

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



BROWN TOWNSHIP REGULAR SESSION

Held: April 15, 2013

The Trustees and the Fiscal Officer of Brown Township convened in regular session on Monday, April 15, 2013 from 7:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. in the second floor meeting room at 2491 Walker Rd Hilliard, Ohio 43026. Chair Ron Williams called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Mr. Ronald Williams	Present	Mr. Gary Dever	Present
Mr. Joseph Martin	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

Chair Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the Minutes of the March 18, 2013 Regular Session. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Dever: aye; Martin: aye, Williams: aye. Motion approved.

Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes from April 02, 2013. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Dever: aye; Martin: aye, Williams: aye. Motion approved.

Fiscal Actions

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

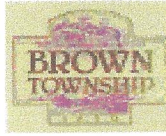
The Trustees previously reviewed the April 2013 payroll report. Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the payroll report. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Dever: aye; Martin: aye, Williams: aye. Motion approved.

The Trustees previously reviewed the bank reconciliation and the supporting reports for the month of March 2013. Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the bank reconciliation. Trustee Dever seconded the motion. Voting results: Dever: aye; Martin: aye, Williams: aye. Motion approved.

Norwich Fire Department Report

The firemen were called out on a run prior to the meeting. Lieutenant Aaron Johnston dropped off the monthly summary for March 2013 after the meeting. The report and supporting detail reflects that during the month, Station 82 (Brown Twp.) responded on sixteen EMS runs and two Fire runs.

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Franklin County Sheriff Report

Three representatives of the FCSO were in attendance and made a presentation: Deputy Sherard Pollard, Deputy Shawn Boyd, and civilian Dave Sterner. Mr. Sterner provided all in attendance with copies of the FCSO monthly newsletter. A discussion was held regarding coordination with Block Watches and community safety, including impact of the casino and the FCSO gang and drug programs. Deputy Pollard stressed that residents should not try to approach or follow suspected burglars or trespassers. He said to call the FCSO or 911 and let law enforcement handle the matter.

Beth Clark's Report (Submitted)

Brown Township Comprehensive Plan

At the request of the Working Committee and the Brown Township Trustees, Franklin County staff has arranged an Educational Session for the Working Committee with three experts to help members understand the nature and implications of draft policies under consideration. A Working Committee meeting will be held within a few days of that Educational Session. Staff planners have requested that the Trustees review and comment on a revised Planning Services Agreement and formalize changes in early May.

Big Darby Accord Implementation

- The Request for Proposals prepared by the City of Columbus and Prairie Township for a team of consultants to assist in Town Center implementation has been released with proposals due in the next few weeks.
- Preliminary discussions have been held with the City of Columbus concerning their position regarding creation of a sewer district to manage alternative wastewater treatment systems and oversee provision of sewer and water services to the Town Center and water to conservation developments. No response has yet been received.
- Franklin County has not yet retained a firm to provide legal services to implement the revenue agreement.

Open Space Advisory Council

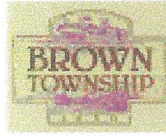
The Land Trust Subcommittee of the Open Space Advisory Council met on April 4 with representatives of Appalachia Ohio Alliance, a land conservancy serving central and Southeast Ohio. The purpose was to introduce AOA to the subcommittee and to begin to determine whether AOA can fill a gap in terms of holding open space in the Big Darby Accord area which may not fit within the mission of other local organizations, such as Metro Parks and Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District.

Coming Events:

- Big Darby Accord Working Group, April 24, 9 a.m., 150 S. Front St., FSL
- Big Darby Accord Advisory Panel, May 14, 1:30 p.m., 373 S. High St., 25th Floor, Meeting Room B

Trustee Martin inquired as to whether Brown Township should send a written reply to Franklin County Planner Lee Brown in reference to a comment that he made concerning funding of the Planning Services Agreement. Beth Clark said that she will prepare a written response for review addressing the comment.

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Audience Participation:

Norwich Township resident Kyle Kime and his wife, who live at 3100 Alton Darby Creek Road were in attendance and raised an issue. They stated that the property at 3017 Alton Darby Creek Road contains old, abandoned buildings at the end of a long lane. They reported that the property is frequently being visited by groups of young people. They noted that the property backs into the Bradley High School ball fields. The Kimes have been trying to determine if the property is in Hilliard, Brown Township or Columbus. Trustee Dever stated that the property and the drive are in the City of Hilliard. Trustee Dever provided additional information regarding the history of the property. The representatives of the FCSO were still in attendance and said that they will help look into the matter.

Old Business:

Repair of Township Fence

Fiscal Officer Ruwe reported that Yoders Vinyl Fencing submitted a quote to repair the damage to the fence in front of the firehouse for \$673.00 (Labor & Materials). Trustee Dever made a motion to accept the proposal. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Dever: aye; Martin: aye, Williams: aye. Motion approved.

New Business:

Reported Drainage Issue – 8300 Roberts Road

Trustee Dever reported that he has looked into the drainage situation as described in a letter to the Township by resident Kevin Wilgus. He said that Brady from Franklin County Drainage said that he would visit the location and see if he can identify the drainage issues. The poor drainage lies between Roberts Rd. (County Rd.) and Adams Lane (private road). Fiscal Officer Ruwe said that he will contact Mr. Wilgus and provide an update.

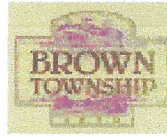
Landscape Maintenance Contract

Fiscal Officer Ruwe presented a proposal from Creative Spaces to provide landscape maintenance services for the Township property again this year for a total price of \$3,811.00. Trustee Dever made a motion to accept the proposal. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Dever: aye; Martin: aye, Williams: aye. Motion approved.

Heritage Trail Dog Park

It was decided that Brown Township would not make a donation for a brick for the Heritage Trail Dog Park.

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Township Audit

Fiscal Officer Ruwe reported that Amanda Altier from Perry & Associates CPAs started her audit of the Brown Township fiscal years 2011 and 2012 on April 09. The bi-annual is required by state law. Conflict of Interest forms were completed by all four officers as requested by the auditors.

Town Center Project

Trustee Joe Martin moved to authorize a one-time expenditure of up to \$10,000 for the purpose of joining a participation agreement currently funded by the City of Columbus and Prairie Township to further implementation of the Big Darby Accord Town Center Master Plan. The motion is further described in Resolution No. 3-2013 (04-15), which was openly read. Trustee Dever seconded the motion. Voting results: Dever: aye; Martin: aye, Williams: aye. Resolution No. 3-2013 (04-15) approved.

Purchase of Mowing Equipment

Trustee Dever reported that township employee Gene Hicks has requested that the township purchase a trim mower and a string trimmer to use on the township grounds and along the roads. Trustee Dever made a motion to purchase the mower and trimmer from Hilliard Lawn & Garden. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. Voting results: Dever: aye; Martin: aye, Williams: aye. Motion approved.

Adjournment

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

Votes were: Mr. Gary Dever, Aye; Mr. Joseph Martin, Aye; Mr. Ronald Williams, Aye. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.


Mr. Ronald Williams, Chair


Mr. 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.