

Minutes of the Board of Licking Township Trustees, Regular Meeting, held at the Fire Co. Station 3, Jacksontown, OH at 7:00pm on October 20, 2008.

Mr. Hart called the meeting to order with the following members present: Joseph Hart, David Miller and Joseph Cooper. Jill Linn was absent.

Others present: Bill Ours, Joseph Walker, Mike Wilson, Charles Prince, Robert Snedden Sr, Dave Lehman, Rob Mills and Steve Patterson.

A moment of silence was observed in honor of James Cormican, a long time Trustee, who passed away.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the August 4, 2008 meeting were read, approved and signed by the Trustees.

Minutes of the August 18, 2008 meeting were read, corrected and signed by the Trustees.

Financial reports were given to the Trustees.

Mr. Hart moved the adoption of the resolution accepting the amount and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor in the amount of \$585,929.67. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Hart, yes; Miller, yes; Cooper, yes.

The resolution is on file with the Fiscal Officer.

Mr. Cooper made a motion to approve the list of bills totaling \$17,840.69. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Hart, yes; Miller, yes; Cooper, yes.

There are funds on hand or in the process of collection to

pay the attached listed bills. \_\_\_\_\_, Fiscal

Officer. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Received tax delinquent list.
2. Received letter from Ron Jones

Mike Wilson gave the Eire Co. report. Mike mentioned that tires are needed on medic 603. Mr. Hart said that it was already approved. He thanked Larry Mitchell for repairing the phone generator. Mike asked to send Billy Willis to the 84 hour transition fire class with a cost of \$500 - \$600.

Mr. Cooper made a motion to spend the money to send Billy Willis to fire class. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Hart, yes; Miller, yes; Cooper, yes.

Mike mentioned that there will be informational meetings on October 22nd and October 29th to discuss the fire levy.

Mike Briggs submitted an application for Joshua Phillips to join the Fire Co.

Mr. Hart made a motion to approve the application for Joshua Phillips. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Hart, yes; Miller, yes; Cooper, yes.

Joe Walker turned in 2 permits totaling \$450.00. The permits were for two new houses, one on Maple Avenue and one on Wilshire Drive. Mr. Walker said that he has not been able to find the resident on St. Rt. 13.

Steve Patterson mentioned that they are waiting on one more load of salt and two loads of cinders. He mentioned that tires are needed for the trucks. Mr. Miller said that we are waiting on 50 tons of berm material. Mr. Miller mentioned that he received an estimate on 10 tires for a cost of \$1182.90.

Mr. Miller made a motion to purchase 10 new tires for truck #1 and truck #4 at a cost of \$1200. Mr. Cooper seconded the motion. Roll call: Hart, yes; Miller, yes; Cooper, yes.

Steve asked that the Trustees write a letter to Harrison Township for the use of their berm box. Mr. Miller will take care of it. Mr. Hart said that if Mr. Miller writes the letter he will type it.

Mr. Miller had a meeting with FEMA and turned in the hours that Steve and Rob had during the wind storm.

Mr. Miller said that he has heard nothing from Tim Lollo regarding Robert Sneddens' property.

A discussion took place regarding the Public Hearing for a zoning text amendment to allow parking in a residential area as a conditional use. The Advocate did not publishing the notice and Mr. Hart mentioned that we should also put a notice in The Beacon as a check and balance. Mr. Hart mentioned that there was no letter from the Licking Township Zoning Commission to the Licking Township Trustees and it needs to be produced and be part of the file.

Mr. Cooper made a motion, due to the lack of public notification, that the public hearing will be cancelled. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Hart, yes; Cooper, yes; Miller, yes.

A discussion took place regarding the proposed zoning text amendment and the process. Mr. Hart mentioned that there were no specific recommendations from the Licking County Planning Commission. Mr. Hart listened to the tape from the Licking Township Zoning Commission meeting and he did not feel that there was any effort to make an attempt to guide the Board of Trustees in the direction that was recommended by the Planning Commission. Mr. Hart prepared the exact document that he presented originally and still believes, as an individual trustee, that a property owner in a residential area should have the ability to be heard as to why they deserve to have a hearing on the use of their property. Mr. Cooper will explain the thoughts of Mr. Hart at the next Zoning Commission meeting.

Dave Lehman asked if there will be a public hearing on the proposed zoning text amendment regarding parking in the future. Mr. Hart explained the process.

In regards to H.B. 50, Mr. Cooper would like to recommend that we proceed with evaluating on whether or not the trustees want to follow the process for H.B. 50. He would also like to have open public dialogue on the topic. Mr. Hart said that he is not in favor of proceeding with H.B. 50 because of the amount of time and the amount of follow up that is required. Mr. Hart also mentioned that the decision is up to the Board and he is not in favor of holding a public hearing. Mr. Cooper said that the public hearing would offer awareness to the township residents of their responsibility and not help the Trustees make their decision. Mr. Miller agreed with both Mr. Hart and Mr. Cooper. Mr. Miller mentioned that we should try one and see if it works. The issue will be tabled until the next meeting.

Mr. Cooper went over the information on the website. The Trustees made the following updates: the annexation will be removed, prior years will be archived, businesses in the township will be removed, lost and found will be removed, a change to the contact trustee for the roads will be made, Mr. Harts email will be added to the township feedback, township hall restoration will be archived in 2002, job openings will be updated for an alternate on the Zoning Appeals Board and the Zoning Commission, Abraham Lincoln will be archived in 2002, the West Nile information will be removed, meeting cancellations should be updated as soon as possible. Mr. Hart mentioned that the website needs to include the updated minutes and he expressed his frustration that the minutes are not caught up. Mr. Cooper mentioned other items that will be discussed at the next meeting.

Mr. Miller mentioned that political signs are not removed by the township.

Mr. Miller mentioned that on October 16th there was a Licking County Association meeting and that they discussed the building codes which are state mandated. Ken Oswalt will be working on township group workshops.

Mr. Hart mentioned he received a phone call from Bob Applebee, with Ohio OSHA, who will do a walk through of our facilities and give us a report of recommendations. Mr. Hart thought he could walk through the township hall, garage and storage area but not the fire station since they have their own inspections and regulations. Mr. Miller thought that it was a good idea. After a discussion, the trustees decided to decline the walk through.

Mr. Cooper would like to consider getting business cards.

Mr. Hart mentioned having township shirts done.

Mr. Cooper made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:37pm. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Roll call: Hart, yes; Miller, yes; Cooper, yes.