Larry Earman's execution of the Lease.

SECTION 3. The Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

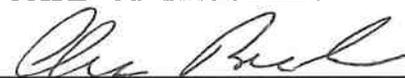
This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the 17th day of September, 2007.

ADOPTED: September 17, 2007

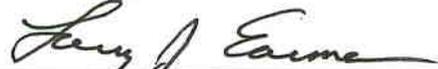
ATTEST:


Jamie Miles, Township Fiscal Officer

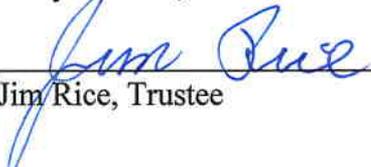
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Charles Buck, Trustee



Larry Earman, Trustee



Jim Rice, Trustee