

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting

Held

OCTOBER 5,

2009

Vice-Chairman Lynn Stewart called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:30 P.M. with Mr. Angelou and the Fiscal Officer, Nancy White present. Chairman Spanovich was absent.

Also present were:

Charlene (Charlie) Johnson	2073 Republic Ave.
Curtis Johnson	2073 Republic Ave.
Dolly Hanning	2354 Agler Rd.
Dan Bender	Rocky Fork Enterprise
Allissa Prior	1294 Bayboro Dr.
Jenny Demjanenko	340 Dobbins Dr.
Michael Grossman	Battalion Chief
William Price	Police Lieutenant
Steve Blake	Police/Code Officer
Calvin McKnight	Service Director

CONSENT AGENDA

Res. 265-09: Approve Minutes of September 11, 2009 and September 15, 2009 and the November Warrants

Mr. Angelou moved to approve the minutes of September 11, 2009 and September 15, 2009 and the November warrants for payroll and bills. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

TRUSTEES' COMMENTS

Mrs. Stewart said that a free defense program was given by the Franklin County Sheriff's Department at the Community Center on September 21, 2009 and she feels it was a very big success. Mr. Angelou said he agreed and was very impressed with the turnout. He said the presenters gave some very good defense information. Mr. Angelou commended the Police Department for working with the community and making them aware of protecting themselves. Steve Blake said there has been a lot of interest in continuing with this and moving to the next phase of hands-on self-defense.

Mrs. Stewart said she attended the Open House at Fire Station 131 for Fire Prevention Week and it was a great success. She commended the entire Fire Department for putting together a very good program and a real learning experience especially for children. Battalion Chief Grossman said there were probably over 400 people in attendance. He said the newly formed Ladies Auxiliary did a lot of the coordination with this program and it was great having them involved.

Mr. Angelou welcomed the senior government students from Gahanna Lincoln High School and explained the difference between Township and City governments. They were given pamphlets on the history and functions of townships which is the oldest form of government.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Fiscal Officer presented the following correspondence to the Board:

1. Letter from the Franklin County Engineer regarding a pre-construction meeting for the Parkwood Avenue, Mifflin Township 2009 Street Improvements project which was held last week. Calvin McKnight said this is the CDBG Sidewalk Project and he met with them today as they are already working on this project and hope to have it done before a snowfall.
2. Letter from the Franklin County Engineer that they are hosting the October Franklin County Township Association meeting on Thursday, October 8, 2009
3. Notice from the Franklin County Board of Health and Columbus Public Health of a meeting on Wednesday, October 7, 2009 to learn about their H1N1 Planning and Community Management Response Plan. Battalion Chief Grossman said that Battalion Chief Taylor has been attending those meetings and the Fire Department has two personnel per shift who did a "train the trainer" with the Franklin County Board of Health and COTS (Central Ohio Trauma System). They will be working out of Station 134 to do the immunizations. The Fire Department will be wearing masks when dealing with flu cases as well as the Police Department.

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4. Franklin County Board of Health Quarterly Report from April 1, 2009 – June 30, 2009 was received for our review.
5. The Maintenance Agreement was received from the City of Gahanna for signatures.

The Fiscal Officer requested that two fund transfers be approved.

Res. 266-09: Approve Transfer of Funds Within Named Accounts as Requested by Fiscal Officer

Mr. Angelou moved to transfer funds as requested by the Fiscal Officer as follows:

1-B-2 to 1-B-4 \$2500.00
28-A-1 to 28-A-9D \$3500.00

Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS (NEW BUSINESS):

ADMIN – The Fiscal Officer said we received a request to use the Meeting Room for a Children’s Theatre Program through Mouth of the Wolf Productions, Inc. It would be an eight week program every Wednesday starting in January, 2010. The Trustees had several questions regarding this and asked that it be placed on hold for the next meeting for clarification of this program.

IT – Mrs. Stewart said that the Trustees received a request from Paul Adkins to purchase material for network wiring at Station 132 for the Fire and Police Departments in the amount of \$332.33. He said that the Service Department has agreed to assist him in running the cabling which will save the Township approximately \$1,000.00. Mrs. Stewart said she would sign off on the request.

SERVICE – Calvin McKnight said that the Franklin County Engineers advised him that the OPWC Road Improvements Project is on hold until spring due to the fact the bids were 10% over the estimated construction cost. He said that our other paving project being done by Franklin County from Road Levy money is underway and paving is being completed at this time. The CDBG Sidewalk Project on Parkwood is also underway in progress.

Calvin McKnight said he just received quotes today to replace a heat exchanger at Station 131. To replace the whole unit would cost approximately \$15,000.00. This is an emergency situation and after talking with Chief DeConnick, it was decided that repairing it would be the best option. The best price we received was from Quality Air, a company previously used, in the amount of \$2730.20 for the heat exchanger and repair.

Res. 267-09: Approve Replacing Heat Exchanger and Labor at Station 131 by Quality Air for \$2730.20

Mr. Angelou moved to approve replacing a Heat Exchanger and labor at Station 131 by Quality Air in the amount of \$2730.20 as recommended by Calvin McKnight and Chief DeConnick. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

POLICE – Lt. Price requested the Trustees declare Police Cruisers #304 and #308 as surplus and eligible to be sold through govdeals.com.

Res. 268-09: Declare Police Cruisers #304 and #308 as Surplus and Eligible to be Sold

Mrs. Stewart moved to declare Police Cruisers #304 and #308 as surplus and eligible to be sold through govdeals.com as recommended by Lt. Price. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Lt. Price said that there was an incident in our Township which was on the news involving shots being fired and cruisers but not Mifflin’s. It turned out that two of our new Officers actually made the arrest. He said that the Chief and Police Department are in the process of another investigation at this time.

