

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

NORWICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes of

Meeting

5181 NORTHWEST PARKWAY, HILLIARD, OHIO

Held

July 5, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Larry Earman.

Roll Call -Charles Wm. Buck, Trustee - Present

Larry Earman, Vice-Chairman - Present

Michael D. Cope, Chairman-Absent

Also Present - Dave Long, Fire Chief

Bob Kaufman, Asst. Fire Chief

Steve Montgomery, Roads/Cemetery Dept. Wayne Warner, Township Administrator

AGENDA ADDITIONS

RITA issue with Township residents to be discussed later.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

Approval of Trustee Meeting Minutes for 6/20/11

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Earman, for the approval of the Norwich Township Trustee meeting minutes for the regular meeting of June 20, 2011.

Vote: Buck-Yes Cope-Absent Earman-Yes

Motion passed - #110705.01

HILLIARD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Francis unable to attend.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Long reported that Honor Guard was awarded the Best In Organization and Best Overall honors by the July 4th Parade Boosters. Aside from a few minor incidents, the fireworks went off without any major problems especially considering the volume of people who attended.

CEMETERY & ROAD DEPARTMENT

Mr. Cornell Robertson of the Franklin County Engineer's Office reported that phase one of the Schirtzinger Road Project has been completed. He represented three revisions to the approved plans and asked the Board to approve moving forward with the changes. The revisions included leaving six trees at the bend which are close to the work limits, replacing the twelve inch piping between the homes located on the south side of Schirtzinger just east of Stellar Road and at the eastern project limit adding additional drainage along the driveways to further enhance the drainage long this stretch of Schirtzinger Road. Mr. Robertson estimates the cost for these revisions to be approximately \$65,000, however, he does not anticipate the total project cost to increase significantly based upon the current bids that have been accepted. Mr. Buck and Mr. Earman agreed that any trees that are



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questionable should be taken down. Mr. Robertson noted that there could be changes that pop up down the road.

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Earman, for approval to proceed with the drainage refinements as presented.

Vote: Buck-Yes Cope-Absent Earman-Yes

Motion passed - #110705.02

Mr. Montgomery confirmed that the crew has been mowing grass once per week.

FISCAL OFFICE

Mrs. Miles provided the June 2011 payment and charge registers.

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Warner reported that Ohio American Water has filed a pre-notice to PUCO for a rate increase. The increase would be approximately \$9.43 per month for Timberbrook residents. Mr. Earman asked Mr. Warner to forward the letter to Representative Grossman. Mr. Warner reported that The Columbus Dispatch notified him that the Regional Income Tax Agency (RITA) has sent Township residents failure to pay notices. Apparently the notices were sent out based upon zip code and RITA has not differentiated between those people who live in the unincorporated Norwich Township and the city of Hilliard. Mr. Earman feels this is complete incompetence given the ability to access this information easily from the State and Franklin County Auditors websites. Mr. Warner will place an article in the newsletter on this matter. Mr. Buck asked Mr. Warner to follow up on a complaint he received from a Timberbrook resident about a downed tree that was hit by lighting. Mr. Buck will get the address to Mr. Warner.

Approval to Appoint Administrator Public Records Training Designee

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Earman, for approval to appoint Administrator Warner as the designee for the members of the Board of Trustees for public records training on Thursday, July 7th.

Vote: Buck-Yes Cope-Absent Earman-Yes

Motion passed - #110705.03

Approval of Resolution for 3936 Medford Square

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Earman, for approval of a resolution to proceed with the abatement and removal of grass and weeds constituting a nuisance from the property owned by Michael S. Rupp, located at 3936 Medford Square in Norwich Township, Franklin County, Ohio.

Vote: Buck-Yes Cope-Absent Earman-Yes

Motion passed - #110705.04



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Approval of Resolution for 3352 Darbyshire Drive

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Earman, for approval of a resolution to proceed with the abatement and removal of grass and weeds constituting a nuisance from the property owned by Regina McClish, located at 3352 Darbyshire Drive in Norwich Township, Franklin County, Ohio.

Vote: Buck-Yes Cope-Absent Earman-Yes

Motion passed - #110705.05

TRUSTEE-OLD BUSINESS - None

TRUSTEE-NEW BUSINESS - None

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Earman to adjourn the regular meeting of July 5th at 12:28 pm.

