

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Meeting Plain Township Board of Trustee Meeting

Held Fire Station 7:00 p.m.

The Plain Township Board of Trustees met in regular session at the Plain Township Administrative Office, 45 Second Street, New Albany, Ohio.

Mr. Ferguson called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call: Members Present: Dave Ferguson, Dave Olmstead and Tom Rybski. Bud Zappitelli Fiscal Officer was present. Other people present were Ben Collins, Chief Hoovler, Bob Pharris, Cindy Powell, Battalion Chief Ecleberry and Firefighter Newton.

Visitors present were Sheriff Deputy Ken Upton and Mike Durik.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Olmstead added a discussion about the McCoy Center for the Arts under the Administrator. Chief Hoovler made a correction to Resolution 090419F1. He said the resolution is for Physio Control equipment not cot maintenance. Mr. Collins added resolution 090419F2. Mr. Zappitelli requested an executive session for the purpose of employment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Rybski made a motion to approve the August 21, 2019 Board of Trustees Meeting minutes as submitted. Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Rybski - Aye. Mr. Olmstead abstained. (Resolution 19090401)

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pay the pending warrants in the amount of \$442,244.18.

Mr. Olmstead seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye (Resolution 1090402)

CITY LIASON - MIKE DURIK

Mr. Durik said City Council met yesterday and it was a short meeting. They went over a few small zoning and right of way items for Jug Street. They approved 55 acres that is considered preserved wet lands that they will not be able to develop. It will be submitted to the Army Corps of Engineers for approval. Mr. Ferguson thanked Mr. Durik for sharing the Rose Run master plan and proposed roundabout.

ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Collins reported that the pool season wrapped up and it was a good season. We are waiting for the final concession and vending commissions. We are still way above last year. There was a 50% increase in swim lessons over 2018.

Mr. Collins said that the Township received notice that there was a positive test for West Nile disease in the southern half of the Township and City of New Albany. Franklin County Public Health will be spraying south of Dublin-Granville Road tomorrow evening, September 5, 2019. It is our first positive test this season.

Mr. Collins said that he attended the city's Strategic Plans Steering Committee. Traffic was a major topic.

Mr. Collins said he is still working on the Township's health insurance for 2020. He is coordinating with the broker to get the Form Fire access set up. We will start the process of rolling out to market on October 1, 2019. Renewal is January 1, 2020. Mr. Ferguson inquired about the Townships liability with the Jefferson Health plan run out claims. There is a \$35,000 residual based on the amount Plain Township paid for runout claims and the amount actually spent. The remainder will be credited to Plain Township towards any final deficit. There is still pending litigation in Stark County.

Mr. Ferguson also discussed the Strategic Master Plan for the cemetery. He wanted to know if any more thought has been given to options or phases of building a columbarium. Mr. Collins reported that we had an increase in General Fund receipts of \$38,000. He said a lot of those projects would be funding contingent.

Mr. Olmstead discussed the McCoy Board's request for an appointment to the board of a person from the unincorporated area of Plain Township. The McCoy Board has some candidates if the Plain Township Board of Trustees does not have anyone to recommend.

Mr. Olmstead made a motion to pass Resolution No. 190904A1. Be it Resolved, by the Board of Trustees of Plain Township, Franklin County, that the Board of Trustees and Plain Township Fire Department hereby recognize the need for the improvements and supports the City of New Albany's application for funding consideration to make improvements to the U.S.62/SR605 Bypass-Market Street Extension Project. Plain Township specifically supports this application in order to alleviate congestion points that have formed on major arterial roadways in the village center and to improve emergency response times that may be impacted by that traffic congestion. Improvements to this roadway infrastructure will provide for the public health, safety and welfare of the residents. Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye

ZONING

Mr. Collins spoke with the City of New Albany staff about the Columbus application of Warner Road. This is for a new apartment development, 180 units on 8 acres. Mr. Collins is concerned

about the density. The accepted density at that location is 12 units an acre. The RFBA did not take any action on it. Other concerns voiced at the meeting centered on the traffic impact.

Mr. Olmstead made a motion to table Resolution 190904Z1-A Resolution to Declare a Nuisance and Order Abatement. Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye

ROADS/MAINTENANCE

Mr. Pharris gave a pool update. They are beginning the process of closing it down today. They have started taking down the playground equipment so that they can switch out the platforms.