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Lt. Price said that Officer Todd Ekleberry has accepted an instructor position with the Central Ohio Technical College and is requesting to resign as a Full-time Officer and return to his Part-time Officer status effective October 14, 2009.

Res. 269-09: Accept Resignation of Full-time Police Officer Todd Ekleberry with Regret Per His Request Effective October 14, 2009

Mr. Angelou moved to accept the resignation of Full-time Police Officer Todd Ekleberry with regret per his request effective October 14, 2009. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 270-09: Approve Hiring and Returning Todd Ekleberry to a Part-time Paid Police Officer Status per His Request Effective October 14, 2009

Mr. Angelou moved to approve hiring and returning Todd Ekleberry to a Part-time Paid Police Officer status per his request effective October 14, 2009. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Lt. Price said that we received our two new Police Cruisers and they should be in service in approximately two weeks. He said that a radio that was to be taken from one of the surplus cruisers and placed on a new cruiser is missing. We received \$1455.50 from the insurance company. However, a new radio will cost \$3911.00 leaving a difference of \$2455.50.

Lt. Price requested the Trustees approve the purchase of a new radio with the \$2455.50 being taken from the General Fund, if the Police budget cannot support it. He also requested the Trustees approve \$250.00 to be taken from the General Fund for Halloween candy to be passed out from the Police Cruisers.

Res. 271-09: Approve Purchasing a New Radio to Replace Missing Radio for \$3911.00 Less Insurance Check of \$1455.50 with the Remainder of \$2455.50 Being Paid from the General Fund if Money is Not Available in Police Fund

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve purchasing a new radio to replace the missing radio for \$3911.00 less the insurance check for \$1455.50 with the remainder of \$2455.50 being paid from the General Fund if money is not available in Police Fund. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 272-09: Approve \$250.00 to be Taken from the General Fund for Halloween Candy to be Passed Out From the Police Cruisers

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve \$250.00 to be taken from the General Fund for Halloween candy to be passed out from the Police Cruisers as requested by Sgt. Baker. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

CODE – Mrs. Stewart said that Steve Blake asked the Trustees to pass a Resolution to recognize the volunteers for their outstanding efforts and hard work in their clean-up efforts in Mifflin Township during Columbus Pride Week. Mrs. Stewart read Resolution No. 254-09 which was passed at the last meeting listing all the names of the volunteers. Charlene Johnson and Curtis Johnson were present today to receive their Resolutions. Steve Blake will hand deliver the Resolutions to the other volunteers. Mrs. Stewart and Mr. Angelou both said the Trustees appreciated their participation and all of their hard work.

Steve Blake said the high grass issue is coming to an end, but with cold weather, it is necessary to keep the vacant houses boarded. He said the Service Department has been a very big help.

FIRE – Battalion Chief Grossman said the Fire Department has several items before the Board recommended by Chief DeConnick for approval as follows:

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Res. 273-09: Approve EMS Medications from BoundTree Medical for \$1394.18

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve Purchase Request No. 10.01.09 for EMS medications per list from BoundTree Medical for \$1394.18. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 274-09: Approve WebStaff and TeleStaff Service & Support Renewal Agreements for 1 Year with PDSI for a Total of \$7560.00 Including Plain Township's Share

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the WebStaff and TeleStaff Service & Support Renewal Agreements for 1 year with PDSI for a total of \$7560.00 including Plain Township's share. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 275-09: Approve Office Furnishings for Fire Annex Office Areas from Urban Office for a Total of \$23,141.50

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve Purchase Request No. 09.04.09 for office furnishings for Fire Annex office areas from Urban Office for a total of \$23,141.40. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 276-09: Approve Request for P/T MECC Dispatcher Todd Poole to Attend EMD Certification Course in Youngstown from October 22-24, 2009

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the request for P/T MECC Dispatcher Todd Poole to attend the EMD Certification Course in Youngstown from October 22-24, 2009. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Mrs. Stewart signed off on a request to attend a training course at the Ohio Fire Academy by Battalion Chief Tim Taylor entitled EMS Test Item Writing Workshop for a cost of \$20.00.

Res. 277-09: Approve Service Credit Bonuses for Kaltenbach, DeMooy, Grizzle and Chief DeConnick as Presented

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve service credit bonuses for John Kaltenbach and Robert DeMooy in the amount of \$700/each and Gary Grizzle and L. James DeConnick in the amount of \$1100/each as presented at the discretion of the Board and funds permitting. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Battalion Chief Grossman gave the Trustees a copy of the accident report involving the Fire Prevention van. Chief DeConnick was driving the van and hit a deer when it ran into the roadway. An insurance claim has been filed.

Res. 278-09: Accept Resignation of Part-time Firefighter Michael A. Mason per His Request Effective September 18, 2009

Mrs. Stewart moved to accept the resignation of Part-time Firefighter Michael A. Mason who has accepted a Full-time position in Newark effective September 18, 2009. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Battalion Chief Grossman read a letter sent by Chief Eisel of the Violet Township Fire Department to one of the MECC Dispatchers, Lt. Tami Wass. He commended her for handling of an incident that resulted in the safety of the EMS crew and the patient.

Mrs. Stewart also asked that Battalion Chief Grossman pass on the thanks of our Trustees for a job well done.

Res. 279-09: Approve Holmatro Core Rescue System Including All Equipment as Quoted for the New Rescue Vehicle from Sutphen Corporation for a Total of \$37,042.00

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the Purchase Requests for the Holmatro Core Rescue System including all equipment as quoted for the new Rescue Vehicle from Sutphen Corporation for a total of \$37,042.00. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

