



RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of **NORWICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES** Meeting
5181 NORTHWEST PARKWAY, HILLIARD, OHIO
Held **May 20, 2014**

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

Roll Call - **Timothy Roberts, Chairman – Present**
Charles Wm. Buck, Vice Chairman – Present
Larry Earman, Trustee – Present

Also Present - **Jeff Warren, Fire Chief**
Steve Montgomery, Roads/Cemetery Dept.
Kate Cavanaugh, Township Administrator

AGENDA ADDITIONS - None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jerry Baum, representative of the Hilliard Optimist, presented Firefighter Marty Spencer with The Firefighter of the Year Award.

Approval of Trustee Meeting Minutes for 05/06/14

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Earman, for the approval of the Norwich Township Trustee meeting minutes for the regular meeting on May 6, 2014.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Abstain

Motion passed - #140520.01

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Francis provided a recap of the swearing in ceremony held earlier for the City of Hilliard’s first two female supervisors, Suzy Muraco and Natalie Rylie.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

A swearing in ceremony was held for Battalion Chief Grile. Chief Warren confirmed that Battalion Chief Grile would be moving to 3 unit and Battalion Chief Young would be coming to 40 hours over the next few weeks.

CEMETERY & ROAD DEPARTMENT

Mr. Montgomery reported that the Memorial Day service would be held at 11:00 am on Monday (May 26th). Mr. Earman reviewed the costs of the 2014 Road projects, however, no action was taken for approval. Per Mr. Buck’s request, Mr. Montgomery will get the spring street sweeping scheduled as soon as possible.

FISCAL OFFICE – Nothing to report

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Cavanaugh reported that the condenser installation at Station 83 was completed today. The hole in the irrigation system is scheduled to be repaired next Tuesday. Ms. Cavanaugh requested action from the Board on a number of items including a legal retainer. According to Mr. Buck the retainer is to look at options for transferring the Brown Township portion that was recently annexed into Hilliard as it relates to fire safety services.



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Approval of Legal Retainer

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Buck, for approval of a Resolution Retaining Wanda L. Carter and the Firm of Newhouse, Prophater, Letcher & Moots, LLC.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #140520.02

Approval to Declare 3776 Braidwood Drive a Nuisance

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Buck, for approval to declare 3776 Braidwood Drive a nuisance property due to vegetation and debris.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #140520.03

Approval to Declare 3784 Ridgewood Drive a Nuisance

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Buck, for approval to declare 3784 Ridgewood Drive a nuisance property due to vegetation and debris.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #140520.04

Approval to Declare 3980 Schirtzinger Road a Nuisance

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Buck, for approval to declare 3980 Schirtzinger Road a nuisance property due to vegetation and debris.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #140520.06

Approval to Declare 4055-4075 Dublin Road a Nuisance

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Buck, for approval to declare 4055-4075 Dublin Road a nuisance property due to vegetation and debris.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #140520.07

Approval to Declare 3845 Dublin Road a Nuisance

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Buck, for approval to declare 3845 Dublin Road a nuisance property due to vegetation and debris.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #140520.08

Approval to COIRS COG Agreement

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Roberts, for approval an Agreement between the City of Hilliard, Ohio and The Norwich Township Board of Trustees for Use of the COIRS Communication System.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #140520.09

TRUSTEE-OLD BUSINESS

Eric Dehays of Local Waste asked the Board to support a change in waste pick up for the unincorporated areas of the Township from Tuesdays to Wednesdays. The change would be effective the first week of July and Mr. Dehays would ensure that all residents are notified by letter. In addition, signage will be placed throughout the Township. He confirmed Local Waste would forgo any fee increases up to \$3.00 if SWACO were to increase their fees. Mr. Dehays confirmed that Local Waste is the only locally owned waste hauler remaining in Franklin County.



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Approval of Change in Local Waste Pick Up Day

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Buck, for approval to move the trash pickup day to Wednesdays for the unincorporated areas of the Township.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #140520.10

TRUSTEE-NEW BUSINESS

The Board discussed the failure of the Brown Township fire levy that was placed on the May ballot. As of January 2014, Brown Township is in violation of their contract and it is not fair to Hilliard and Norwich Township residents. Mr. Earman stated that the Board is frustrated but serious. There are many issues that need to be resolved. We must make sure that Brown Elementary, Bradley High School, and the recently annexed Heritage Preserve are protected. Mr. Buck is hopeful that Brown Township's leadership will come up with a solution to the problem. All options need to be pursued.

Approval to Provide Notice of Cancellation of Brown Township Fire Contracted Service

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Buck, for approval to give notice to Brown Township that effective midnight, May 31, 2015, Norwich Township will cease to provide fire protection and emergency medical services to Brown Township.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #140520.11

Approval of Donation to Hilliard Area July 4th Boosters, Inc.

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to donate \$1,500 to the Hilliard Area July 4th Boosters, Inc. for the parade planning and preparation.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #140520.12

The regular meeting of May 20, 2014 adjourned at 6:45 PM.



Timothy Roberts, Chairman



Jamie Miles, Fiscal Officer