

Granville Township
Regular Trustee Meeting
August 11, 2010

Present: Trustee Abraham, Trustee Mason, Trustee VanNess, F.O. Kennedy, and
Melanie Schott

Guests: Jeff Hussey, Granville.
Robert Rutherford, 2862 Raccoon Valley Road, Granville;
Brian Miller, Granville Sentinel;
Chris Bunge, 1135 River Road, Granville;
Craig Goodwin, 3269 Lancaster Rd, Newark;
Trudy Pieper, 11057 Jug Street, Johnstown
Lori Carlson, 9773 Nadine Drive, Heath,
Tim Ryan, 347 Cedar St, Granville;
Rick Orr, Hebron, Ohio.

The meeting was opened at 7:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Correspondence Sent/Received:

F.O. Kennedy indicated County Planning had forwarded a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with respect to the Township's commitment to the flood warning, monitoring, computer modeling project approved earlier in the year. He asked the Trustees' pass a resolution permitting him to execute the MOU which commits the Township to the program and the payment of \$3,500 from the General Fund over seven years.

On a motion by Trustee Abraham and a second by Trustee Mason, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' authorized F.O. Kennedy to execute the MOU for the Township.

Public Comments:

Sawyer property

Bob Rutherford indicated he would like to know the status of his March complaint regarding the Sawyer's property west of his driveway. Trustee Abraham indicated Mr. Rutherford's original complaint was he believed a business was being run from the property. Mr. Rutherford stated such was only part of his complaint. Trustee Abraham clarified the fact the minutes reflect Mr. Rutherford registered a complaint a business was being run from this property and Trustees Abraham and Mason, along with Zoning Inspector May believe this situation has been remedied. Mr. Rutherford stated in his opinion Mr. Sawyer has only partially complied. Trustee Abraham asked Mr. Rutherford what he believes Mr. Sawyer has not complied with to date. Mr. Rutherford referred to a copy of the Township's June 18th letter to Mr. Sawyer in which Sawyer was asked to remove the logs and woodchips from sight. Rutherford explained Mr. Sawyer has not removed all of the logs and only about 2/3rd of the wood chips from the property. He believes the remainder of the chips were spread over the property and covered with dirt

leaving an 18 inch high mound. He stated there still are railroad ties located within the property line setbacks and some old farm equipment which may or may not have ever belonged to Mr. Sawyer. Mr. Rutherford stated there is a tree lying on his fence line which prevents him from opening his gate.

In addition, Mr. Rutherford contends the condition of Mr. Sawyer's property is negatively impacting the value of his property. Trustee Abraham indicated he and Trustee Mason visited the Sawyer property earlier today and both report the property is "cleaner than it has been in the last ten years." Both Trustees contend Sawyer has complied with all the Trustees asked of him. During their inspections Trustees observed a small pile of wood chips being used for a backdrop for target practice. Remaining log rounds are neatly stacked and waiting splitting for personal firewood. Mr. Sawyer assured the Trustees the wood rounds are for personal use and not for resale. Mr. Rutherford indicated he is not questioning the wood pile or the target practice area, but does feel Mr. Sawyer is violating the law by having "disguised" the wood chips by covering them with dirt. He suggested the Trustees visit the property and use a shovel and they will find wood chips. Trustee Mason indicated the Township's zoning inspector, Warren May, has indicated to him Mr. Sawyer has complied with the Township's directive. Trustee Mason went on to say he has visited the property on five different occasions, including this morning. He indicated when someone clears a pile of wood chips, it is almost impossible to get every chip off of the ground's surface. His examination of the property did not detect a deep pile of chips covered with dirt. Trustee Mason indicated there is a small pile of mulch on the property which is permissible. Mr. Rutherford stated it is not the mulch pile he's objecting to. Trustee VanNess stated when he visited the property he found split wood neatly stacked along the fence line. He explained the setback requirements in the Township Zoning Resolution pertains to structures and not railroad ties or stacked wood.

