

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

Held

JUNE 17,

2008

Chairman Spanovich called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. with Mr. Angelou, Mrs. Stewart and the Fiscal Officer, Nancy White, present.

Also present were:

Dolly Hanning	2354 Agler Rd.
Meicha Walpole	2354 Agler Rd.
Mary Coffmon	2420 Northglen Dr.
Carolyn Pack	2420 Northglen Dr.
Robert Bradley	2299 Mecca Rd.
Matt Monell	406 Howland Dr.
Ken Bing	2610 Ferris Rd.
Jim DeConnick	Fire Chief
Calvin McKnight	Service Director
Steve Blake	Code Enforcement Officer

Mrs. Stewart led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Mr. Angelou offered a Prayer and asked for a few moments of silent meditation reflecting on the needs of others.

Res. 146-08: Approve Minutes of May, 20, 2008, May 22, 2008 & June 2, 2008

Mr. Angelou moved to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2008, May 22, 2008 and June 2, 2008 meetings. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 147-08: Approve Warrants for July, 2008

Mr. Angelou moved to approve the July, 2008 warrants for payroll and bills. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Fiscal Officer presented the Board with the following correspondence:

1. Franklin County Technical Review Committee Agenda listing no rezoning cases for Mifflin Township.
2. Franklin County Planning Monthly Agenda for June, 2008 showing no cases for Mifflin Township.
3. Franklin County Board of Health notice that Kenneth Bing, the owner of 2583 Ferris Park Dr. S. is growing noxious and/or harmful weeds.
4. Franklin County Economic Development & Planning Department letter from Bonita M. Carroll, Sr. Program Coordinator advising they have plans to launch a business retention and expansion program and want to partner with us on this initiative.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT – Nancy White said that a Public Hearing is scheduled for July 7, 2008 as part of our Staff Meeting at 10:00 a.m. for the proposed 2009 Budget. The Department Heads were given their figures in preparation of completing the budget. This is just an estimate for 2009 due to the Auditor's office by July 20.

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS (NEW BUSINESS)

ADMIN

Res. 148-08: Approve Maintenance Renewal on Compellent Equipment as Quoted by Compellent Technologies for \$12,113.00

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the maintenance renewal on the Compellent Equipment as quoted by Compellent Technologies for \$12,113.00 as recommended by the Fiscal Officer. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

SERVICE

Calvin McKnight said that after comparing repair prices, he is recommending that we change our heating and air conditioning preventative maintenance contracts from Bruner to Quality Air for the Township Building and Fire Stations.

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Res. 149-08: Approve New Preventative Maintenance Contracts with Quality Air Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc. for Township Bldg. and Fire Stations 131, 133 & 134

Mr. Angelou moved to approve new preventative maintenance contracts with Quality Air Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc. for the Township Building and Fire Stations 131, 133 & 134 as quoted effective July 1, 2008 and recommended by Calvin McKnight. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Calvin McKnight said that last year Cyrus Concrete Construction gave us a quote for approximately \$8500 to repair the concrete at Fire Sta. 134. Due to deterioration, the drain now must be replaced increasing the cost to \$10,000.

Res. 150-08: Approve Revising the Total Cost for Concrete Repairs at Fire Station 134 by Cyrus Concrete Construction To \$10,000.

Mr. Angelou moved to approve revising the total cost for concrete repairs at Fire Sta. 134 by Cyrus Concrete Construction to a maximum of \$10,000 as recommended by Calvin McKnight. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Steve Blake gave the Trustees a report on the status of properties that need attention. He said he is working with Calvin McKnight on a few properties to cut the high weeds and grass, but the Service Department has an employee off right now and the cemeteries have kept them very busy. Everyone is doing the best they can. Mr. Blake said he is meeting with Miracit tomorrow and they may have some young workers available to help take care of some of these properties with high weeds and grass. The details will need to be worked out, but this may be an inexpensive way to service these properties. Miracit provides the supervision, insurance and equipment. Mrs. Stewart said that she has had numerous calls regarding properties that have needed attention for a long time. If the Service Department is too busy and it may take a while for the Miracit program to start, we should just hire out the work. She asked Steve Blake and Calvin McKnight to coordinate their efforts and get some of these problem properties cut and trash removed.

