

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



BROWN TOWNSHIP REGULAR SESSION

Held: August 15, 2016

The Trustees convened in regular session on Monday, August 15, 2016 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:06 p.m. in the second floor meeting room at 2491 Walker Rd Hilliard, Ohio 43026. Chair Gary Dever called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Ms. Pamela Sayre	Present	Mr. Joseph Martin	Present
Mr. Gary Dever	Present	Mr. Gregory Ruwe	Present

Also in attendance:

Ms. Elizabeth Clark (Executive Asst. to the Trustees) and Ms. Barbara Hoover (Clerical Asst. to the Trustees.)

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the Minutes of the July 18, 2016 Regular Session and the Special Meeting held on August 08, 2016. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

Fiscal Actions

Bills were presented for payment. Trustee Sayre made a motion to approve the payment of bills. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

The Trustees previously reviewed the August 2016 payroll report. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the payroll report. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

The Trustees previously reviewed the bank reconciliation and the supporting financial reports for the month of July 2016. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the bank reconciliation. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

Franklin County Sheriff Report

Deputy Sheriff Alena Griffin was in attendance. Many residents of Davis Rd. were in attendance along with representatives of the Brown Township Block Watch. Deputy Griffin was aware of the concern over recent break-ins and thefts in the Davis Rd. area and other sections of Brown Township. The residents wanted to be better informed of such activities in their area. Deputy Griffin provided information regarding a public access website that provides Alert ID information regarding crime in neighborhood areas: raidsonline.com. She also mentioned nextdoor.com as a source of neighborhood news in general including crime activity. Deputy Griffin referenced the social media FCSO Facebook and Twitter pages. When asked about obtaining printed reports of Brown Township activity, Deputy Griffin stated that that information would have to come from Crime Analyst Beverly Huff. A discussion was held by the Trustees, residents and Deputy Griffin regarding improving communication links between Brown Township and the FCSO. Trustee Martin agreed to meet with the Brown Township Block Watch volunteers to discuss possible improvements. He will report back to the Board at the September meeting.

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Norwich Fire Department Report

Fire Chief Jeff Warren and Assistant Fire Chief Greg Young were present at the meeting. Chief Warren presented the Incidents by Jurisdiction report for July 2016 in a new format. During July 2016, there were (27) EMS runs and (9) Fire runs in Brown Township. Chief Warren noted that the runs in Brown Township are trending up, partly due to seasonal trends. Assistant Chief Young made a presentation regarding maintenance of the generator for Station 82. After discussion of the items noted by W.W. Williams (company servicing the generator), it was decided that the belts and hoses should be replaced at the next preventive maintenance service in the fall. Assistant Chief Young said that the NTFD will purchase and replace the battery in the future. The current battery is still well within its life cycle.

Beth Clark's Report (Submitted)

Central Ohio Greenways Draft Plan

Central Ohio Greenways, a loose association of central Ohio trail builders and enthusiasts, has produced a Central Ohio Greenways Draft Plan that includes some proposed greenway connectors in Brown Township – one, which includes a bikeway, along the general alignment of Patterson Road connecting Hilliard to Metro Parks property and trail connections on private property on the creek side of Amity Road intended to connect Metro Parks greenways. Comments are being sought on the draft plan. A resolution has been prepared on this matter which requests that future consideration of greenways trails in Brown Township begin with a public discussion at a regular meeting of the Brown Township Board of Trustees.

3508 Walker Road

Staff members of the Franklin County Planning Department met recently with representatives of the property at 3508 Walker Road to discuss requirements for rezoning the property to accommodate religious, residential, educational, retail, and agricultural uses. The representatives indicated no particular timeline. It is the staff's view that the representatives have a significant amount of work to do before they would be ready to proceed.

Fall Newsletter

Topics for the Fall newsletter so far include:

- distracted driving (no room in Summer issue)
- concealed carry permit requirements
- sheriff's deputies beginning to carry narcan (reverses symptoms of an opioid overdose); tie-in with NTFD?

Other story ideas are needed.

Executive Assistant Clark also led a short discussion of Walker Rd. zoning issues.

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Scheduled Agenda Items:

None scheduled.

Audience Participation:

Hilliard City Council member Les Carrier was present and made a presentation regarding his desire to see cooperation between Hilliard and Brown Township on issues impacting current and future development in areas of Brown Township. He expressed his wish to open channels of communication between all parties, including developers and residents. The Trustees discussed the Big Darby Accord with Councilman Carrier. Mr. Carrier also spoke regarding the upcoming Hilliard School Levy.

Old Business:

Parking Lot Asphalt Sealing

Chemcote completed the parking lot sealing last month. There are areas of the parking lots in need of future repair due to surface cracks. Trustee Martin will oversee this project in future years.

Overgrown Lots

Trustee Dever made a courtesy call to the owners of a lot on the western portion of Patterson Rd. regarding weeds in need of mowing. The owners had the lot mowed and Trustee Dever reported a good outcome. Another residential lot on the eastern end of Patterson Rd. is also in need of mowing. The lot has recently been partially mowed. The Township will monitor the situation and make contact with the owners if needed.

Brown Township Web Site

Trustee Martin reported he has received two of the three bids he requested to update the Brown Township website. He will present the results of the bids at our September meeting.

HVAV System Repairs/Replacement

Fiscal Officer Ruwe reported that Atlas Butler replaced the HVAC system for the Township Administrative offices in July. The new system is working well.

New Business:

Resolution 6-2016 (08-15), Regarding Greenway Trails

Recently, a draft proposed Central Ohio Greenways Plan and map was released containing proposed greenways/bikeway trails along Patterson Road and across Amity Road private properties in Brown Township. The draft was prepared without consultation with the Board of Trustees or residents of Brown Township. Executive Assistant Clark contacted the COGP staff for additional information. She then drafted Resolution 6-2016 stating that the Brown Township Board opposes any proposed greenways trail in Brown Township at this time, requests removal of the Brown Township portion of the COGP Plan/Map, and requests that any future consideration of this matter begin with a public discussion of such a proposal at a regular meeting of the Brown Township Board of Trustees. Trustee Martin moved for adoption of Resolution 6-2016. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Resolution 6-2016 (08-15) approved.

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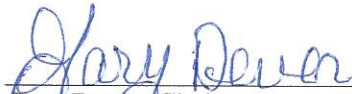


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Adjournment

With no further business, Chair Dever asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Sayre made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.



Gary Dever, Chair



Gregory Ruwe, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Trustees/ Fiscal Officer of Brown Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.