

PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

23 MAPLE DRIVE

REGULAR MEETING/MAY 9, 2007

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

Mr. Kennedy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Elie Sabbagh opened bids for the Road Department Maintenance Building as follows:

Robertson Construction Services Inc.	\$287,700.00
J&M Bennett Company	\$314,000.00
2K General Inc.	\$309,000.00

Mr. Sabbagh stated the engineers estimate was \$305,000.00. Mr. Sabbagh will review all bids and make a recommendation at the next trustee meeting.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board approve the minutes as written for the regular meeting of April 25, 2007. Vote; Aye

Deputy Weiner and Lieutenant Croston reported to the Board several businesses on Broad Street have been burglarized, some have been burglarized multiple times. Four houses on Gladys have been broken into. There has been an increase in accidents and domestic calls.

Mr. Kennedy asked for input from the Deputy on how the noise ordinance would work and how would they enforce it. Deputy Weiner responded right now if he receives a noise complaint all he can do is talk with the resident. If the ordinance would get passed it gives them a tool to use as an option to cite repeat offenders. Deputy Weiner stated in a months time he may take 10-15 noise complaints.

Mr. Russ Pitts asked if they were going to enforce this like the curfew resolution. He stated the Sheriff's Department doesn't always show up for a curfew complaint. Deputy Weiner responded he would need details, they should show up for every call they receive.

A resident asked if they call and complain but by the time they arrive there is no noise what happens then. Deputy Weiner responded he probably would not write a citation unless he heard noise but would talk to them.

A resident asked if car is driving down the street can they write a ticket for noise. Mr. Kennedy stated if the Sheriff is within 100 feet they can issue a citation.

A resident asked what about kids playing basketball in street and cars parked in street and his neighbor has several dogs that bark at night.

Ms. Pam Williams asked if they are still running speed radar in Galloway. Deputy Weiner responded they have been busy but will continue to do so. Mr. Kennedy stated he has received complaints about speeders on Darby Creek Dr.

The Fiscal Officer presented the following items:

After the Trustees reviewed the pending warrant list, Mr. Kennedy moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board approve the payment of the ADP payroll in the amount of \$106,051.60 and approve payment of the following bills. Vote; Aye. (See pending warrant list).

The Fiscal Officer presented to the Board a liquor transfer for Hook SuperX LLC DBA CVS Pharmacy at 4801 West Broad Street. No hearing was requested.

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The Fiscal Officer updated the Board on New Rome; the final motion has been filed for distributing assets of the dissolved village.

Ms. Connie Swisher, Zoning Inspector, addressed the Board with the following Zoning Department matters:

1. Ms. Swisher requested the Board adopt RESOLUTION ADOPTING A REVISED ZONING FEE SCHEDULE.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board adopt RESOLUTION ADOPTING A REVISED ZONING FEE SCHEDULE. A roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Stormont; Aye, Ms. Schlosser; Aye, Mr. Kennedy; Aye.

2. Ms. Swisher updated the Board at the BZA meeting the Giant Eagle Get Go signage was approved and a variance approved for a new lot.

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

1. Chief Feustel updated the Board on flushing hydrants in Prairie Township and will be completed by May 27, 2007.
2. Chief Feustel requested the Board adopt RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR AND USE A COMMERCIAL BANK CREDIT CARD.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board adopt RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR AND USE A COMMERCIAL BANK CREDIT CARD. A roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Stormont; Aye, Ms. Schlosser; Aye, Mr. Kennedy; Aye.

3. Chief Feustel requested the Board to approve up to \$4,000.00 for the purchase of two sets of fire gear from Fire Safety Services.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board to approve up to \$4,000.00 for the purchase of two sets of fire gear from Fire Safety Services. Vote; Aye.

4. Chief Feustel updated the Board they participated in the Prom Promise at Westland High School over 500 students observed a DUI accident with Med-Flight.

A resident asked when the fish fry is going to be. Chief Feustel responded it is June 29th and 30th, 2007.

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

1. Mr. Hatmaker reviewed the comments for the noise and barking dog resolutions.

Mr. Kennedy requested Mr. Hatmaker to incorporate the comments and post the revised resolutions on the website.

Jamie Mueller stated he has major concerns discharging firearms in urban areas. Mr. Kennedy responded he didn't feel it was an issue. There is already state law that covers discharging firearms in residential areas. A discussion followed.

A resident asked why not cover noise as a whole and not specific to firearms etc.. Mr. Kennedy stated that is what they are trying to accomplish to cover the entire township as a whole and the purpose of these meetings to get input from residents.

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Ms. Pam Williams asked if this was going to be complaint driven and if no one complains than it is a non issue. Mr. Kennedy responded yes.

A resident stated they just need something that the law enforcement agency can enforce. Mr. Kennedy agreed.

A resident asked if there could be a time imposed in resolutions as well as the 100 foot restriction. Mr. Kennedy responded it would be up to the Sheriff's Department. discretion. He received a noise complaint on Sunday at 2:00 in the afternoon.

Mr. Neil Distlehorst stated he would like to see division d to read "any property line" instead of "100 feet" from the source. A discussion followed.

Mr. Kennedy asked the residents their input on block parties, church functions or other out door activity with Board approval is that a good or bad idea. With Board approval most thought it was a good idea.

Mr. Kennedy stated he would like to see the gun fire clause out, that it would not affect the resolution one way or the other. Mr. Kennedy would like the comments to be incorporated into the resolution adding with Board approval allowing block parties etc. and if the prosecuting attorney has reviewed the changes they will vote on the resolutions at next meeting.

2. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board to approve bereavement leave to a township employee for the date of May 3, 4 and 7, 2007.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board to approve bereavement leave to a township employee for the date of May 3, 4 and 7, 2007. Vote; Aye.

3. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board approve the assignment of the lease for the cell tower site dated August 2006, with revisions as recommended by the prosecuting attorney's office, to Mobilitie, LLE and to authorize the chairman to sign the transfer and initial where language has been stricken from the second paragraph on behalf of the Board.

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4. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board to approve the Big Darby Accord Town Center Master Plan Consultant Selection Process Participation Agreement and to authorize the chairman to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board to approve the Big Darby Accord Town Center Master Plan Consultant Selection Process Participation Agreement and to authorize the chairman to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board. Vote; Aye.

5. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board authorize the Board and the Township Fiscal Officer to execute a bond in the amount of \$310,000.00, as well as other related documents, in order to complete the closing of the transaction.

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6. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board authorize the chairman to sign a letter requesting the Franklin County Budget Commission to approve new line items for bond revenue, bond principle and bond interest in the Road and Bridge Fund, as well as to increase appropriations in the buildings line item by \$310,000.00.

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Mr. Kennedy asked for an update on the light districts. Mr. Hatmaker responded he spoke with Vickie Clifford with AEP, AEP has completed right-of-way acquisitions in Young Estates and anticipates installation in three to six weeks. AEP will be in WestPoint next week staking for light placement and working on right-of-way acquisitions also. A discussion followed.

Old Business:

Ms. Schlosser stated she spoke with Mr. Nick Soulas regarding the zoning letters complaints. He apologized for them falling through the cracks and following up on why procedures were not followed.

New Business:

Mr. Hatmaker requested approval for a street closure on 5136 Maple Valley Drive on May 12, 2007 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The Board approved.

Public Comment:

Mr. Russ Pitts stated he feels the Board is taking the gun clause issue too lightly. Last year there was a murder in Village Park and they should think more seriously about the clause.

Announcements:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Chairperson

Fiscal Officer