

PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

23 MAPLE DRIVE REGULAR MEETING/SEPTEMBER 27, 2006

The regular meeting of the Prairie Township Board of Trustees was called to order by the Chairperson Mr. Stormont, with Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Schlosser and Ms. Montag present. Also attending were: Chief Feustel, Mr. Hatmaker, Ms. Swisher and Mr. McAninch. (See attached list).

Mr. Stormont asked for a moment of silence and recognition of Sgt. Adam Knox, U.S. Army. Sgt Knox died on Sunday, September 17th in Baghdad, Iraq of injuries suffered in combat. He was a 2003 graduate of Westland High School.

Mr. Stormont led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board approve the minutes as written for the special meeting September 6, 2006 and the regular meeting of September 13, 2006. Vote; Aye

Deputy Weiner and Corporal Eing reported on a standard traffic stop, they patted him down found a loaded gun and drugs. There continues to be vehicles broken into, the vehicles are usually unlocked. They have been working warrants and have had a few successes. There was a report on Lombard and Frost for speeders and running the stop sign. They will continue to patrol that area.

A resident asked for an update on 6481 Tamara Ave. Deputy Weiner responded he was not aware the property was vacant until he was called there.

Ms. Pam Williams asked for more patrolling in Galloway. Deputy Weiner responded they would work on that.

The Fiscal Officer presented the following items:

1. Ms. Montag requested the Board authorize Ms. Montag to sign the National City Sweep Agreement and the Master Treasury Management Services Agreement.

Mr. Stormont moved, Mr. Kennedy seconded the Board authorize Ms. Montag to sign the National City Sweep Agreement and the Master Treasury Management Services Agreement. Vote; Aye.

2. Ms. Montag requested the Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement for Deposit of Public Funds.

Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement for Deposit of Public Funds. Vote; Aye.

Mr. Stormont moved, Mr. Kennedy seconded the Board approve the following supplemental appropriations. Vote; Aye.

\$1,000.00 from 1000-110-599-0000 to 1000-120-190-0000.
\$5,000.00 from 2281-760-740-0000 to 2281-230-599-0000.

After the Trustees reviewed the pending warrant list, Mr. Stormont moved, Mr. Kennedy seconded the Board approve the payment of the ADP payroll in the amount of \$102,155.95 and approve payment of the following bills. Vote; Aye. (See pending warrant list).

Ms. Schlosser asked about the Township sign. Mr. Hatmaker responded he is working with an architect for a site plan.

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Chief Feustel addressed the Board with the following Fire Department matters:

1. Chief Feustel requested the Board approve \$7,500.00 for repairs to Medic 244 vehicle.

Mr. Stormont moved, Mr. Kennedy seconded the Board approve \$7,500.00 for repairs to Medic 244 vehicle. Vote; Aye.

A residents asked specifically what needed repaired on the medic. Chief Feustel responded the injectors, injector pump, tires, seat covers and exhaust leak and some other small items.

2. Chief Feustel requested the Board approve Berkshire Bros. to repair the rear bay drain work and concrete work for \$14,920.00 at 123 Inah Avenue.

Mr. Stormont moved, Mr. Kennedy seconded the Board approve Berkshire Bros. to repair the rear bay drain work and concrete work for \$14,920.00 at 123 Inah Avenue. Vote; Aye.

Mr. Tracy Hatmaker, Administrator, addressed the Board with the following Administrative matters:

1. Mr. Hatmaker updated the Board on the weed and nuisance cases. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board to declare 264 Woodlawn and 8493 Silverbell Avenue nuisance properties.

Mr. Kennedy spoke with the mortgage company at 8493 Silverbell Avenue and they stated they would have it cleaned up by October 2, 2006. Mr. Kennedy stated 264 Woodlawn Avenue property owner has started to clean up.

Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board will reassess 264 Woodlawn Avenue at the next Trustee Meeting on October 11, 2006 and declare 8493 Silverbell Avenue a nuisance after October 3, 2006.

2. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board set a public hearing on October 11, 2006 to declare 6611 Hall Road an unsafe structure.
3. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board authorize Mr. Hatmaker to sign the IT contract with Infolink Technologies.

Mr. Kennedy stated at the beginning of the year Affiliated Resources had a \$15,000.00 budget and the first two months of the year the township was billed \$8,000.00 for services leaving \$7,000.00 for the balance of the year. Mr. Kennedy stated Infolink seemed the most qualified and flexible and quoted a \$750.00 a month with sixteen hours of service which can be banked and carried over if not used. He stated that he did not know anyone who was affiliated with this company.

Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board authorize Mr. Hatmaker to sign the IT contract with Infolink Technologies. Vote; Aye.

4. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board endorse the Memorandum of Understanding on the Big Darby Accord plan with the Zoning Commission's recommendations.

Mr. Morrison asked where the kids will go to school SouthWestern or Hilliard. Mr. Hatmaker responded both districts.

A resident asked with an increase of development what plans for increase of police protection. Mr. Hatmaker responded it will be up to the Board of Trustees. And there are plans to provide revenue to expand services such as police, fire and other

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basic government services.

Mr. Stormont moved, Mr. Kennedy seconded the Board endorse the Memorandum of Understanding on the Big Darby Accord plan with the Zoning Commission's recommendations. A roll call resulted as follows: Ms. Schlosser; Aye, Mr. Kennedy; Aye, Mr. Stormont; Aye,

Mr. Kennedy stated without the accord the City of Columbus would continue to annex property from the township. With this plan it leaves the township area to the township for the township to make the decisions and to allow the residents to give input in the decisions made. The City can provide water to the whole county with limited sewer service. With this option it may help the residents in Lake Darby and WestPoint.

Ms. Stalter stated if a property owner requests to annex to the City of Columbus the City would turn it down.

Mr. Morrison thanked everyone for their countless hours they spent on The Big Darby Accord.

Mr. Lee Shoaf asked when they plan on starting development. Mr. Hatmaker responded the county needs to adopt the plan then they can proceed.

Mr. Glen Hymer asked about the quality of development in the Accord. Mr. Hatmaker responded all jurisdictions would like to see high quality of design.

Mr. Lee Shoaf asked if developers would financially support new school for the development. Mr. Hatmaker responded new taxes would only be on the new development property owners.

5. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board approve Efficient Electric proposals for WestPoint Phase II Section II for 19 light conduits for \$3,487.00 and Young Estates for 17 light conduits for \$3,495.00 for the lighting districts.

Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board approve Efficient Electric proposals for WestPoint Phase II Section II for 19 light conduits for \$3,487.00 and Young Estates for 17 light conduits for \$3,495.00 for the lighting districts. Vote; Aye.

6. Mr. Hatmaker introduced Mr. Robin Comeans, Senior Center Director to give an update on the Senior Center. Mr. Comeans stated free exercise classes to everyone; you do not have to be a member to participate, line dancing, bingo, cards, senior bowling league, craft classes. There were 1,856 visitors to the center in September. Upcoming events, Fall Flea Fantasia on September 30th and October 1st, they are selling coney's. The Craft Bazaar and Bake Sale is November 11th. On January 13, 2007 is a Chili Supper. They are hosting candidate's night on October 12, 2006 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. On October 18th from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. they will hold community office hours with representatives from Ms. Debra Pryce's office. In October through December they are partnering with Etna Insurance to assist with the Medicare part B program. Future plans are to partner with legal aid to assist the seniors. They are working with H&R Block to assist seniors with their taxes.

Ms. Pam Williams asked about the membership list and questioned the actual number of members and what plans to retain their members. Mr. Comeans responded they are in transition with the membership right now and will have an updated list within the next week. She feels she is intentionally being blocked of the correct information.

Ms. Schlosser asked what she feels is being intentionally blocked. Ms. Williams responded a list of the members at the senior center. She asked for addresses and was

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told they didn't want to provide them. She finds that interesting with a levy on the ballot they would not provide the information. She would like the percentage geographically in the township. She would also like to know the percentage of the members that own their own homes. Ms. Schlosser responded they did an opinion from the law director as to whether or not they can release the names, addresses and phone numbers of private citizens and they are not permitted to so.

Mr. Glen Hymer stated it is none of her business if he owns his home or not.

Ms. Schlosser instructed Mr. Hatmaker to contact the law director and find out if we can provide her the percent geographically by area of the membership base and how many of that percentage own their own home.

Mr. Stormont asked Mr. Comeans to have an updated list by next meeting.

Mr. Gene Noel stated regardless of the law directors opinion he would like to know before hand who is requesting the information. He does not want his name, address or phone number given out to anyone. There are other members who feel the same way.

Ms. Schlosser assured everyone they are not permitted to give the information out and will not do it.

Mr. Robin Comeans stated on the application all information is confidential.

Ms. Judy Stalter stated nothing on the application stated if you owned your home or not. Ms. Stalter asked why she needed that information. Ms. Williams stated she would like the information to place her vote.

Old Business:

Ms. Schlosser announced she received a letter from Ohio American Water updating the Lake Darby customers what activities they have taken to improve the water quality in the area. They have given the acceptable water hardness.

New Business:

Public Comment:

Mr. Gene Jones asked if Giant Eagle was going in on Broad Street or not. Ms. Swisher responded they have not signed a contract with Nationwide yet.

Announcements:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Chairperson

Fiscal Officer