

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of **MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES** Meeting

Held **DECEMBER 7,** **2009**

Mr. Spanovich called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:30 P.M. with Mr. Angelou, Mrs. Stewart and the Fiscal Officer, Nancy White, present.

Also present were:

Dolly Hanning	2354 Agler Rd.
Mark Samko	Clearwire Wireless
Dan Bender	Rocky Fork Enterprise
Jim DeConnick	Fire Chief
Calvin McKnight	Service Director
Gahanna Lincoln High School Government Students	

Mr. Spanovich led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Mr. Angelou offered a Prayer.

Mr. Spanovich welcomed the senior students from the Gahanna Lincoln High School government classes and introduced the elected officials and Fire Chief DeConnick.

CONSENT AGENDA

Res. 302-09: Approve Minutes of 10/5/09, 10/12/09, 11/2/09 and 11/11/09

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2009, October 12, 2009, November 2, 2009 and November 11, 2009 meetings. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 303-09: Approve January 2010 Warrants

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the January 2010 warrants for payroll and insurance bills. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Spanovich turned the meeting over to Mark Samko to present a Clearwire Wireless Antenna proposal. He said he works for FMHC which is a contractor for Clearwire Wireless Antennas. Mr. Samko asked the Board to consider allowing cellular antennas on the tower located by the Service Department buildings. He said this would be good for the Township due to the monetary benefit but also to the residents upgrading their wireless internet capacity, data for cell phones and E911 service. The Trustees agreed to invite him back to do a full presentation so a decision could be made after a feasibility study is done.

TRUSTEES' COMMENTS

Mrs. Stewart inquired about the TIF information. The Fiscal Officer said she will follow up and let her know when she receives something.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT – Nancy White said that she and Mrs. Stewart met with Burnham & Flower regarding our Health insurance and it will probably be another two weeks before we can get information on renewal rates. Our Dental insurance went up about 2% for next year and the Life and Vision will remain the same.

The Fiscal Officer said she received an E-mail from the Director of the Franklin County Emergency Management and Homeland Security. The Whelen Engineering Company has stopped making the amplifiers for the WPS 3000 model siren and they will not be repairable. They have a siren upgrade available for \$6,114.00 per siren. They have Mifflin Township listed as having one of these siren but we are not sure which one it is. Mrs. Stewart asked Calvin McKnight to check on it.

The Fiscal Officer said she received an E-mail from Guy Votaw, Asst. Vice President, Ohio Risk Management Services, Frank Gates/Avizent regarding the Group Retrospective Rating program to save money on BWC premiums. He enclosed projections for a 10, 15 and 20 percent maximum premium ratio to consider. She said she is recommending the 15%.

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Res. 304-09: Approve the Group Retrospective Rating at a 15% Maximum Premium Ratio as Presented by Ohio Risk Management Services

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the Group Retrospective Rating at a 15% Maximum Premium Ratio as presented by Ohio Risk Management Services and recommended by the Fiscal Officer. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. (See Referral File)

The Fiscal Officer said that at this time of year fund transfers within the funds are needed for payroll and bills. Funds are available but not in the appropriated accounts needed without transfers.

Res. 305-09: Approve Fund Transfers Within the Funds as Needed by the Fiscal Officer to be Appropriated for Payroll and Bills

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve fund transfers within the funds as needed by the Fiscal Officer to be appropriated in the accounts for payroll and bills. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Spanovich said the Trustees have agreed to hold a General (Special) Meeting on Friday, December 18, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. to finalize year end business and 2010 budgets.

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS (NEW BUSINESS)

ADMIN – The Fiscal Officer said that we have a request from God’s Way Ministries to rent the Community Center on New Year’s Eve from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. for activities and a church service. They put down a \$200.00 deposit.

Res. 306-09: Approve Community Center Rental Request of God’s Way Ministries for New Year’s Eve on Thursday, December 31, 2009 from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the Community Center rental request of God’s Way Ministries for New Year’s Eve on Thursday, December 31, 2009 from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. under the resident guidelines. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

SERVICE – Mr. Spanovich said the following items were presented to the Board for approval by the Service Director, Calvin McKnight:

Res. 307-09: Approve Foreman Bonus for Daril Tharp in the Amount of \$500.00

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve a Foreman Bonus for Daril Tharp in the amount of \$500.00 as has been done in the past from the 5-A-02 account at the discretion of the Board and funds available. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 308-09: Approve 2010 Budget as Presented by the Service Director

Mr. Angelou moved to approve the 2010 Budget as presented by the Service Director. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Angelou signed off on the invoice from Cyrus Concrete Construction in the amount of \$1,459.00 for a storm drain.

Res. 309-09: Approve Service Director’s Request to Lock-in Price for Mower Purchases in 2010 from Buckeye Power Sales for a Total of \$2,850 with Trade-ins for Three Mowers

Mr. Angelou moved to approve the Service Director’s request to lock-in the price for mower purchases in 2010 from Buckeye Power Sales for a total of \$2,850 with trade-ins for three mowers. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Spanovich said the request for pay bonuses for the Service Department employees for \$1,000/each will be held for the December 18, 2009 meeting.

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POLICE – No one was able to attend this meeting at this time.

FIRE – Mr. Spanovich said there are several requests before the Board from the Fire Department for approval. He asked that the following Purchase Requests for EMS supplies be held for the December 18, 2009 meeting to verify the availability of funds in the 28-A-6 account: Purchase Requests No. 12.02.09, 12.03.09, 12.04.09 and 12.05.09.