Trustee Mason indicated he fails to understand Mr. Rutherford's point. Mr. Rutherford stated the area has wood chips spread on it which is now two feet higher than it used to be. Trustee Mason questioned even if such was true, is it really a problem? Mr. Rutherford stated yes. Trustee Abraham indicated Mr. Sawyer could plant wild flowers in the area and this would also make the land two feet higher. Mr. Rutherford indicated he believes what Mr. Sawyer has done with the wood chips is against the rules and Trustee Abraham's point is irrelevant. Trustee Mason said he is unaware of any Township zoning rules which are being broken. Trustee VanNess stated there are some wood chips where there was a pile higher than the barn, but they are gone except for those on the surface. He understands Mr. Sawyer intends to seed the area with grass in the fall. Trustee VanNess reviewed Mr. Rutherford's original complaint which indicated he felt Mr. Sawyer was violating Sections 803, 905, 914, 1002, 1014 and 1015 of the Township's Zoning Resolution. Trustee VanNess indicated he feels as though these complaints have been resolved. Mr. Rutherford questioned the tree leaning on his fence preventing him from using his gate. Trustee Abraham stated this was not part of Mr. Rutherford's original complaint and asked if the railroad ties have always been on the property. Mr. Rutherford believes Mr. Sawyer brought the railroad ties to the property and he is forced to look at them from his property. Trustee Abraham reiterated the

Sawyer property is the cleanest it has been in ten years. Trustee VanNess agreed and noted there used to also be some piles of tile on the property which have been removed. Trustee Abraham noted the broken machinery has also been removed. Trustee VanNess said Mr. Sawyer indicated he was eventually going to remove the railroad ties. Trustee VanNess stated again he believes everything in Mr. Rutherford's original letter has been addressed and now Mr. Rutherford seems concerned about wood chips being spread on the property with dirt on top. Mr. Rutherford stated he now has an additional complaint over the large tree leaning on his fence. Trustee Abraham stated the Trustees will check with Mr. Sawyer about the tree. Mr. Rutherford claimed he hears the Trustees' saying they feel Mr. Sawyer is in compliance with the zoning code, therefore he intends to appeal their decision. He requested a copy of the minutes regarding this matter. F.O. Kennedy indicated he would send Mr. Rutherford a copy of the appropriate sections of the minutes as soon as they are available.

Humane Society Presentation

Tim Ryan indicated he is representing the Licking County Humane Society. They wish to talk to the Trustees' regarding the possibility of purchasing some Township acreage to build a new Humane Society facility. They would like them to consider a three-acre size lot to construct a 10,000-15,000 square foot facility with dog runs.

Rick Orr said he is president of the Humane Society. The Society is presently located next to the County Dog Pound on .2 acre without any ability to expand. They think they need at least three acres to house dogs and cats. He stated they would like to build a steel structure with nice curb appeal which is energy efficient with soundproofing and proper landscaping for acoustics. He went on to say the Humane Society receives a lot of support from the Granville community. Mr. Orr said they would consider any land owned by the Township, but they are particularly interested in the land located near the Township garage because it has easy access to Route 16 and 37. He indicated they are in attendance to begin dialogue to purchase some property.

Trustee Mason questioned if the Humane Society is open to other locations because the location next to the Township garage is close to Kendal and it has just announced plans to expand. He questioned if noise, odor, and traffic would come into play. Mr. Orr stated these are legitimate questions. Tim Ryan said he has already talked with Tom Mitchell who indicated he would be willing to look at what the Humane Society is proposing. Trustee Abraham asked if the Humane Society has viewed the area of land near the Township garage.

Mr. Ryan indicated they are aware the property would take clearing and work, but the Humane Society is in need of a location with visibility and public utilities. Mr. Orr stated need to raise money, but the organization first must to secure a location before they begin a capital campaign. Trustee VanNess stated the Trustees have just agreed to have a strategic plan prepared regarding potential future locations for the fire department and perhaps a public safety complex including the Village police department and they shouldn't make any decisions until they receive the study results. Chief Hussey

indicated the report should be done by the end of the year, possibly by the end of October.

