

Minutes of Regular Meeting January 25, 2006

Present: Trustees James Havens, Lyle King, and Wes Sargent, Fiscal Officer Kennedy

Guests: Frank Annarino
Don Andrews, 197 Louise Dr, G
Ken Karst, 2513&2561 James Rd, G
Vonda Welch, 1275 Bluejack Ln, Heath
Joe Giles, 312 Gregory Dr, Newark

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Trustee Sargent and a second by Trustee Havens, by a unanimous affirmative vote the minutes of the December 26, 2005 and January 11, 2006 meetings were approved as previously presented.

Joe Giles and Vonda Welch, from the Golf Range, were present to discuss operations at the range. They indicated they are in the process of mounting several modular structures on piers to elevate them out of the flood plain. They plan to use the buildings for storage and club repairing. A deck is to be constructed on the north side with heaters in order to permit winter time driving operations. They indicated they have had some problems with vandalism and would like to work with the Trustees to install a gate at River Road. F.O. Kennedy indicated that there had been discussions with Dick Stevens who was the original owner about a gate to close off the entire area at night. As the township park could be closed when the golf range and mini-golf might be open it was decided that the present gate across the lane to the park should remain in place. The Trustees agreed that they would share in the cost of a gate and that the township employees would install it. The gate will need to have access for the township, the GRC and the power company.

There was further discussion about the operation of the driving range and the mutual desire of the driving range owners and the GRC to swap less than 1 acre of property in a corner with property near the east side of the mini-golf. The owners are to stake out an area and after agreement with the GRC the Trustees will ask the County Engineer to survey the areas and prepare legal descriptions for the parcels. F.O. Kennedy will inquire of the County Prosecutor about the legal requirements for swapping the property.

Ken Karst was present to express several concerns about the Rockford Homes residential development project going on behind his property. 1) He is very concerned about all of the big construction equipment and trucks using James Road for access to the development. He thinks because they have paved the entranceway from River Road they are requiring the contractors, equipment and suppliers to enter from James Road. The trucks coming from the east have a particularly difficult time negotiating the hill leading toward the entrance. He expressed his concerns to the construction manager and was told they were going to use what ever entrance they desired. The Trustees indicated they wished they had control over the matter but there have been court rulings that because trucks pay license plate fees and gasoline taxes they can not be restricted from using any road. 2) His other concern was that construction traffic is traveling between

the entire project and he thought that the street in the subdivision was supposed to not be a thru road. He is concerned that all the traffic from this subdivision and Park Trails will come out onto James Road by driving through the subdivision instead of using River and Canyon Roads. Trustee Havens indicated that the subdivision was platted with no thru road. As long as that plat remains in effect the road should be closed to thru traffic after construction is completed.

Trustee Sargent indicated that he attended meetings of the Village annexation committee, the Union Cemetery Board and the Granville Recreation Committee. The property owners who would be involved in the annex want cost figures which the Village agreed to provide for tapping into the utilities. The Union Cemetery Board received a resignation from Flo Hoffman and needs to accept the appointment of Steve Mershon as the Village's representative. There will be a joint meeting of the Village and the Township on February 1 for this purpose. Trustee King and Fiscal Officer Kennedy will not be able to attend this meeting. At the GRC meeting there was discussion about the phase 2 development of the 28 acre purchased by the township at the end of 2003. Trustee Sargent provided the Board members with a listing of the expenditures to develop the original 40 acres under phase 1. He wanted them to compare these expenditures with those being planned for phase 2.

Trustee Havens indicated he went to a 161 Planning Accord Meeting at which they discussed conducting interchange studies.

He also attended a meeting with Bill Habig and representatives of the Village regarding preparation of its 201 plan. They also discussed a procedure to be followed in the updating of the Community Comprehensive Plan. The basis for any community plan is a survey of the residents. It was decided to use a sampled survey technique rather than a volunteer conducted survey. Another reason for using a professional firm rather than community volunteers to prepare the Comprehensive Plan is that a large portion of this Plan will be a comprehensive large traffic study because of the impact of the SR161/37 widening project. Chris Strayer is to prepare an RFP in order to obtain quotations for doing the Plan. It was decided that the Township and Village would each appoint three members to a steering committee. After a short period of discussion on a motion by Trustee King and a second by Trustee Sargent, by a unanimous affirmative vote it was agreed to appoint Jim Murr, Bill Habig and Jim Havens as the township's representatives to this steering committee it was also agreed to set-aside up to \$45,000 for 50% of the estimated professional cost of preparing the comprehensive plan. Fiscal Officer Kennedy stated that this money will have to come from the Opera House Fund as there is insufficient money available in the General Fund to pay this amount.

