

Minutes of Regular Meeting February 8, 2006

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

Guests: Frank Annarino
Jeffrey, Sandra & Denali Knott, 3885 Hankinson Rd
Don Andrews, 197 Louise Dr
Ed Smith, 177 Louise Dr

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

On a motion by Trustee Sargent and a second by Trustee King, by a unanimous affirmative vote it was agreed to accept the minutes of January 25, 2006 as previously presented by Fiscal Officer Kennedy.

Don Andrews inquired about the location of a property referred to in prior township minutes and about utility easements on township properties. Trustee Havens indicated he would send Andrews a copy of an email regarding the property and explained that utility easements were typically blanket easements across entire tracts of land. Easements on his property should have been referenced at the time a title search was done when the property was purchased.

Sandra Knott was present regarding Weaver Drive signage. She has a business on Weaver and is concerned that the street sign doesn't allow drivers to locate the street. Superintendent Annarino is to look into the matter. She also wishes to place a directional business sign on the street sign post. Trustee Sargent indicated he had talked with Mrs. Knott and explained to her that he is not sure the township's present zoning would permit such signage. There is also the matter that SR661 begins at the location and the State has control over signage in its right-of-ways. Trustee Havens stated that to make changes to the zoning resolution there would have to be public hearings. Should the signage section of the zoning resolution be amended they could also address the issue of who pays for the signage if it's subsequently damaged.

Trustee Sargent reported that he, Trustee King and Fiscal Officer Kennedy attended the Ohio Township Association winter conference in Columbus. They went to numerous information seminar sessions. F.O. Kennedy indicated he completed the investment seminars required for compliance with SB81.

Trustee Sargent further reported that he and F.O. Kennedy attended the tri-municipal meeting of Granville, Heath and Newark held at the Bryn Du Mansion.

Trustee Havens reported that he and Trustee Sargent attended a joint meeting with the Village to appoint a new member to the Union Cemetery Board. Steve Mershon was appointed as the Village's representative. The Board is still looking for a community member to replace Flo Hoffman who recently submitted her resignation.

Trustee Sargent reported he attended a meeting at Kendal on the 7th regarding the residents interest in plans for the JEDD and possible commercial activity in the area surrounding Kendal along SR16.

Trustee Havens reported Bill Habig is working with Chris Strayer on development of the Village's section 201 plan. The Village Council has appointed Constance Barsky, Jackie O'Keefe and Steve Mershon as its representatives to the Comprehensive Plan steering committee.

Trustee Havens also reported that he has begun attending the fire department business meetings. He indicated there is a lot to learn regarding the operation of the department and how the township trustees might be of assistance. The fire department prepared a disaster plan after the ice storm last year and he suggested a copy should be obtained for Trustee Sargent.

Trustee Havens further reported on problems related to construction of a cellular tower in the southeast quadrant of the township off SR37. He has been talking with residents who are having a tower built on their neighbor's property literally in their front yard. They are extremely frustrated and wanted to know why the township trustees couldn't provide more support. Trustee Havens talked with officials at the Ohio Township Association and one of the members of the township zoning commission regarding two Supreme Court decisions and determined that nothing has changed with respect to towers. Townships still have only limited control over cell towers in residential zoned areas and no control over them in any other zoning areas. Cell towers are regulated by the PUCO and federal and state legislation which precludes township zoning from controlling or prohibiting towers. He made telephone calls and agreed to write a letter to Central States Tower LLC but is unable to prevent the tower from being constructed. Fiscal Officer Kennedy stated that anytime the township is contacted by a cell tower site locator he tries to interest them in co-locating on existing towers or in placing a tower somewhere on the Denison campus. None of these approaches has worked as the township has no leverage with respect to the matter.

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

1. Superintendent Annarino reported that between snow and ice removal the employees have been working on tree trimming. In one subdivision there was a complaint that they were not trimming the trees properly. Trustee Sargent had John Klauder look at the situation and he offered that the employees were "doing a good job".
2. The roadside signs have been raised along Silver Street by adding a post extension. This project will be continued throughout the township as time permits.
3. Superintendent Annarino indicated that he and Trustee King must still look at roads for possible paving this year.

The following matters were discussed with respect to parks:

1. Superintendent Annarino reported that the road gate has been installed at Raccoon Valley Park.
2. Trustee Sargent indicated he has been unable to contact the Golf Range owners regarding the possible land swap that was discussed at the last meeting.
Superintendent Annarino

Fiscal Officer Kennedy presented the January 31, 2006 bank reconciliation for review and approval by the Trustees.

On a motion by Trustee Sargent and a second by Trustee Havens, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the following warrants, debit memos and EFTs were approved:

3128	Teachers Protective	8548.18	2953	Delta Dental	342.20
3130	Bureau Workers Comp	21978.08	3131	Norman Kennedy	53.39
3132	Wes Sargent	44.85	3133	Xerox Corp	98.62
3134	Arwebb Office	130.29	3135	Phil Parker	221.40
3136	L/C Treasurer	11526.34	3137	Burrowes Cons Serv	14371
3138	Primary Vision Care	231.20	3139	Newspaper Network	74.45
3140	Leaderprinting	98.85	3141	Wendy Lewis	150.00
3142	Admiral Flag Poles	480.00	3143	Charles O'Keefe	325.00
3144	Waste Mgt	103.47	3145	JAE's	265.89
3146	Wright Bros Power	8.90	3147	KPS/NAPA	252.47
3148	Newark Janitorial	35.77	3149	Mr. First Aid Inc	26.95
3150	Cintas Corp	881.46	3151	Granville Lumber	33.56
3152	Certified Oil	615.66	3153	James Kennedy	2450.00
3154	Benjamin Rader	2450.00	DM10	Alltel	180.65
DM11	Village of Granville	13.60	DM12	Columbia Gas	2350.16
E23	Annarino	1993.51	E24	Binckley	1574.09
E25	Giles	1213.04	E26	Havens	291.79
E27	Kennedy	548.70	E28	King	371.75
E29	Main	229.92	E30	May	633.09
E31	Meisenhelder	570.06	E32	Sargent	360.45
E33	Smith	1146.99	E34	Westall	44.02
3155	PNB – IRS	2657.62	E3156	Deferred Compensation	612.00

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
Township Fiscal Officer

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

After a period of discussion the meeting was returned to regular session and adjourned at 9:50 PM.