

The Washington Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on November 21, 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

Levy

The Board of Trustees has been reviewing the monies needed to operate the Public Works department for the next five years. In 2012, a five-year, 1.70 mill levy will expire and the Trustees are considering replacing that levy with a five-year levy of 1.70, 1.80, 1.85, 1.90 or 1.95 mills. The final decision on the millage will not be made until the December 5, 2011, Trustee Meeting.

Section 5705.03 (B) requires the Township to certify to the county auditor a resolution requesting the county auditor to certify the Township's total current tax valuation of the unincorporated area of Washington Township and the number of mills required to generate a specified amount of revenue or dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a specified amount of mills. Since the final millage will not be decided and approved until the December 5, 2011, Trustee Meeting, staff recommends requesting the county auditor to certify five millage amounts.

It was moved by Mr. Paulson, seconded by Mrs. Young, that the Board, in accordance with Section 5705.03 (B) adopts resolutions requesting the county auditor to certify the Township's total current tax valuation of the unincorporated area of Washington Township and the dollar amount of revenue that will be generated by 1.70, 1.80, 1.85, 1.90 and 1.95 mills.

Vote on Motion: Paulson, aye; Young, aye; Berry, aye. M2011-242

DP&L PRESENTATION

Robbie Thornhill, Dayton Power & Light, gave an update on renewable energy. She indicated that Ohio Senate Bill 221 passed in 2008. This bill mandated that public utilities, like Dayton Power & Light, have 12.5 percent of their generation from renewable sources by the year 2025, with .5 percent specifically from solar. Other examples of renewable energy technologies are wind turbines and biomasses. Biomass includes grasses and wood chips, natural fuel sources. Prior to Senate Bill 221, Dayton Power & Light did not have any generation from renewable sources. Their plan is to meet Senate Bill 221 guidelines with the following three steps. They will be evaluating the purchase of renewable energy certificates to comply with the guidelines. The renewable energy certificates (RECs) are produced by generators of renewable power and can be purchased by a utility like Dayton Power & Light. They are also looking at installing and generating power from renewable facilities, such as solar rays and wind turbines. They also want to learn from renewable investments made by themselves and others so they can get a better understanding of the cost and efficiency of renewable generation.

Some of the investments made by Dayton Power & Light in renewable energy include the building of two solar facilities, one of which is located in Washington Township and the other in Miamisburg. The Mound facility in Miamisburg cost approximately \$400,000 and produces 60 kilowatts of output. Located on the side of a hill, it has 340 panels that generate approximately 180 watts each. The yearly generation is equivalent to about what five homes would consume. This was a joint project with the City of Miamisburg, who was trying to develop this particular site as an energy park.

The Yankee solar facility cost approximately \$5 million and produces 1.1 megawatts of output. There are over 9,000 panels on the 7 acre site. The yearly generation is equivalent to about what 150 homes would consume. They also have an educational kiosk set up so that the general public can come and received information about the facility.

In addition to the compliance requirements for renewable energy, they also have compliance requirements for energy efficiency. Dayton Power & Light is often asked about the cost effectiveness of energy efficiency versus solar facilities. In 2010, through their energy efficiency programs, they rebated customers approximately \$12.1 million for energy efficiency enhancements since 2009. The enhancements have saved, collectively, about 25 megawatts of electricity at a cost of approximately \$500,000 per megawatt. With solar, at a cost of \$5 million and with producing 1.1 megawatts, that translates to about \$5,000 per megawatt. Solar is considerably more expensive and the capacity factors about 14%. Meaning, they are able to produce electricity about 14 percent of the time over the year; whereas, your light bulbs are there whenever you need them. Bottom line, energy efficiency is the most cost effective megawatt and whatever energy you do not use is the best megawatt there could be.

Mr. Paulson asked what the cost per megawatt was from standard coal generation. Ms. Thornhill indicated there are a lot of factors that go into this. She stated that theirs is around \$90.00 per megawatt right now. Mr. Paulson commented that he has seen some of these installations, but it seemed to him to be so expensive to be viable. He wondered what Dayton Power & Light thought about the push for the solar panels and things when it, obviously, would not work without some sort of subsidy or push. He asked about the future of that. Ms. Thornhill indicated that Dayton Power & Light is very interested in the technology because trying to invest in coal-fired plants is a significant investment. Typically, as technology becomes more available, it drops in price. They think the price will drop in time as people become more creative with how they develop materials. She added this is one of the reasons why they look to do mutually beneficial joint projects. Mr. Paulson surmised that without a government push, Dayton Power & Light certainly would not have done a solar field. Ms. Thornhill agreed.

CITIZEN CONCERNS

Mike "Slinger" Gibney, 1441 Beaushire Circle, in "the greatest township in the State of Ohio" commented that he hadn't been before the Trustees in a while. The reason why is because everything is running smoothly. There aren't that many concerns. He just wanted everyone to understand that "we're watching, but we don't have anything to complain about." He commented that the "team" is doing an outstanding job. He had a question for Mike Wanamaker. He asked if there was any word about the area along Spring Valley Road, where Montgomery County was cutting away. Mr. Wanamaker indicated the contractor was waiting for Dayton Power & Light to move the utility poles.