Trustee Havens asked Trustee King and Superintendent Annarino to look at possible sites for a bikepath across the former Pohm property and how a walkway might be constructed under the SR16 overpass along the Raccoon Creek in order to reach Raccoon Valley Park. They are to report back at the next meeting.

The following matters were discussed with respect to the roads department:

1. Fiscal Officer Kennedy reported that he filed copies of the year end equipment inventory and culvert report with the Licking County Engineer.
2. Superintendent Annarino reported that during the last snow storm he received several anonymous telephone calls from people complaining about the township not clearing or salting Welsh Hills Road between Stublyn and Hankinson Roads. One caller in particular complained in rather rude terms that she had supported the last road and bridge levy and never would vote for another levy but she did not leave her name or telephone number. Annarino indicated that he would have liked to be able to return the call and would have explained that that portion of Welsh Hills Road is a County Road and that the County is responsible for that segment of road. F.O. Kennedy indicated he put information out on the township's website explaining which roads outside of the Village Limits are the responsibility of the township, the county and the State of Ohio.

The following matters were discussed with respect to cemeteries:

1. On a motion by Trustee Havens and a second by Trustee Sargent, by a unanimous affirmative vote it was agreed to enter into a \$60 per month contract for the cleaning of the meeting room at Maple Grove Cemetery.
2. Superintendent Annarino reported they continue to make progress on the computerization of the cemetery records. They have discovered that a number of the maps and pins have been incorrectly offset from their true locations. He plans to meet with the surveyor to discuss these problems. Trustee Havens indicated that Annarino must prepare a punch-list of work left for Harmon Surveying Company to complete and then follow up on each item.

The following matters were discussed with respect to parks:

1. Superintendent Annarino reported that the flag pole has been installed at the RVCC. The next item will be the outdoor lighting. F.O. Kennedy was asked to accumulate the bills as the cost of this project is to be reimbursed by the RVCC. .
2. Superintendent Annarino also indicated that the employees fixed the downspout drainage around the building.

The following matter was discussed with respect to the fire department:

1. Trustee Havens reported that he met with the President and Chief of the fire department on the 10th. He also attended a fire department meeting on the 24th at which the fire department had two Hamilton County fire chiefs speaking on their formation of fire districts. He indicated this was an informative question and answer session.
2. He hopes to participate in some EMS ride-alongs to gain some first hand knowledge of fire department experiences. F.O. Kennedy indicated that he will need to complete a HIPPA training session before he can ride on the squad.

On a motion by Trustee Havens and a second by Trustee Sargent, by a unanimous affirmative vote the following warrants, EFT's and direct debit were approved for payment:

3110	Nextel Communications	405.94	3111	Samuel Koon & Assoc Ltd	1500.00
3112	H&W Office Machine	17.00	3113	Leaderprinting	144.75

3114	Fred Abraham	2000.00	3115	Enviro Kleen	159.00
3116	AEP	13.26	3117	NGO Propane	38.55
3118	Ohio Health Consortium	152.00	3119	Ice Mountain Water	31.12
3120	Hall Signs Inc	875.04	3121	AUTO Illusions	405.00
DM	AEP	120.11	E17	Annarino	1525.33
E18	Binckley	1122.24	E19	Giles	957.69
E20	Main	274.32	E21	Meisenhelder	570.06
E22	Smith	1146.99	3122	PNB – IRS	708.19
3123	OD IT	588.79	3124	Deferred Compensation	390.00
3125	SDIT	30.39	3126	OPERS – Buyback	250.00
3127	OPERS	4802.23			

I hereby certify that the funds were on hand or in process of collection and properly appropriated for payment of the aforementioned warrants.

Norman S. Kennedy, Fiscal Officer

On a motion by Trustee Havens and a second by Trustee Sargent, with King yes, Havens yes and Sargent yes, the meeting was moved into executive session for the purpose of discussing possible property acquisition and employee evaluations.

After a period of discussion the meeting was returned to regular session and adjourned at 9:25 PM.