Larry Earman, Vice-Chairman

Janlie Miles, Fiscal Officer

RESOLUTION NO. 116705.05

RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH THE ABATEMENT AND REMOVAL OF GRASS AND WEEDS CONSTITUTING A NUISANCE FROM THE PROPERTY OWNED BY REGINA McCLISH, LOCATED AT 3352 DARBYSHIRE DRIVE IN NORWICH TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Norwich Township (the "Board") has found that the grass and weeds on the property at 3352 Darbyshire Drive in need of cutting and removal and further determined that the Debris constitutes a nuisance pursuant to the provisions of Section 505.87 of the Ohio Revised Code;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 505.87 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board is authorized to abate, control, or remove the nuisance after notice to the property's owners and lienholders of record of the Board's intention to remove such structure if the owner fails to abate, control, or remove the vegetation, garbage, refuse, or debris or make arrangements for such corrective measures within seven (7) days; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87, the Board is also authorized to order a property owner to remove such vegetation, garbage, refuse, or debris that constitutes a nuisance, and if the owner fails to remove the nuisance or make arrangements within an allotted time period, the Board may proceed to remove the debris and enter the costs on the tax duplicate for the property; and

WHEREAS, on or about June 14, 2011, the Norwich Township Administrator attempted to notify the owner and lienholder of record via certified mail of the Board's intention to remove the nuisance from the property if the condition of the property was not corrected, but to the Board's knowledge, no corrective actions have been taken or arrangements made at this time with respect to the abatement, control, or removal of the nuisance; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of Norwich Township (the "Township") and its residents to proceed under Section 505.87 of the Ohio Revised Code in order to remove the nuisance located on the Property.

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Norwich Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the following Resolution be, and it hereby is, adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby determines that the nuisance located on the Property must be removed pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87 and authorizes and directs the Township Administrator Wayne Warner to either (1) order Township employees, materials and equipment to be used to remove the nuisance at a rate of \$150.00 per hour or (2) enter into a contract, to be paid from the Township's general fund, with a suitable person or persons in order to have the nuisance removed; and all costs and expenses incurred in such work shall be reported to the Franklin County Auditor for collection as provided in Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in open meetings of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including but not limited to, Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, except as otherwise permitted thereby.

This Resolution # ILTIS Shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of enactment.

NORWICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

Adopted: July <u>5</u>⁺², 2011

Chuck Buck, Trustee

Attest and Certified

Mike Cope, Trustee

Jamie Miles, Township Fiscal Officer

Larry Earman, Trustee

RESOLUTION NO. 110 To 5. 04

RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH THE ABATEMENT AND REMOVAL OF GRASS AND WEEDS CONSTITUTING A NUISANCE FROM THE PROPERTY OWNED BY MICHAEL S. RUPP, LOCATED AT 3936 MEDFORD SQUARE IN NORWICH TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Norwich Township (the "Board") has found that the grass and weeds on the property at 3936 Medford Square in need of cutting and removal and further determined that the Debris constitutes a nuisance pursuant to the provisions of Section 505.87 of the Ohio Revised Code:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 505.87 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board is authorized to abate, control, or remove the nuisance after notice to the property's owners and lienholders of record of the Board's intention to remove such structure if the owner fails to abate, control, or remove the vegetation, garbage, refuse, or debris or make arrangements for such corrective measures within seven (7) days; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87, the Board is also authorized to order a property owner to remove such vegetation, garbage, refuse, or debris that constitutes a nuisance, and if the owner fails to remove the nuisance or make arrangements within an allotted time period, the Board may proceed to remove the debris and enter the costs on the tax duplicate for the property; and

WHEREAS, on or about May 26, 2011, the Norwich Township Administrator attempted to notify the owner and lienholder of record via certified mail of the Board's intention to remove the nuisance from the property if the condition of the property was not corrected, but to the Board's knowledge, no corrective actions have been taken or arrangements made at this time with respect to the abatement, control, or removal of the nuisance; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of Norwich Township (the "Township") and its residents to proceed under Section 505.87 of the Ohio Revised Code in order to remove the nuisance located on the Property.

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Norwich Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the following Resolution be, and it hereby is, adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby determines that the nuisance located on the Property must be removed pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87 and authorizes and directs the Township Administrator Wayne Warner to either (1) order Township employees, materials and equipment to be used to remove the nuisance at a rate of \$150.00 per hour or (2) enter into a contract, to be paid from the Township's general fund, with a suitable person or persons in order to have the nuisance removed; and all costs and expenses incurred in such work shall be reported to the Franklin County Auditor for collection as provided in Ohio Revised Code Section 505.87.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in open meetings of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including but not limited to, Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, except as otherwise permitted thereby.

This Resolution # 1101 \(\) shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of enactment.

NORWICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

Adopted: July 5, 2011

Chuck Buck, Trustee

Attest and Certified

ADSEN!

Mike Cope, Trustee

Jamie Miles, Township Fiscal Officer

Larry Earman, Trustee