

The Washington Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on July 11, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. at the Washington Township Government Center, 8200 McEwen Road. President Berry opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

FISCAL OFFICER'S BUSINESS

Year-to-Date Income/Expense Report

The Trustees have requested that a Year-to-Date Income/Expense Report be presented on a monthly basis. As of June 30, 2011, Washington Township has collected from all funds \$13,528,015.54, and has dispersed in all funds \$10,944,459.63, for a positive cash carryover of \$2,583,555.91.

FIREFIGHTER MIKE ROHDE RETIREMENT

Firefighter Mike Rohde was honored for his many years of service with the Township. Chief Bill Gaul gave a brief history of Mr. Rohde's background and experience with Washington Township. He has been an officer since July of 2003 when he was promoted to Lieutenant. He received the Employee of the Year Award for Excellence in 1997 for his dedication and loyalty to the Washington Township Fire Department. Mike has been active in the Association where he was Treasurer. He was always there on Ice Cream Social days. He has always met one hundred percent of his training requirements, which is an amazing accomplishment. Mr. Rohde was at Fire Station 45 until December of 2010 when he was asked to assume the duties as Company Commander at Fire Station 41. Moving up from Lieutenant to Captain is a big deal with the additional responsibilities assumed and is even harder when taking on a group of firefighters in a different fire station that you have not worked side by side with or know. Mr. Rohde spent more than 28 years with the Washington Township Fire Department as a part-time employee. He did this along with a full-time job during the day.

The Trustees presented a plaque to Mr. Rohde. Mrs. Young read the plaque as follows: "Presented on retirement for Mike Rohde in recognition and appreciation for 28 years of dedication, service and leadership to the Washington Township Fire Department," dated July 11, 2011.

Mr. Rohde gave a few words, stating that he enjoyed every minute and thanked everyone.

TOWNSHIP SQUARE DEVELOPMENT

Ms. Lightle announced that the Township Square Development item has been removed from the agenda at the applicant's request.

LIQUOR PERMIT

Captain Osterfeld is in receipt of an application for a new liquor permit, number 0664282, from Best Fondue, Inc., located at 453 Miamisburg-Centerville Road in Washington Township. Captain Osterfeld has reviewed the application and sees no reason to object. No action taken.

8510 GARNET DRIVE HEARING

Law Director Bob Surdyk indicated the rehabilitation or removal of the 8510 Garnet Drive property has been going on for almost a year now. The process has been complicated by the fact that the property is in foreclosure. As a result of this foreclosure, he has been working with representatives of the bank, hoping to come to some resolution which would result in the bank acquiring the property and making the appropriate repairs or removal of the structure and debris on the property. After many hours of discussion with representatives of the bank, Mr. Surdyk concluded that this was not going to occur. At that point, it was decided that it would be best to proceed.

Additional notice was given to Mr. Braunberger, the owner of the property, and to the other parties who have an equitable interest in the property about the Township's intentions to proceed forward. The Board has already made a decision that the structure should be removed in light of the ruling by the health department in that the property was unfit for human habitation. At that point in time, Mr. Surdyk was instructed to work with the mortgage holders to see if they would rectify the property. Mr. Surdyk indicated that this attempt was unsuccessful.

Due to the amount of time that passed and to insure that the legal and equitable owners for the property's rights were adequately protected and to give them one more opportunity to present their case to the Board at this meeting, additional notice was given to Mr. Braunberger and the bank of the Township intent to move forward.

Mr. Surdyk received no response from the bank in regard to their intentions to contest the Township's intentions. He did, however, receive an appeal from Mr. Braunberger, to come to the meeting and explain why he feels the structure should not be removed. As of 4:30 p.m. this afternoon, however, Mr. Surdyk received a letter from Mr. Braunberger's attorney that informed him that Mr. Braunberger would not be appearing and confirming that Mr. Braunberger has come to grips with the fact that the structure needs to be removed.

In accordance with Section 505.86 of the Ohio Revised Code, which allows you to remove property that has been declared unfit for human habitation by the Board of Health, Mr. Surdyk requested that the Township moves forward with the project at this time.

Ms. Lightle read the motion. It was moved by Mrs. Young, seconded by Mr. Paulson, pursuant to Section 505.86 of the Ohio Revised Code, to remove the structure at 8510 Garnet Drive, Washington Township, and authorizes the Township Administrator to employ a demolition contractor at a cost not to exceed \$25,000 to proceed with demolition of the property at 8510 Garnet Drive and that the cost of any such work be assessed against the real estate or collected from the owners of the property.