Mr. Pharris said that he tried out the Case Backhoe that was discussed at the last Trustee meeting and he was not happy with the way it performed. He presented a proposal for a John Deere Backhoe. Mr. Olmstead requested that Mr. Pharris provide pros and cons on different size machinery and total costs estimates.

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pass Resolution 190904M1. Be it Resolved: To pay the Franklin County Engineer's Office, an amount not to exceed \$11,734.95 for drainage repairs to the unincorporated portion of Bevelhymer Road, south of Walnut Street, to be paid out of 11-B-03 (Roads – Contracts).

Mr. Olmstead seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Hoovler said there were 95 fire and EMS runs since the last Board of Trustees meeting.

Chief Hoovler stated that the transition of the new officers and the shifting of personnel have gone very well. There have been a few issues with the new ladder truck; they couldn't operate the ladder from the bucket. It was quickly remedied. It was an electronic issue but they were still able to operate the ladder from the turntable. Chief Hoovler said that Rope Rescue training started today. Gary Hamilton is doing the training.

Mr. Rybski said the promotional ceremony went very well.

Battalion Chief Ecleberry reviewed the Capital Improvement needs. Among other items was the need to purchase a new Medic for 2020, reconditioning the Engine Rescue that is 10 years old, the grass truck, lettering and graphic updates on the two medics. When reviewing vendors and manufacturers, vendors were saying that there is a shortage of Dodge Chassis. He talked to Horton and they advised that they were also experiencing the same shortage of Dodge Chassis. It was said that it could take a year from the time of ordering to get a chassis from Dodge. However, Horton was able to get a chassis from Dodge and they are currently holding it for Plain Township because we are a former customer. This would replace a 2004 Medic with 146,000 miles. Horton also has a 3% price increase coming in October 2019 on medic units. There was discussion about other vendors and equipment. Battalion Chief Ecleberry discussed the

advantage of Horton being a local company and the benefit that serves with maintenance. Mr. Olmstead discussed that our TIF funding is up over last year approximately \$173,000. Mr. Collins reported that we have some funding available in Fire Capital available. Chief Ecleberry also discussed the cost of wrapping the medic trucks versus painting lettering and graphics.

Chief Hoovler reported that the consultants for the roof are scheduled to be at the fire station September 12, 2019.

Mr. Olmstead made a motion to pass Resolution No. 190904F1. Be it resolved to pay Stryker \$22,024.80 for a multi-year maintenance contract that runs through May 13, 2022, out of fund 28-A-05F. (EMS-Other-Routine Maintenance)

The multi-year contract provides the fire department with a 15% discount on the service agreement cost.

Stryker

11811 Willows Road NE

P.O. Box 97006

Redmond, WA 98073-9706

Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pass Resolution No. 190904F2. Be it resolved to accept the FEMA Assistant to Firefighters grant for the fire alarm system in the fire station in the amount of \$42,857.14. This will require a matching fund in the amount of \$2,142.86 from the fire department. Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT – DEPUTY KEN UPTON

Deputy Ken Upton reported that there are no crime patterns to report. The Sheriff's department is doing their best to keep up with the speeding complaints from the school and driving around the school buses.

FISCAL OFFICE

Mrs. Powell reported that we received the Homestead and Rollback after the board packets went out and there was a 5 cent difference for all funds. There was discussion on the increase in funds from 1st half to 2nd half 2019 property tax receipts.

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pass Resolution No. 190904B1. Be it resolved, to amend Exhibit A of the Plain Township Credit Card Account Policy adopted on January 23, 2019 and updated August 7, 2019 in order to add authorized users to the Home Depot account and increase the purchase limit of The Huntington National Bank credit cards for the Township Administrator and Fire Chief.

Mr. Olmstead seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to adjourn into executive session 8:10 p.m. pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G)(1) for appointment, employment, promotion or compensation, demotion or dismissal. Mr. Olmstead seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: All Aye


Mr. Zappitelli, Mr. Collins and Mrs. Powell also attended the Executive Session. Mrs. Powell left the executive session at 8:37 p.m.

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to close out of executive session at 8:40 p.m. Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: All Aye

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Mr. Olmstead seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:



David Ferguson, Trustee



Dave Olmstead, Trustee

Thomas Rybski, Trustee



Bud Zappitelli, Fiscal Officer