Trustee Abraham asked how big the structure would be. Mr. Orr indicated they are looking at a plot plan of 230 feet x 185 feet - just about an acre – and this includes entrance and parking. He stated they would also need buffer room around the structure and the Township site is appealing because it has trees. Mr. Ryan stated that the building would be 10,000-15,000 square feet with the dog runs under roof. Trustee Abraham indicated the new Township garage is 16,000 square feet. Trustee VanNess stated the zoning code for this district (General Business) permits a maximum 10,000 square foot building. F.O. Kennedy stated the Township had to apply for a variance to have a building larger than 10,000 square feet. Trustee Abraham stated he is not against the idea, but they first need to follow up on the fire department study and this may slow things down for the Humane Society. Mr. Orr explained they are flexible and there are four other properties they are considering. F.O. Kennedy wanted to clarify Mr. Ryan statement about wanting land with public utilities. Even though Kendal and the Township garage both have water and sewer there are no public utilities to this property. While Kendal installed the sewer line only the Village Council controls who connects to the utilities. Mr. Ryan stated that he was aware that this would come from the Village. Trustee VanNess stated that M1 District zoning next to this property does not have a cap on the size of the square footage; however, kennels are conditional not permitted uses in the M1 District.

Trustee Abraham asked if the Humane Society has had any conversations with the Owens Corning property. Mr. Ryan stated no.

The Humane Society representatives were informed the Trustees could not make a decision until reviewing the result of the current fire department/public safety complex location study which is expected to be available between October and the end of the year.

Elected Officials Report:

Trustee Mason reported he attended a meeting of the Joint Communications group and also the Chamber. He has also been involved with visitations to various properties in the Township and met with the Zoning Inspector and Mr. Sawyer.

Roads Department:

Trustee Abraham reported for Superintendent Binckley who is on vacation. The employees continue to work on berming and roadside mowing. A tree was cleared from the cemetery fence along the bikepath.

F.O. Kennedy provided an update on the 2010/11 State salt contract which was discussed at the last meeting. It was subsequently determined the paperwork was for an additional bid on treated salt which is typically \$20 per ton higher than the untreated salt normally ordered by the Township. He discussed the matter with Superintendent Binckley and determined the untreated order should stand as previously submitted and no treated tonnage was needed.

F.O. Kennedy indicated the first annual principal and interest payment was due for the loan to construct the Township's new garage. The scheduled amount is \$57,297.52 which was set up to amortize the original \$600,000 amount. As the balance of the loan at December 31, 2009 was \$380,000 making these payments would amortize the loan prior to its original 15 year term. As Park National permitted this loan to be prepaid without penalty he suggested making two supplemental, "extra" principal payments. One for \$2753.15 (the difference between the scheduled payment and the \$60,000 amount appropriated at the beginning of the year) and second for an additional \$10,000 for a total of \$12,753.15. According to his calculations by making the one time \$10,000 payment at the beginning of the loan and continuing to make a \$60,000 payment the Township would save approximately \$10,000 in interest over the life of the loan. This computation assumes the interest rate reprices to 6.5% in years six thru ten. After a short period of discussion, on a motion by Trustee VanNess and a second by Trustee Mason, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' agreed to pay an additional \$12,753.15 toward principal for the Township garage loan.

Parks Department:

F.O. Kennedy reported the Land Trust committee continues to work on the SWIF Grant project in Spring Valley Park. He also reported the Brown House property at SVP has been leased effective September 1st.

Trustee Abraham stated he has tried to reach Candi Moore regarding the Bath House at Spring Valley Park, but she is away on vacation. He did speak with Ned Roberts who indicated he realizes the predicament the Township Trustees are in regarding the structure. Anne Ormond had indicated she was going to have a meeting of interested parties, but to the best of his knowledge this has not yet happened. He expressed concern about the pending September 13th renewal of the Township's insurance at which time the insurance company plans to drop coverage for the bath house. He suggested a decision needs to be made at the next meeting. Trustee Mason suggested sending a letter to Anne Ormond, Grace Gordon, and Candi Moore to let them know the disposition of the structure will be addressed at the Township Meeting on August 25th.

