

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



BROWN TOWNSHIP REGULAR SESSION

Held: June 16, 2014

The Trustees and the Fiscal Officer of Brown Township convened in regular session on Monday, May 19, 2014 from 7:00 P.M. to 9:22 P.M. in the second floor meeting room at 2491 Walker Rd Hilliard, Ohio 43026. Trustee Joseph Martin called the meeting to order with the following members present:

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

Also in attendance:

Ms. Elizabeth Clark (Executive Assistant to the Trustees) and Ms. Barbara Hoover (Asst. to the Fiscal Officer).

Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the Minutes of the May 19, 2014 Regular Session and the Special Meeting Minutes from May 28, 2014 and June 09, 2014. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye, Martin: aye. Motion approved.

Fiscal Actions

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

The Trustees previously reviewed the June 2014 payroll report. Trustee Sayre made a motion to approve the payroll report. Trustee Dever seconded the motion. Voting results: Dever: aye, Martin: aye, Sayre: aye. Motion approved.

The Trustees previously reviewed the bank reconciliation and the supporting reports for the month of May 2014. Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the bank reconciliation. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Dever: aye, Martin: aye, Sayre: aye. Motion approved.

Norwich Fire Department Report

The NTFD had a scheduling conflict today and were not able to attend.

Franklin County Sheriff Report

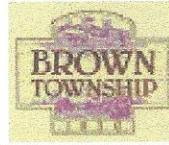
Deputy Cora Brunotte sent an email on this date stating the FCSO would be unable to attend this evening.

Beth Clark's Report (Submitted)

Town Center Implementation

The Town Center implementation consultant group continues to work on a preliminary engineering report designed to provide specific recommendations concerning drinking water and wastewater services and facilities for the Town Center. Work also continues on property acquisition with meetings scheduled with property

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owners. The consultants have also provided briefings to local environmental group stakeholders and regulatory agencies.

Big Darby Accord Advisory Panel

The Panel met on June 10 to hear a rezoning case in the City of Columbus. Prairie Township owns the property and proposes construction of a sports complex on about 110 acres on Galloway Road. The property was previously zoned in a traditional neighborhood development classification and was intended for residential construction. The Panel recommended approval of the proposal with several conditions involving protection and preservation of wetlands and storm water quality. The case will be heard by the Columbus Development Commission and Columbus City Council.

Conservation Development Regulations

Representatives of Franklin County, City of Columbus, Prairie Township, and Brown Township met on May 23 to begin an intensive discussion of density in conservation developments, the objective of which is to present policymakers with a recommended approach. Another discussion is scheduled for June 20. Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Director Jim Shimmer has indicated he will add an additional upper level staff person this summer to beef up Franklin County's commitment to Big Darby Accord implementation, specifically conservation development regulations.

Coming Events:

- Big Darby Working Group, 9 a.m., June 20, Lazarus Bldg.

Scheduled Agenda Item: 8215 Morris Rd. – Right of Way Tree Removal

There are six dying ash trees in the right of way at 8215 Morris Rd. which pose a potential hazard to road traffic. The resident submitted a bid for tree work at the property which contains a separate line item for removing the six trees in the right of way. Trustee Dever made a motion to allow the resident's tree company to remove the trees as the cost (\$1,280) is appropriate. The Township will reimburse the resident for this amount. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye, Martin: aye. Motion approved.

Audience Participation:

A resident was in attendance who wished to discuss the applicability of establishing a Fire District to include Norwich Twp., Hilliard, and Brown Twp. The concept was discussed in some detail.

A resident from Patterson Rd. spoke and addressed the concern of his wife and himself that the level of fire and EMS protection that the Township now experiences with the NTFD not be diminished when the fire levy issue is resolved. In particular, the residents do not wish to experience an increase in the response time to emergencies in Brown Township or the capabilities of the responders. The resident stated that having the current Station 82 staffed versus not having it staffed represents two entirely different safety issue levels. The resident then provided his suggestion for a minimum level of service. The specifics of this request are contained in the Motion involving "Baseline Minimum Service Requirements" below.

