

PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

23 MAPLE DRIVE

REGULAR MEETING/MAY 23, 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: Mr. Hatmaker, Ms. Swisher and Mr. McAninch. (See attached list).

Mr. Kennedy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board approve the minutes as written for the regular meeting of May 9, 2007. Vote; Aye

Deputy Weiner reported to the Board the monthly statistics. 468 dispatch runs, 586 pick-up runs, 37 domestic runs, 14 gun runs, 87 reports taken, 192 business checks, 8 felony arrests, 49 misdemeanor arrests, 6 felony warrant arrests, 26 misdemeanor warrant arrests, 37 prisoners conveyed, 17 crash investigations. Deputy Weiner reported an increase in burglaries and vehicle break-ins.

A resident asked about the incident at Darby Woods School. Deputy Weiner responded there was an arrest made, that is all he knew.

A resident asked about vehicles broken into on Hubbard Road. Deputy Weiner responded they are still investigating that.

Mr. Russ Pitts asked what a gun run is. Deputy Weiner responded any kind of a run that they are called on that a weapon was noticed.

Mr. Kennedy asked if any of the gun runs was because of the noise the firearm made. Deputy Weiner responded no, it is because someone is shooting a gun not the noise of the gun.

A resident asked how many barking dog complaints to they get. Deputy Weiner responded at least half of the noise complaints are because of barking dogs.

Ms. Schlosser asked about enforcement of discharging a gun in an area that is not to be discharged. Deputy Weiner stated he would hat to look into that further.

The Fiscal Officer presented the following items:

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

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 \$102,231.40 and approve payment of the following bills. Vote; Aye. (See pending warrant list).

Mr. Dave McAninch, Road Superintendent, addressed the Board with the following Road Department matters:

1. Mr. McAninch requested the Board approve him to issue an excavation permit to Buckeye Pipeline for the purpose of repairing a defect in their petroleum pipeline under Bolingbrook Drive.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board approve him to issue an excavation permit to Buckeye Pipeline for the purpose of repairing a defect in their petroleum pipeline under Bolingbrook Drive. Vote; Aye.

Mr. Mike Ison requested a catch basin drainage drawing in Little Farms at his mother's address.

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

1. Ms. Swisher requested the Board to appoint Ms. Hulda Moffitt to the Prairie Township Zoning Commission to fill the seat left vacant by Bruce Whyte for the term ending December 31, 2007.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board to appoint Ms. Hulda Moffitt to the Prairie Township Zoning Commission to fill the seat left vacant by Bruce Whyte for the term ending December 31, 2007. Vote; Aye.

2. Ms. Swisher updated the Board on the Zoning Commission meeting. Representatives from Franklin County gave a brief presentation on a Riparian Buffer District they are implementing to their code and recommended that the zoning commission do something similar.
3. Ms. Swisher updated the Board on Spring Clean-up. They collected 5.9 ton of tires, 22.76 ton of trash for a total cost of \$1,698.00.

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

1. Mr. Hatmaker requested that the Prairie Township Board of Trustees find the conditions at 4930 West Broad Street, 717 Cordelia, 509 Lennox Avenue, 200 North Murray Hill Road, 226 North Murray Hill Road, 8817 Canoe Drive, to be a nuisance and that the Board hereby directs staff to abate said nuisances at the expense of the property owners.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Mr. Stormont seconded that the Prairie Township Board of Trustees find the conditions at 4930 West Broad Street, 717 Cordelia, 509 Lennox Avenue, 200 North Murray Hill Road, 226 North Murray Hill Road, 8817 Canoe Drive, to be a nuisance and that the Board hereby directs staff to abate said nuisances at the expense of the property owners. Vote; Aye.

2. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board direct R.D. Zande and Associates to prepare a revised bid package for the Maintenance Building at 6725 Alkire Road and to advertise in the Daily Reporter on May 31, 2007 and June 7, 2007 that bids will be accepted until 2:00 P.M. on June 15, 2007 and opened at 2:30 p.m. on that same date.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board direct R.D. Zande and Associates to prepare a revised bid package for the Maintenance Building at 6725 Alkire Road and to advertise in the Daily Reporter on May 31, 2007 and June 7, 2007 that bids will be accepted until 2:00 P.M. on June 15, 2007 and opened at 2:30 p.m. on that same date. Vote; Aye.

3. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board enter into an agreement with Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield for medical and hospitalization insurance under their 'Option 33' plan as proposed by Ohio Insurance Services for a monthly cost of approximately \$44,412.92, based upon the current employee census. I further move that the chairman of the Board of Trustees be authorized to execute any documents, as required, in order to complete the subject agreement. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board enter into an agreement with the Ohio Public Entity Consortium to administer the township's health reimbursement account for a monthly cost of \$5.00 per employee and that the chairman of the Board be authorized to execute any documents, as required, in order to complete the subject agreement.

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Ms. Schlosser moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board enter into an agreement with Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield for medical and hospitalization insurance under their "Option 33' plan as proposed by Ohio Insurance Services for a monthly cost of approximately \$44,412.92, based upon the current employee census. I further move that the chairman of the Board of Trustees be authorized to execute any documents, as required, in order to complete the subject agreement. Vote; Aye.

Ms. Schlosser moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board enter into an agreement with the Ohio Public Entity Consortium to administer the township's health reimbursement account for a monthly cost of \$5.00 per employee and that the chairman of the Board be authorized to execute any documents, as required, in order to complete the subject agreement. Vote; Aye.

4. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board approve the transfer of \$15,977.68 from General Fund line item 1000-910-910-0000 to Palmetto Road Improvement Project line item 4405-931-0000.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board approve the transfer of \$15,977.68 from General Fund line item 1000-910-910-0000 to Palmetto Road Improvement Project line item 4405-931-0000. Vote; Aye.

5. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board to approve changing the July 4th meeting to Monday July 2, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board to approve changing the July 4th meeting to Monday July 2, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. Vote; Aye.

Mr. McAninch announced Memorial Day Services at Galloway Cemetery at 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. at Alton Cemetery.

6. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board approve the amended 2006 and 2007 snow and ice removal with the City of Columbus to \$7,842.91 and authorize the chair to sign.

Ms. Schlosser moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board approve the amended 2006 and 2007 snow and ice removal with the City of Columbus to \$7,842.91 and authorize the chair to sign. Vote; Aye.

7. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board to reject the previous Road Department bids.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board to reject the previous Road Department bids. Vote; Aye.

8. Mr. Hatmaker requested the Board adopt A RESOLUTION TO REGULATE NOISE WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY OF PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP PURSUANT TO OHIO REVESED CODE SECTION 505.172.

Mr. Kennedy gave an overview of the noise resolution. Mr. Kennedy stated if the gun issue becomes a problem the Board will revisit the issue. Mr. Kennedy gave an overview of the barking dog resolution and the process of what should happen.

A resident asked what if your neighbor does not like you and your dogs and they call about your dogs. Mr. Kennedy responded it will be up to the Deputy's discretion whether or not if there is a problem.

Ms. Schlosser stated the purpose of the resolutions are to give the Sheriff's Department an extra tool to resolve noise issues.

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Mr. Kennedy stated the resolutions have been modeled after similar resolutions in Delaware County and they have not cited any resident yet.

A resident stated his grandchildren are in the Westland Band and on occasion they practice in their back yard and if this is going to be a problem. Ms. Schlosser stated it will be to the discretion of the Deputy.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Mr. Stormont seconded the Board adopt A RESOLUTION TO REGULATE NOISE WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY OF PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP PURSUANT TO OHIO REVESED CODE SECTION 505.172. A roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Stormont; Aye, Ms. Schlosser; Aye, Mr. Kennedy; Aye.

Mr. Kennedy moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded the Board adopt RESOLUTION PROHIBITING THE KEEPING OR HARBORING OF BARKING OR HOWLING DOGS. A roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Stormont; Aye, Ms. Schlosser; Aye, Mr. Kennedy; Aye.

Old Business:

New Business:

Public Comment:

Announcements:

Mr. Hatmaker announced the West Broad Street Corridor has a release, and will be contacting residents and business owners in the corridor to discuss their issues.

Ms. Lani Cunningham announced the Senior Center is having open house on June 2, 2007 from 2-4 p.m.

Mr. Glen Hymer asked if Mayor Coleman is not re-elected is the Darby Accord still going to be followed in regards to annexation. Mr. Hatmaker responded they are taking steps to make sure there are contracts involved for the protection of annexation and annexation agreements.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Chairperson

Fiscal Officer