On a motion by Trustee Mason and a second by Trustee Abraham, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' authorized F.O. Kennedy to notify Anne Ormond, Grace Gordon, Ned Roberts and Candi Moore the Township Trustees' will be making a decision on the disposition of the bath house at their regularly scheduled meeting on August 25th.

Fire Department:

Chief Hussey thanked the Trustees' for attending the fire training at the Park property on August 1st.

He reported good progress is being made on the strategic planning for a possible new station (public safety complex) location. He has involved Village Manager and Chief of Police in the process.

Chief Hussey indicated he will be in Maryland next week attending a community emergency training program sponsored and paid for by the County EMA. There will be 50 to 60 community leaders in attendance.

Chief Hussey recommended Steve Watling, a resident of McKean Township, be appointed as a probationary intermittent employee of the Fire Department. On a motion by Trustee Abraham and a second by Trustee VanNess, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' appointed Steve Watling as a probationary intermittent of the Fire Department.

Chief Hussey reported the Energy Coop Round Up program has approved a 50%, \$1,500 matching grant for a "slice pack exothermic cutting torch" as submitted by Captain Thompson. He requested the Trustees approve acceptance of the grant and the expenditure of the remaining \$1,500 for the purchase of the torch. The \$1,500 is available in the capital items appropriation line item. On a motion by Trustee Mason and a second by Trustee VanNess, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' agreed to accept the Energy Coop Round Up Program Grant of \$1500 and authorize an additional \$1,500 for the purchase of a cutting torch.

Chief Hussey stated the NFPA standards recommend having a fitness program as well as a yearly medical physical. He has been working with Don Moxley at Lemonade Fitness on developing a fitness program for the Fire Department employees. Mr. Moxley has expressed an interest in assuming the role of fitness coordinator for the Department. He stated Mr. Moxley would do health fitness testing to analyze the fitness level of the ten full-time employees and establish fitness goals and a program to achieve those goals for \$2,800 for the remainder of the year. The Chief would like approval to pay for the test program using the \$5,000 budget line item already set aside for health and wellness. He explained that better fitness would help the employees do a better job, as well as help control workers' compensation injuries and claims in the future. If the program works as he expects he would plan to expand it to all the personnel in the Department.

On a motion by Trustee VanNess and a second by Trustee Abraham, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' authorized Chief Hussey to enter into a fitness agreement with Don Moxley, Lemonade Fitness, at a cost of \$2,800 for services to be rendered through the remainder of 2010.

Old Business:

MS4 Plan:

Trustee Mason reported he has talked with Bill Lozier regarding the letter received from the Ohio EPA regarding the storm water issues in the County. He stated the Township is

in compliance with a high percentage of what was listed, but do have some responsibility in one section regarding the runoff from public garage facility. F.O. Kennedy indicated Trustee Abraham, along with the architect, had a waste water interceptor system installed in the new garage when it was constructed. He suggested the road department personnel should begin keeping a log of degreaser pickups and waste oil disposition to document proper disposal of these materials.

Comprehensive Plan:

Trustee VanNess reported Jackie O'Keefe continues to review the plan.

Contract with Recreation District:

Trustee Abraham stated he and F.O. Kennedy are continuing to meet with representatives of the Joint Recreation District to create management/relationship agreement between the two organizations.

Fire Hydrant:

Chief Hussey reported the original hydrant in question has been repaired. He and F.O. Kennedy will be discussing the maintenance of the hydrants with the Village Manager.

Property Issues:

Sawyer Property:

Trustee Abraham indicated he feels as though Mr. Sawyer corrected what was brought up in Mr. Rutherford's original complaint with respect to his property. Trustee Mason and Trustee VanNess concurred. Trustee Mason added Zoning Inspector May, also feels the situation has been remedied. Mason said he will ask Mr. Sawyer about the tree mentioned by Mr. Rutherford. The Trustees' agreed that aesthetically the Sawyer property is in as good as condition as it has been in years and they do not see any violations which are outside the condition of any other residential property located in the Township. Trustee VanNess noted Mr. Rutherford listed five complaints in his letter and these have all been addressed.