Res. 310-09: Approve New Copiers for Annex Admin Building and Fire Sta. 131 from MOM on Five Year Leases for Approximately \$2242 & \$1232 per Year

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve a new copier for the Annex Admin Building and for Fire Sta. 131 from MOM for a five year lease at approximately \$2242 and \$1232 per year as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

The Trustees placed the training requests of Firefighter Cordell and Lt. Lee and the Fitness Incentive Program for 2009 on hold for the December 18, 2009 meeting.

Res. 311-09: Approve Service Credit Bonus for Lt. Christopher Brake for \$900.00

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve a service credit bonus for Christopher Brake in the amount of \$900.00 at the discretion of the Board and funds permitting as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Spanovich said the Service Credit Bonuses list for January 2010 will be held until the new budgets are in place.

Res. 312-09: Approve Promoting Robert DeMooy to the Rank of Battalion Chief Effective December 13, 2009 on 1-Year Probation at the Current Pay Schedule

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve promoting Robert DeMooy to the rank of Battalion Chief effective December 13, 2009 on 1-year probation at the current pay schedule as recommended by Chief DeConnick and Deputy Chief Kauser. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 313-09: Approve Promoting Christopher Brake to the Rank of Captain Effective December 13, 2009 on 1-year Probation at the Current Pay Schedule

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve promoting Christopher Brake to the rank of Captain effective December 13, 2009 on 1-year probation at the current pay schedule as recommended by Chief DeConnick and Deputy Chief Kauser. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 314-09: Approve Promoting Scott Davis to the Rank of Lieutenant Effective December 13, 2009 on 1-Year Probation at the Current Pay Schedule

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve promoting Scott Davis to the rank of Lieutenant effective December 13, 2009 on 1-year probation at the current pay schedule as recommended by Chief DeConnick and Deputy Chief Kauser. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 315-09: Approve Promoting Christopher Lundak to the Rank of Firefighter from a Career Firefighter-Technician Position Effective December 27, 2009 on 1-Year Probation at the Current Pay Schedule

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve promoting Christopher Lundak to the rank of Firefighter from a Career Firefighter-Technician Position effective December 27, 2009 on 1-year probation at the current pay schedule as recommended by Chief DeConnick and Deputy Chief Kauser. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

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Mr. Spanovich moved to approve hiring Part-time Firefighter Marcus Waldrop as a Full-time Career Firefighter-Technician contingent on satisfactory approval of a pension based physical examination and drug testing on 1-year probation with the effective date to be determined as recommended by Chief DeConnick and Deputy Chief Kauser. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 317-09: Approve Establishing New Pay Rate for Deputy Chief Kauser at \$46.78/Hr. Effective December 13, 2009

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve establishing a new pay rate for Deputy Chief Kauser at \$46.78 per hour effective December 13, 2009 as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 318-09: Approve Vacation Carry-over Request of Firefighter Workman for 276 Hours to be Used Within 90 Days of 2010

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve the vacation carry-over request of Firefighter Cliff Workman for 276 hours due to illness to be used within 90 days as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 319-09: Accept Resignation of Career Firefighter-Technician Joseph Herren per His Request Effective December 4, 2009

Mr. Spanovich moved to accept the resignation of Career Firefighter-Technician Joseph Herren per his request effective December 4, 2009 due to accepting a position with the Plain Township Fire Department as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 320-09: Approve Office Chair & Guest Chairs for the Annex Admin Building from Urban Office for \$1855.35

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve Purchase Request #12.06.09 for an office chair and guest chairs for the Annex Admin Building from Urban Office for \$1855.35 as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Spanovich said the Priority Dispatch Maintenance Agreement invoice for MECC in the amount of \$4,454.00 will be held for the December 18, 2009 meeting.

Mr. Spanovich signed off on the Finley Fire Equipment invoice for Engine 134 repair in the amount of \$1,913.57.

Mrs. Stewart asked that the Keytel Service Agreement and the Affiliated Service Agreement be placed on the agenda for the December 18, 2009 meeting.

Chief DeConnick reported on the following to the Board:

1. A thank you letter was received from Cindy Schirtzinger regarding the passing of her husband Roger Schirtzinger, Jr. She commended Dispatcher Joe Bradley and all the Fire personnel who worked so hard to save his life.
2. Retired Firefighter Mona Lord's Mother passed away on November 22, 2009.
3. Firefighter Pat Ike's Mother passed away and her funeral was December 4, 2009.
4. Whitehall Chief Tim Tilton's Son passed away and his funeral will be on December 10, 2009.
5. The Gahanna Planning Commission meeting will be held December 9, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fire Department Annex.
6. Battalion Chief DeMooy was involved in an auto accident while being on a run. The other driver was at fault.

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7. The Chief said that this Thursday he will be at the ABC Channel 4 Studio as one of the Firefighters for kids taking calls for donations.
8. The Chief said that he has vacation to use but he will be available if needed.
9. The Chief said he will check on the invoice for the Signs of Tomorrow.

Mr. Spanovich asked that Jim Mills be invited to the December 18, 2009 meeting.

VISITOR COMMENT

Dolly Hanning thanked all the Trustees for their donations for the food baskets. Mrs. Stewart thanked Dolly for all the efforts she has put into the food drive and all she has done for the residents of the unincorporated area of the Township. Mrs. Hanning said that she has 90 requests for food baskets already.

The Lincoln High School students were given brochures on the functions of Township Government. Mr. Angelou explained the differences between City and Township Government.

The Next Meeting will be on Friday, December 18, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. The Organizational Meeting will be on Monday, January 4, 2010 at 3:30 p.m.

There being no further business, Mr. Angelou moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Joseph F. Spanovich, Chairman

Nancy M. White, Fiscal Officer