



RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of ***NORWICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES*** *Meeting*
Held **5181 NORTHWEST PARKWAY, HILLIARD, OHIO**
February 3, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Roberts.

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

Also Present - **Jeff Warren, Fire Chief**
Greg Young, Battalion Chief
Kate Cavanaugh, Township Administrator

AGENDA ADDITIONS

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

Approval of Trustee Meeting Minutes for 01/20/15

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Roberts, for the approval of the Norwich Township Trustee meeting minutes for the regular meeting on January 20, 2015.

Vote: Buck-Absent Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes

Motion passed - #150203.01

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Francis presented his January 2015 report, stating there was more activity this month than in past months. The three burglaries are currently under investigation.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Warren presented his 2014 Activity Report. Total runs are up by 262 runs from 2013. Mutual aid is listed by incident – more detailed reporting will be available for 2015. Chief Warren asked the Board to consider a motion to extend a conditional employment offer to Dmritri Chmil based on the following – passing a background check, passing a physical exam, and passing a 10 panel drug screen.

Approval to Hire Chmil

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to offer full-time employment to Firefighter Dmritri Chmil contingent upon three factors: passing a background check, passing a physical exam, and passing a 10 panel drug screen and to be effective February 23, 2015.

Vote: Buck-Absent Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes

Motion passed - #150203.02

CEMETERY & ROAD DEPARTMENT

Nothing to report.

FISCAL OFFICE

Nothing to report.



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TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Cavanaugh requested approval of the 2015 trash exemption requests. She also reported that the Township legal counsel has no additional changes to the building construction agreement other than the minor changes previously suggested. Ms. Cavanaugh reported that the Township has been asked to participate in a CleanFuel Ohio grant request with the City of Hilliard and the Hilliard City Schools. Mr. Roberts requested that a representative from CleanFuel Ohio be invited to a future Trustee meeting.

Approval of 2015 Trash Collection Exemptions

Motion by Mr. Earman, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to approve the request received from a resident at 6123 Sunny Vale Drive for exemption of trash collection and related charges for 2015.

Vote: Buck-Absent Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes Motion passed - #150203.03

TRUSTEE-OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

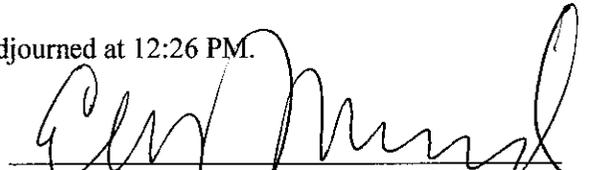
TRUSTEE-NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Earman stated that the City of Hilliard received over \$868,000 in TIFs from 2014. This revenue represents both residential and commercial TIFs, with residential TIFs surpassing commercial TIFs for the first time, according to Mr. Roberts. Mr. Earman stated that the Board vigorously opposes any TIFs imposed by the City of Hilliard and realizes that the Board is powerless to stop them. But, Mr. Earman wants his opinion heard. Mr. Les Carrier, Hilliard City Councilman, asked the Board how TIFs impact the Township. Mrs. Miles stated that it is the cumulative effect of the TIFs, beginning in 2009 with the construction of the Tremont Club. Mr. Roberts stated that the Township realizes increased fuel costs, wear and tear on equipment, increased runs as well as the possibility of not having vehicles available to paying residents when TIFs of residential areas are allowed. Mr. Carrier asked why the Township would need to seek another levy sooner than expected. Mr. Earman stated that another levy would be required if salary benefits increased dramatically or if another Medic is needed in service due to an increase in EMS runs. Mr. Andy Teater, Hilliard City Schools Board Member, stated that the schools are affected as well by TIFs. According to him, school district taxes are higher in the City of Hilliard than in Dublin and Hilliard schools spend 10% less per student. Schools have some say in commercial TIFs but not residential ones.

The regular meeting of February 3, 2015 adjourned at 12:26 PM.



Timothy Roberts, Chairman



Ellen Woodford, Assistant Fiscal Officer