On a motion by Trustee Mason and a second by Trustee Abraham, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' concluded their the inspection for the Sawyer property is complete and they have determined the property to be in compliance with Sections 803, 905, 914, 1002, 1014, and 1015 of the Township's Zoning Code. In addition, the property is aesthetically in condition equal to or better than other residential properties in the area. The Trustees' further noted Township Zoning Inspector May is also in agreement and has certified from his standpoint the property is in compliance.

Benson Property:

F.O. Kennedy reported the registered letter sent to Peter Benson on July 23 was returned by the Post Office marked "not picked up".

Trustee Abraham stated while the property owners have complied with most of what they were asked to do there is still more to be done. Trustee Mason suggested F.O. Kennedy

send a letter to the owners thanking them for their efforts to date and detail those items which still must be done.

On a motion by Trustee Mason and a second by Trustee Abraham, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' asked F.O. Kennedy to prepare a letter to Ms Gjessing and Mr. Benson thanking them for their efforts to date regarding property they own at 1188 River Road. The letter should note the shrubbery and vines must still be cut-back along the western and southern property lines as well as the trees and shrubs growing up against the house. The letter should also note that the Trustees' expect the owner's to continue to keep up with the maintenance of the property.

Park Property:

Trustee Abraham stated after the house and out buildings were burned the debris must now be removed and the basement area filled in. Chief Hussey noted the homeowner is out of town, but he believes she intends to clean up the remaining debris and level the property.

On a motion by Trustee Abraham and a second by Trustee VanNess, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' asked Chief Hussey or F.O. Kennedy to contact the homeowner of the Park property and request the debris be removed and the property leveled.

Ultra Concrete Property:

Trustee Abraham indicated he has left his business card at the property three different times and asked the owner to call him, but no date no calls have been returned. He suggested sending a letter to the property owner requesting the property be cleaned up in within thirty days.

On a motion by Trustee Abraham and a second by Trustee VanNess, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' asked F.O. Kennedy to send a letter to the owner of Ultra Concrete, River Road, requesting it be straightened up and the debris be removed and the weeds and grass be mowed.

Former BP Station area:

F.O. Kennedy stated former Trustee Bill Habig had worked with the owners of this property and was asked to call them about the lack of mowing. He did so and was told the property would be mowed.

On a motion by Trustee Mason and a second by Trustee VanNess, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' asked F.O. Kennedy to contact the owners of Raccoon Creek LLC by the August 25th if they do not mow the property and ask for the property to be properly maintained.

New Business:

F.O. Kennedy stated he has been told several of the Trustees will not be able to attend the next meeting at 7:00PM but can make 8:00PM. He requested the Trustees change the

starting time for the August 25th meeting and he will advertise this change in the paper and on the website

On a motion by Trustee Abraham and a second by Trustee Mason, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the Trustees' authorized the starting time of the regularly scheduled Township Meeting on August 25th to be changed from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Financial Matters:

On a motion by Trustee Abraham and a second by Trustee VanNess, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the following appropriation transfers were approved:

From 2031-760-740-0000 R&B – Vehicles & Equip	10,000.00
To 2031-830-830-0000 R&B – Interest on Loan	10,000.00
From 2031-820-820-0000 R&B – Loan Principal	1,450.66
To 2031-830-830-0000 R&B – Interest on Loan	1,450.00
From 2191-220-599-0004 Fire – Carryover	2,000.00
To 2191-220-251-0000 Fire – Uniforms	2,000.00
From 1000-110-599-0004 General – Carryover	1,200.00
To 1000-110-223-0000 General – Dental Ins	1,200.00
From 1000-110-111-0000 General – Trustee Salary	100.00
To 1000-110-224-0000 General – vision ins	100.00
From 2021-330-599-0001 Gas – C/O Beg Yr	205.00
To 2021-330-223-0000 Gas – Dental Ins	205.00
From 2021-330-230-0000 Gas – Workers' Comp	40.00
To 2021-330-224-0000 Gas - Vision Ins	40.00
From 2031-330-315-0000 R&B – election exp	200.00
To 2031-330-223-0000 R&B –Dental Ins	200.00
From 2031-330-315-0000 R&B – election exp	220.00
To 2031-330-224-0000 R&B – Dental Ins	220.00
From 2041-410-223-0000 Cemetery – Dental Ins	100.00
To 2041-410-222-0000 Cemetery – Life Ins	100.00
From 2041-410-230-0000 Cemetery – Workers' Comp	25.00
To 2041-410-224-0000 Cemetery – Vision Ins	25.00
From 2191-220-223-0000 Fire - Dental Ins	100.00
To 2191-220-222-0200 Fire – SAFER life ins	100.00