Mr. Gibney expressed his concern about how narrow it was to go through there and his concern for safety. He had asked Mr. Wanamaker to see what he could find out about it.

Mrs. Young asked specifically where his concern was. Ms. Lightle indicated it was the Enclave development in the Rooks Road area, along Spring Valley Road.

Mr. Gibney was concerned that the project was put on hold because they ran out of money; but, as indicated above, it is an issue of moving utility poles. Mr. Wanamaker added that the County is keeping an eye on the erosion there.

OTA WINTER CONFERENCE

The Ohio Township Association's Winter Conference is being held from February 8 through February 11, 2012, in Columbus, Ohio.

It was moved by Mrs. Young, seconded by Mr. Paulson, that the Board authorizes expenditures for the elected officials to attend the OTA Winter Conference from February 8 through February 11, 2012, in Columbus, Ohio.

Vote on Motion: Young, aye; Paulson, aye; Berry, aye. M2011-243

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

- November 7 Pre-Meeting
- November 7 Regular Meeting
- November 14 Workshop

B. Finance – A motion approving the following:

- Check Register dated November 21, 2011, in the amount of \$182,109.70, said amount having been certified and appropriated.
- Rec Refund Check Register dated November 18, 2011, in the amount of \$103.00, said amount having been certified and appropriated.
- Special Check Register dated November 16, 2011, in the amount of \$31,103.61, said amount having been certified and appropriated.

Finance – A motion approving appropriation transfers attached as Exhibit A.

Finance - A motion to approve a resolution declaring items to be surplus property, to be sold through GovDeals.

C. Fire – A motion to approve additional funds for payment to Med3000 to cover costs of EMS billing fees through the end of 2011 for a total cost of approximately \$25,000.

D. Public Works – A motion to approve the purchase of a document copier from State Bid Contract #800054, from Ricoh Americas Corporation, for the total cost of approximately \$3,731.

Public Works – A motion to approve the purchase of up to 3,500 tons of road salt from Cargill Salt Co., from the Southwestern Ohio Purchasing for Government Program, for the total cost of approximately \$225,260.

E. Recreation – A motion to purchase a new security system for the Rec Center from KAS Cable for a total cost of approximately \$7,376.

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. M2011-244

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

POLICE

The Township receives various requests throughout the year to assist organizations by providing additional police protection for their community event. Additional costs above routine police costs are incurred by providing the extra police protection. An agreement has been written enabling the Township to enter into a contract with an outside party for additional police protection.

It was moved by Mrs. Young, seconded by Mr. Paulson, that the Board approves an agreement to request additional police protection and authorizes the Township Administrator to enter into those contracts.

Vote on Motion: Young, aye; Paulson, aye; Berry, aye. M2011-245

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Lightle thanked the Public Works department. The leaf season is going very well. Residents seem to be very happy with the service and the Township has received very few complaints.

Ms. Lightle announced that Township offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 24th and November 25th.

Ms. Lightle also announced that on Friday, December 2nd, Woodland Lights begins. She gave a special thanks to the Fire department who was called in at the last minute to deliver Santa on a fire engine when the horse and carriage had to cancel because of inclement weather at the Holiday Walk in downtown Centerville.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Mrs. Young commented how wonderful it is to be representing Washington Township when going to meetings. She was at the first Suburbs meeting when she was approached by Lou Wilcox, who is chief of the German Township Board of Trustees. He thanked her for the portable radios that Washington Township had donated for their police department. She read the letter that he wrote to the Township. She went on to say, the next night, she was at the Montgomery County Township Association meeting. She ran into Paul Gruner, the new County Engineer, there. He thanked her for the excellent leaf collection service and said he had never seen leaf collectors move so fast. Also at that meeting were representatives from the Ohio Cemetery Association who came up to her to congratulate her and thank her for the wonderful job that the Public Works department does.

Mr. Paulson stated he attended a very touching Veteran's Day ceremony a couple of weeks ago in Centerville. As always, it was a very nice event. He also reported that he and his daughter attended "Pinkalicious." He commented that Town Hall does a fantastic job on their plays. He then reported that he attended the South Metro Chamber of Commerce Board meeting last week.

Mr. Berry indicated the Montgomery County Land Bank Commission had a meeting on November 8th and a meeting all afternoon on November 10th, which was a joint meeting with people from some financial institutions. He indicated he really enjoyed it and learned a lot. He indicated all of the Trustees are appreciative of the Arts in Dayton, Ohio; the Norman Rockwell Exhibition at the Dayton Arts Institute is fabulous. He spent the entire evening there on November 10th. He indicated that he, too, was fortunate to be able to attend the Veteran's Day ceremony on November 11th. Clay Township was the host at the Montgomery County Township Association meeting in Brookville. He was pleased to announce that Tom Zobrist gracefully accepted the position as president of that organization for the coming year. He will be serving for his third year in a row. Mr. Berry indicated that he, his granddaughter, and one of her friends went to the Holiday Walk in the rain. They went to Town Hall and saw a very convincing Santa Claus and went downstairs where they made ornaments. He indicated it was a good time and what a shame it was that the weather did not cooperate so that the attendance would have been better.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:57 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