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Old Business:

2015 Tax Budget

Fiscal Officer Ruwe presented Resolution 5-2014, 2015 Tax Budget. The details of the Budget were discussed in a Special Meeting on June 9, 2014. Officer Ruwe reported that the additional \$20,000 in Gasoline Tax expenditures were inserted as discussed. Trustee Sayre made a motion to adopt Resolution 5-2014. Trustee Dever seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye, Martin: aye. Resolution 5-2014 approved.

Franklin County Engineer's quote for Crack Sealing

Trustee Martin reported that the Franklin County Engineer will provide a specific quote for performing the crack fill repairs to several Brown Township roads as soon as they receive a copy of the Township Minutes whereby the motion accepting the first general quote was approved. Fiscal Officer Ruwe stated that the motion is contained in the Minutes of the May 19, 2014 Regular Session that were approved earlier this evening. Trustee Martin will submit the copy of the Minutes later this week.

New Business:

Resolution to protect options – Fire/EMS Levy

Fiscal Officer Ruwe informed the Board that the Brown Township Trustees must have all required paperwork in order and filed not later than the August 6, 2014 filing deadline if they decide to place a Fire Levy on the November 2014 ballot. In order to accomplish this, two Resolutions must be passed by the Trustees and a Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue must be obtained from the Franklin County Auditor. Fiscal Officer Ruwe recommended that in order to protect the ability to put a fire levy on in November, the Township should begin the Resolution process at this time. He then made a public reading of Resolution 6-2014, which declares the necessity for levying a 5.12 mill fire levy and requests certain information from the Franklin County Auditor. Trustee Dever made a motion to adopt Resolution 6-2014. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye, Martin: aye. Resolution 6-2014 approved.

Baseline Minimum Service Requirement

Trustee Sayre proposed the following motion:

Brown Township voters have the option to maintain the current level of fire and EMS protection as provided by the NTFD by passing an additional fire levy in November 2014. Therefore, I move that Brown Township pass a motion establishing a "Baseline Minimum Service Requirement" for any options under consideration that could not be reduced until if and when it is determined that additional fire levy funds will not be available after the November 4, 2014 election. This baseline will be used in evaluating all Fire/EMS protection proposals.

The minimum level of service would require that two pieces of safety equipment, a fire truck and an EMS vehicle, be based at the current Station 82 Fire Station at 2491 Walker Rd. Needed staffing to operate the two vehicles independently and simultaneously according to required regulations and training provisions is also required. The staffing must be provided 24 hours per day, seven days per week.

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The entity providing the services must also have additional equipment, vehicles and manpower that can be sent in support of emergency calls in Brown Township if needed. The entity must also be a party to a Mutual Aid agreement.

Additional requirements for each vehicle are as follows;

Fire Truck: Minimum water reserve: 1,000 gallons. Necessary equipment, drugs and supplies to respond to EMS runs using the fire truck.

EMS Vehicle: Staffing with the requisite number of paramedics. Provision of necessary equipment, drugs and medical supplies on the vehicle. An arrangement with a medical provider that allows for the administration of drugs and/or medical treatment by the paramedics if specified by said medical professional.

Trustee Dever seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye, Martin: aye. Motion approved.

Future Public Meeting

The Trustees held a discussion regarding the need to conduct a future Public Meeting in order to provide feedback to the community in response to the June 12th Public Meeting. Options include providing the feedback at the July 21st Regular Session Meeting and sharing more detailed responses and a decision at a later date. Notice to the community will be provided as soon as scheduling conflicts can be resolved.

Adjournment

With no further business, Chair Martin asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Sayre made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Dever seconded the motion.

Voting results: Ms. Pamela Sayre, Aye, Mr. Gary Dever, Aye, Mr. Joseph Martin, Aye. The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

FOR


Joseph Martin, 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.