From 2191-220-223-0000 Fire – Dental Ins 300.00
 To 2191-220-224-0200 Fire – SAFER Dental ins 300.00

On a motion by Trustee Abraham and a second by Trustee VanNess, by a unanimous affirmative vote the following warrants, debit memos, EFT's, along with then and now certificates if applicable, were approved for payment:

n/a	Abraham	.00	E3274	Barnhill	418.51
E3275	Binckley	1520.94	E3276	Borden	1458.11
E3277	Boudinot	645.50	n/a		.00
E3278	Bowman	1671.49	E3279	Bryan	993.92
E3280	Butt	764.19	E3281	Clemens	1286.87
n/a	Coyle	.00	E3282	Curtis	1765.01
E3283	DuBeck	448.52	n/a	Duncan	.00
n/a		.00	E3284	Essick	931.71
E3285	Hall	1507.56	E3286	Harrison	366.11
E3287	Henry	678.95	E3288	Hill, B	1301.26
E3289	Hill, J	110.30	E3290	Huhn	786.27
E3291	Hussey	2532.81	E3292	Jones, A	657.01
E3293	Jones, B	810.69	n/a	Kennedy	.00
E3294	Kindell	418.43	E3295	Lynn	584.53
n/a	Mason	803.96	E3296	May	723.49
E3297	Meisenhelder	577.36	E3298	Monroe	1210.05
n/a		.00	E3299	Pack	327.19
E3300	Reece	1555.16	n/a	Riley	.00
n/a	Schott	.00	E3301	Smith, D.	377.43
E3302	Thomas	377.43	E3303	Thompson	1455.50
n/a	VanNess	.00	7232	PNB – IRS	5146.91
7233	Deferred Comp	1525.00	7234	Ohio Insurance Services	1522.75
7235	Elan Financial Services	621.74	7236	MT Business Technologies	30.35
7237	Newspaper News Network	12.45	7238	Curb Appeal Lawns	600.00
7239	ELM Recycling	1584.63	7240	Southeastern Equipment Co	318.29
7241	Super Duty Truck Parts	244.02	7242	Wright Bros Power	505.08
7243	KPS/NAPA	299.28	7244	Granville Lumber	667.45
7245	Granville Milling	322.90	7246	Ross' Granville Market	120.24
7247	Cintas Corporation	384.79	7248	Certified Oil	2749.26
7249	Park National Bank	57246.82	7250	Park National Bank	12753.15
7251	Downes Fishel	262.50	7252	Licking Memorial	16.49
7253	Wince Welding	43.15	7254	Jan's In Stitches	60.00
7255	Leo Myers	111.96	7256	Ohio Health/Beh Health	117.30
7257	Capital Consulting	205.00	7258	Finley Fire	1000.00
7259	Physio Control	3637.00	7260	Richardson Glass	240.77
7261	JAE's Towing	150.00	7262	Flora's Diesel Repair	1834.55
7263	Quality Fire Protection	171.00	7264	AEP	4.53
7265	Resource International Inc	1600.00	7266	Granville Township	28862.58
7267	McDonald Auto	854.70	7268	Nextel Communications	195.95

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

 Norman S. Kennedy, Fiscal Officer

Executive Session:

On a motion by Trustee Abraham and a second by Trustee Mason, with Abraham yes, Mason yes, and VanNess yes the meeting was moved into executive session under ORC 121.22(G)(2) with respect to possible property acquisition and ORC 121.22(G)(1) to consider the possible discipline of a public employee.

After a period of discussion on a motion by Trustee Mason and a second by Trustee VanNess with Abraham yes, Mason yes and VanNess yes the meeting was returned to regular session.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.