Mr. Blake gave the Trustees a copy of a brochure regarding his new R.A.T. (Remove All Trash) Program to take the place of the Township clean-ups that he will be passing out to residents.

FIRE

After discussion regarding the MECC dispatchers 2008 pay increase, the Trustees agreed to approve the proposed 3.75% increase as recommended by the Fire Chiefs comprising all of the MECC departments and was included in the MECC budget. It was pointed out that other Mifflin 40 hr. employees for whom the additional PERS pick-up is given as part of their pay increases received a 2.5% increase. Chief DeConnick pointed out that Mifflin shares the salary expenses with the other MECC entities.

Res. 151-08: Approve a 3.75% Pay Increase for Full-time MECC Dispatchers Effective June 15, 2008

Mr. Angelou moved to approve a 3.75% pay increase for Full-time MECC Dispatchers effective June 15, 2008 as recommended by the MECC Fire Chiefs and included in the 2008 MECC Budget. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Spanovich said the Board received the following requests for approval:

Res. 152-08: Approve Pro-Tech-Safety Study & Assessor Guidance Documents Proposal in the Amount of \$10,550.00

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve the Pro-Tech-Safety Study & Assessor Guidance Documents Proposal in the Amount of \$10,550.00 as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

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The request for the fire engine from Pierce under a State Contract for \$382,164.00 was discussed regarding financing and was put on hold for the July 7th Staff Meeting by the Trustees. Chief DeConnick said he is hoping to include this with our proposed capital improvements bonding program. Mrs. Stewart asked Chief DeConnick to see if Pierce will give us an extension on their price increase.

Res. 153-08: Approve Training Expenses for Lt. Yinger to Attend the Strategy & Tactics Conference in Chicago from August 13-26, 2008 for a Cost Not to Exceed \$2,185.00

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve training expenses for Lt. Yinger to attend the Strategy & Tactics Conference in Chicago from August 13-16, 2008 for a cost not to exceed \$2,185.00 as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 154-08: Approve Training Expenses for Firefighter Kenneth King to Attend the National Strength & Conditioning Association 2008 National Conference in Las Vegas from July 9 – 12, 2008 for a Cost Not to Exceed \$714.00

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve training expenses for Firefighter Kenneth King to attend the National Strength & Conditioning Association 2008 National Conference in Las Vegas from July 9 – 12, 2008 for a cost not to exceed \$714.00 as Firefighter King is paying for his lodging and travel as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Chief DeConnick received a “thank you” letter from the City of Whitehall commending all firefighters who assisted them at the fire that occurred on Beechcreek Road on June 1, 2008.

Res. 155-08: Approve Reimbursing Dispatcher Randall Hormann for Lodging and Meals While Attending Emergency Medical Dispatcher Training on February 24-27, 2008 in Springfield

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve reimbursing Dispatcher Randall Hormann for lodging and meals while attending the Emergency Medical Dispatcher Training on February 24 – 27, 2008 in Springfield as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Res. 156-08: Approve to Conditionally Hire K. Ahman, J. Bates, J. Herren, S. Koslow, R. Moore, R. Nichols, B. Reynolds, C. Searle & S. Stricklin as Part-time Firefighters Pending Final Background Checks and Medical-Physical Examinations and Removing Inactive Part-time Firefighters from Our Books

Mrs. Stewart moved for approval to conditionally hire Kevin Ahman, Jason Bates, Joe Herren, Steve Koslow, Robert Moore, Robert Nichols, Brandt Reynolds, Chris Searle and Scott Stricklin as Part-time Firefighters Pending Final Background Checks and Medical-Physical Examinations and Removing Inactive Part-time Firefighters from our books as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mr. Angelou seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Spanovich said the Board would like to have a list of inactive Part-time Firefighters and Dispatchers by our next Staff Meeting on July 7, 2008. He asked that this be added to the agenda along with an update on overtime.

