

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



BROWN TOWNSHIP REGULAR SESSION

Held: February 15, 2016

The Trustees convened in regular session on Monday, February 15, 2016 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:19 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 Sayre made a motion to approve the Minutes of the January 18, 2016 Regular Session meeting. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Martin: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

Fiscal Actions

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

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

Franklin County Sheriff Report

Not in attendance.

Norwich Fire Department Report

Battalion Chief Chris Grile and Lieutenant Steve Campbell were in attendance. Chief Grile presented the Incidents by Jurisdiction report. During January 2016, there were fourteen EMS runs and seven Fire runs in Brown Township. For the Year 2015, there were 160 EMS runs and 54 Fire runs in Brown Township. Chief Grile reported that the NTFD was awarded a grant through the OBWC to purchase enough Lucas CPR devices to equip all vehicles in the NTFD fleet. NTFD has also purchased enough thermal imaging cameras to equip all of the firefighters on the Fire Trucks. These cameras basically allow the firefighters to see through smoke. The cameras have already been especially useful on one recent fire run whereby a resident was rescued from a burning building.

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Beth Clark's Report (Submitted)

Tarlton Meadows

Hilliard's Planning & Zoning Commission met February 11 to hear the rezoning case for territory along Elliott Road, a proposed development called Tarlton Meadows. Hilliard staff did not recommend approval of the case, citing several concerns including density. In addition to presenting the proposal before the commission, the developer's representative commented on a recent neighborhood meeting and concerns about traffic raised by representatives of the Estates at Hoffman Farms. He then proposed an alternative roadway configuration intended to alleviate traffic in that area. That alternative had not been publicly available for review.

After about an hour of opponent testimony, the commission chair asked the applicant's representative to request a tabling of 30, 60, or 90 days. The representative selected a 30-day tabling and the case was scheduled to be heard again on March 10. The commission chair requested that the applicant's representatives reach out to neighbors and the township in an attempt to resolve differences.

Opponent testimony included concerns from Estates at Hoffman Farms residents about traffic and the loss of nearby open space; concerns from Brown Township residents about the proposal's inconsistency with the Big Darby Accord, density, traffic, stormwater, design, and proximity of a dense development to rural development; and concerns from the Board of Trustees about density, design, possibility of tax-increment financing, and Hilliard's approach to implementation of the Big Darby Accord.

I will maintain contact with Hilliard Planner John Talentino to determine when revised materials are available for public review. Two township residents provided email addresses to be kept apprised of updated information.

Coming Events:

- Big Darby Accord Working Group, March 18, 9 a.m., Lazarus Bldg. (tentative)

Scheduled Agenda Item:

Recognition of former Township Employee Gene Hicks

Mr. Hicks and his family were unfortunately not able to attend the meeting. The recognition ceremony will be held at next month's meeting on March 21, 2016.

Audience Participation:

Three residents were in attendance. One relatively new resident of the Township inquired as to any updates as to availability of high speed internet service from Time Warner. Trustee Sayre reported that she stays in contact with the Township's TWC government representative. Fiber optic cable has been installed in parts of the Township, but there is no information at this time regarding when service will become available to residents. Another resident inquired about any new information regarding the proposed purchase and development by a church group on a 58 acre parcel on Walker Rd. north of Davis. They reported that the property was surveyed again the prior week. Trustee Dever reported that the Ohio EPA approved the application package for waste water. He said that there are no approved plans for development by Franklin County Rural Zoning as of yet.

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Old Business:

Township Road Maintenance Update

Trustee Martin reported that he contacted Mark Mullenax at the Franklin County Engineer's office to see if price estimates were available for the 2016 resurfacing projects. Mr. Mullenax said that the bids from the contractors have yet to be received, but said he would try to have information available to us in May.

Resurfacing Township Parking Lots

Trustee Martin reported that he has no information to report regarding bids for sealing the Township parking lots.

New Business:

2016 Ohio Plan Insurance Premium

Fiscal Officer Ruwe reported that the premium for the entire Ohio Plan package (property and liability) was approximately sixty dollars higher than last year. The premium payment will be mailed after approval by the Trustees this evening.

Firearms Discharge Update

Information was recently received regarding damage from firearm discharges at a condominium complex near Hayden Run and Cosgray Roads. The residents of the complex were concerned that the discharges may be coming from property in Brown Township. The Trustees and Fiscal Officer looked into the matter and determined that the allegations, while alarming, are in all likelihood not Brown Township related. The President of the HOA has told the residents that the shots (which occurred in past years) probably came from Washington Township.

Wastewater System Update

The Township has entered into a service maintenance agreement with E.C. Babbert, Inc. for twice yearly inspections and servicing of the Firehouse aerator. The Babbert company will also be used for pumping the septic tank and grease separator in the future. Trustee Dever will contact Mike Eger of Eger's Trenching for assistance with following up with concerns raised during the recent inspection of the wastewater system by Franklin County Public Health.

Elliott Road Annexation Petition

The Township received notice date February 3, 2016 that a Type 2 Annexation Petition has been filed with the Franklin County Commissioners for a 127.5 acre tract of land on Elliott Road. This property consists of the Hill Farm.

Township Snow Plow Truck

Trustee Dever reported that he was contacted by Marion Township in Allen County regarding their interest in possibly purchasing the Township's 2011 International Truck when we are ready to trade it in. Marion Township purchased trucks from Brown Township in the past and wishes to continue the practice. Trustee Dever said that the status of the 2011 International will be evaluated next year for possible upgrade.

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ODOT Training Session

Trustee Martin stated that he is interested in attending an ODOT workshop on April 13, 2016 on Asphalt Pavement Preservation. Fiscal Officer Ruwe will submit the registration.

Adjournment

With no further business, Chair Dever asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Martin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Voting results: Sayre: Aye, Martin: Aye, Dever: Aye. The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 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.