

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



PRAIRIE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JUNE 3, 2009 – SPECIAL MEETING
6:00 P.M.

23 MAPLE DRIVE
COLUMBUS, OHIO 43228

This special meeting of the Prairie Township Board of Trustees, which was posted in three places in the township, was called to order on June 3, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. by the Chairman, Mr. Stormont, with Mr. Kennedy and Ms. Schlosser present. Also in attendance were Mr. Hatmaker, Township Administrator, Mr. Dan Hoying and Mr. Craig Cawrse.

In the absence of Dan McCardle, Fiscal Officer, Mr. Stormont moved, Ms. Schlosser seconded, the Board appoint Tracy Hatmaker as Clerk Pro Tem.

Roll call vote resulted as follows: Ms. Schlosser, aye; Mr. Kennedy, aye; Mr. Stormont; aye.

West Broad Street Streetscape Project:

Mr. Hoying of LJB Consultants and Mr. Craig Cawrse of Cawrse & Associates appeared before the Board to discuss design issues related to the West Broad Street Streetscape Project.

Mr. Hoying opened the meeting with a brief description of the project background:

- a. \$1.88 million in funding has been awarded to Prairie Township through MORPC for streetscape enhancements along the West Broad Street Corridor. The items included in the funding application were based on the City of Columbus Department of Development Planning Division August 2007 Plan. The streetscape project will be constructed with the ODOT FRA-40-4.69 project, scheduled for construction in the 4th quarter of 2013 and 2014. Copies of the anticipated design schedule were attached to the agenda and are attached here for reference.

Cawrse & Associates described the current programming plan for the corridor and presented several options for plant species, street furniture, tree grates, and bollards. The trustees offered several comments and suggestions on the items presented:

- a. Cawrse & Associates noted that honey locust and sycamore trees were doing well along the corridor. The tree spacing will likely be modified from the equal spacing that is shown on the Columbus plan to clusters. The township does not want to use crab apple trees or other trees that drop fruit.
- b. The township would like to use benches that have a center arm rail.
- c. The township would like to investigate the use of the township logo on street furniture and would like to investigate a signage package for the corridor. The township will provide a .pdf of the township logo.
- d. Light fixtures within the township are provided and maintained by AEP. LJB will contact AEP to determine available fixtures.
- e. The historic nature of the National Road (U.S. Route 40) was discussed and is a theme that could be used throughout the corridor. Cawrse & Associates will investigate the use of mile markers to incorporate this theme.
- f. The township chose hunter green, or other green darker than that used by Franklin County, as the color for the painted streetscape elements. Cawrse & Associates will provide color samples.
- g. LJB will discuss the use of stamped pavement crosswalks with ODOT.
- h. LJB will determine if bollards near the curb ramps will be permitted by ODOT.

A preliminary schematic plan will be presented to the township in another design work session prior to the July 15, 2009 trustees' meeting.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

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Public Comments:

None

Announcements: None

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk Pro Tem