Res. 157-08: Approve Mifflin Township & Affiliated Addendum to Current OneSource Agreement Contingent on Final Approval by Board After Recommended Changes are Made During Absence of Paul Adkins

Mrs. Stewart moved to approve the Mifflin Township & Affiliated Addendum to Current OneSource Agreement contingent on final approval by the Board after recommended changes are made during absence of Paul Adkins. Mr. Spanovich seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

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Chief DeConnick reported on the following:

1. The property at 471 North Hamilton Road is being reviewed for fire training. There will be no burning, only training.
2. Paul Adkins is doing very well after his surgery but is expected to be off another 10 weeks at this point.
3. There was a 2 alarm fire on Albert Ave. this past weekend and during the process of that fire, we had an issue with some of our 5" fire hose. It was defective resulting in almost stopping the water flow. Approximately 3400 ft. of suspected bad 5" hose was removed from service and will need to be replaced. Some hose was less than 4 years old and some was over 10 years old. A manufacturer was found that has the hose in stock and can readily ship it to us. We were told there is only a one year warranty on that hose but were not advised that this could happen. We contacted other fire departments about this and also contacted the County Prosecutor's Office. We are not sure the manufacturer will give us any credit for replacing the hose, but the bottom line is that we need an emergency purchase approval to replace about 3400 ft. of 5" hose for up to \$15,000.

Res. 158-08: Approve Emergency Purchase of 5" Fire Hose to Replace Defective Hose for up to \$15,000 from the 10-A-08 Account

Mr. Spanovich moved to approve an emergency purchase of 5" fire hose to replace defective hose for up to \$15,000 from the 10-A-8 Account as recommended by Chief DeConnick. Mrs. Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

VISITOR COMMENTS

The resident of 3793 Aberdeen Ave. said her home has been without water since June 7th. She said she has spent several hundred dollars to a well man and others and still doesn't have any water. Her holding tanks have gone dry and the well is full of dirt. She suggested the people of Leonard Park take a sample of what water they have to the Health Department so they can see what they are dealing with. The water from most wells is not safe for drinking, cooking, washing clothes, etc.

Mrs. Stewart said the Trustees are aware of the problem and have contacted the County and have the attention of one of the Commissioners. A committee has been formed to see if the County can help us work to convince the City of Columbus to let the residents of Leonard Park tie into their system. The whole problem is with the City. Calvin McKnight said he knows of someone who will fill up tanks, but in most cases, you can only get the water out with a garden hose. Mr. Angelou said we have been trying to get water for this area for years, but Columbus will not give them water without annexation. Nancy White said we have not received a response from the Commissioners for approval to let Jim Schimmer and Tom Shockley to work with us on that committee. Mr. Spanovich suggested we send another aggressive letter to them.

Mary Coffmon who lives on Northglen Drive said she is very happy with the work that Code Enforcement Officer Steve Blake is doing in the Northglen subdivision. She said she has noticed a big difference in the conditions of homes on her street.

Robert Bradley of 2299 Mecca Road said he sent a letter requesting some public records. The Fiscal Officer said she has not had the time to gather the information but will send it to him as soon as she can. He said he is concerned about the conditions of our roads and noted from the minutes that all our Road Levies have not passed. He suggested we apply for Issue II or CDBG funds. Calvin McKnight said we have tried but have not been successful or had the money for matching funds. Mr. Bradley stated he has had 25 years experience in submitting applications and will be happy to work with us and also work with us on passing a Road Levy.

Kenneth Bing of Ferris Road said he is letting the Savko Company who is doing a water line nearby dump dirt on his property making a mound. He said he has had someone from the EPO check it out and they had no problem with it. Mr. Bing said that Steve Blake said there