Vote on Motion: Young, aye; Paulson, aye; Berry, aye. M2011-195

Mr. Paulson asked if there is a timeline on the motion. Mr. Surdyk responded there is not with the motion itself; however, it is time to enter into a demolition contract to get onto their schedule to allow them to do it as soon as possible. Mr. Surdyk added that he informed Mr. Braunberger's attorney that he would inform her as to the date of demolition, to give him the opportunity to remove personal property from the house, but we would not be waiting for him to do that.

CITIZEN CONCERNS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Board of Trustees to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. Any Trustee may remove an item from the Consent Agenda by request. No second is required for removal of an item. Items removed for separate discussion will be considered after the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

A. Meeting Minutes – June 20, 2011 Pre-Meeting; June 20, 2011 Regular Meeting.

B. Finance – A motion approving the following:

- Check Register dated July 11, 2011, in the amount of \$473,013.24, said amount having been certified and appropriated
- Rec Refund Check Register dated June 28, 2011, in the amount of \$85.00, said amount having been certified and appropriated
- Rec Refund Check Register dated July 8, 2011, in the amount of \$909.50, said amount having been certified and appropriated
- Special Check Register dated June 30, 2011, in the amount of \$34,798.38, said amount having been certified and appropriated
- Special Check Register dated July 7, 2011, in the amount of \$8,874.43, said amount having been certified and appropriated
- Then & Now for Charter Vans, purchase order 50282, for the first payment only, in the amount of \$3,397.50.

C. Fire

- A motion to approve the purchase of 10 sets of sirens, speakers and lights for part-paid personnel, from Galls, Inc., for the total approximate cost of \$2,180.
- A motion to authorize the Township Administrator to contract for the training tower's Fire Trainer T-500 Live Fire Training System from Kidde for a one-year renewable maintenance contract on equipment hardware and software for a total approximate cost of \$9,879.
- A motion to change vendors from Warren Fire Equipment to Phoenix Safety Outfitters for the purchase of 25 sets of turnout gear for the total approximate cost of \$45,000.

D. Public Works

- A motion to approve L.J. DeWeese Co. for the Cranbrook Rehabilitation Project, for the total approximate cost of \$460,746.50.
- A motion to approve contracting with URS Engineers for the right-of-way plans and legal descriptions for the Nutt Road Phase III project for the total approximate cost of \$28,054.

- A motion authorizing going to bid for the Butterfly Playground Project at the Recreation Center.
- A motion to approve Hobart Services to perform emergency repairs of the dishwasher and oven at Hithergreen Senior Center for the total approximate cost of \$3,123.15.
- A motion to approve Rieck Services for additional HVAC maintenance at Hithergreen Senior Center for the total approximate cost of \$8,000.

It was moved by Mr. Paulson, seconded by Mrs. Young, to approve all items on the Consent Agenda.

Vote on Motion: Paulson, aye; Young, aye; Berry, aye. M2011-196

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

GENERAL

ICMA Conference

This year's International City/County Management Association Conference is being held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, from September 18 through September 21, 2011.

It was moved by Mr. Paulson, seconded by Mrs. Young, that the Board approves the Township Administrator to attend the ICMA Conference in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, from September 18 through September 21, 2011, for a total approximate cost of \$1,430.

Vote on Motion: Paulson, aye; Young, aye; Berry, aye. M2011-197

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Lightle reported that the Street Improvement Program has been completed. She congratulated staff who spent hours making sure that the project was completed successfully. She added that the Township tries to complete this annual project before school starts.

The next Trustee meeting is July 18th. There will not be a Trustee meeting on August 1st.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Mrs. Young congratulated everyone who worked hard at the Americana Festival. It was a great success and the weather cooperated and it was a very enjoyable day. She added that the Township's float won the Grand Marshal's prize.

Mr. Paulson echoed Mrs. Young's comments. He stated that it was great to see the community come together and do such a great event. He indicated he enjoyed judging the car show.

Mr. Berry reported that on Sunday, July 3rd, the Trustees attended the Grand Marshal's reception. They sat with and met some of the scholarship winners for the Americana Festival Scholarship Program. They then went to the Leonard Stubbs Park's outdoor theater for a very entertaining and moving patriotic concert. The next day, on the Fourth of July, the Trustees participated in the parade on the award-winning float. During the entire day, the center of activities for Americana was Town Hall. Mr. Paice and all of his staff members had activities

going on in front of Town Hall and inside Town Hall. On Wednesday, July 6th, Mr. Berry indicated that he and Ms. Lightle were introduced to the new addition at Bill Yeck Park, which is the former Smith family farm on Centerville Station Road. They went on a 45 minute hike through the trails and ended up in the house, which they toured. He added that we now have in excess of 900 acres of Park District, which makes us one of the best in the State of Ohio.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:52 P.M.

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Washington Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in an open meeting; and of any of its committees resulting in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

President

Fiscal Officer