

YORK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting

May 24, 2007

Chairman Jane Weiland called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. She led the pledge of allegiance.

Moved by Monroe, second by Conley to approve the April 26, 2007 regular meeting minutes. Roll: Monroe, yes; Conley, yes; Weiland.

Visitors:

- Mark Goffinet, Co. Auditor's Office: Mark wanted to remind residents of the possibility of property tax relief if they sustain structural damage from storms or fire. The forms are on the website. On behalf of the Auditor's Office, they want thank all of the veterans.
- Don Weiland – Jane and I did go to the cemetery restoration seminar this month. He had a copy of info for the trustees. There is special mortar and epoxy used. Don feels confident that he would be able to do this work. Don cleaned a half dozen stones today that turned out nice. The person that put on the seminar is the only person the state of Indiana hires to work on their stones.

Moved by Conley, second by Monroe for Don Weiland to work on some of the stones for trustee approval before working on more of them. Roll: Conley, yes; Monroe, yes; Weiland, abstain.

- Ben Gale from Shale Creek was present regarding a fence made of mesh for the driving range. It is for the safety of the motorists. The fence would be 450' x 10' and off the right-of-way.

Moved by Monroe, second by Weiland to approve the fence made of mesh along Wolff Road for the driving range. This will be for the safety of the motorists and neighbors. Roll: Monroe, yes; Weiland, yes; Conley, yes.

- Ben also presented info on the pool and pool building. While George Smerigan had already approved it, we now have to move it about 40' back further off the road. There is nothing changing except the distance from the road.
- Ben also had info on another sign they would like to put out. It would be made of stone that was backlit. It would be at Marks and Wolff Roads. It would be embedded in the hillside out of the right-of-way.

Moved by Conley, second by Monroe to approve the landscape plan with the stone sign and backlit lighting as presented. Roll: Conley, yes; Monroe, yes; Weiland, yes.

REPORTS:

Fire Department:

- Ken gave the report for the past month to the trustees. The most interesting call was the one to look at dynamite that was estimated to be 60 – 70 years old and confirm it would not go off.
- The department wants to thank the trustees for their support at the Mock Crash at the school. A lot of time was spent in the planning. There were only positive comments made.
- The department also wants to thank Richard and Irene Hill as well as Wolff Brothers for the Spieth Road house for training. There were 42 firefighters present from 4 different departments.
- On June 1st, there will be a siren class at the Litchfield Fire Station that Ken and Rick are going to attend. Their sirens are triggered by a computer.

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- Ken finished a fire investigator class yesterday.
- There are 9 more members to be sworn in tonight leaving 2 remaining who are out of town tonight. They will be sworn in at a later time. Rick Monroe swore in the members.

Zoning:

- Ed Noble's split at Shale Creek was given to the trustees May 9th. George Smerigan hasn't had a chance to write up the review. At first glance, it appears to be ok.

Moved by Conley, second by Monroe to approve the Shale Creek Subdivision Phase 2 Replat 2 creating lots 103 through 114 inclusive known as the Sanctuary at Shale Creek as presented contingent upon approval from George Smerigan. Roll: Conley, yes; Monroe, yes; Weiland, yes.

- Dorothy gave her zoning report verbally. She reviewed the status of various zoning violations.
- Tony Brooks is building a new barn and we had a public hearing for this. He was given a variance so it could be placed 5' from the property line. He has a shed that he's moving and will now need a variance for that one since it will be 7' from the property line. He did not bring that up at the public hearing. Another public hearing will have to be held. Colene told him that she would ask the other trustees to see if instead of the \$400 fee, he could be charged the cost of the legal ads and notification mailing costs. The Appeals Board will be meeting for something else so therefore the cost of the members would already be covered.

Moved by Conley, second by Monroe for Tony Brooks to pay the cost of the legal ad and postage for the notification of the variance hearing for his shed. Roll: Conley, yes; Monroe, yes; Weiland, yes.

Visitors cont'd:

- Richard Hill wanted to thank Dorothy and Jane for updating the veteran list. Richard will read the list on Sunday. Richard also asked for confirmation that the Keswick Plantings were out of the right-of-way, which they are.

Trustees:

Rick Monroe:

- Jane and I attended a seminar on May 10th on Snow/Ice Technologies. It wasn't for us; it was geared toward the county and larger entities. They talked a lot about brine. One of the townships pays farmers to leave 10 rows of corn to act as a windbreak to cut down on the snow plowing. That wouldn't work here since we don't have a lot of active farmers.
- Received a call from Bob Sinek, Stone Road, regarding a 45 mph sign being missing. Jane said there are 5 missing, but doesn't know that there were 5 up originally. Bob was also wondering if there was anything we could do since the people don't pay attention to them.
- Treehouse removed and replaced the mulch at the Complex and Cemetery.
- The Town Hall doors are completed by Bent Nail. The hardware for them is being shipped from Connecticut tomorrow and then he will install them. Tim Waddle has agreed to finish the doors. He will be giving an estimate to Rick.
- Rick has received several comments from residents that received the newsletter for the first time since it was mailed this time and they don't receive the Gazette. They were all positive comments.

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- Per the smoking law last fall, all the buildings have the no smoking signs up.
- We received information on a Kohler player piano that Pat Rinner would like to donate to the township for our Town Hall. It has 54 rolls and still works. It may have to be tuned after moving. The minimum cost to move it would be approximately \$279.
- The flooding issue on S.R. 57 – we have a meeting set up with Mike Salay on Thursday, May 31st at 9:00 a.m. at S.R. 57. Kimberly and Tim Farley from ODOT will be present. Mike also asked for a representative from the fire department to be present. Colene would like Rick to ask about getting a 4-way stop at Spieth and Columbia like is going up at Grafton and Columbia.
- The fire inspection issues have been taken care of at the Complex.

Colene Conley:

- The letter was sent to Mrs. Helen Orth-Stone regarding tearing down the house.
- The grant for the park has been submitted as well as the sidewalk grant.
- Jim Troike will be looking at the Mandrych's property for their waterline. Due to the amount of shale, it couldn't be bored, but could be laid in the bottom as the culvert is being replaced.
- David Graycon, Bohning & Associates – Spieth Road trees will be approximately 6' across at the base and the trunks will be 4-6" in diameter. The retention basins for Keswick Phase I are ok too. Andy Conrad, Co. Engineer's Office suggested the tree not be put in the emergency overflow. The trustees are ok with the tree staying.

Moved by Conley, second by Weiland to approve proposed landscape plan dated 3-13-2007 for the trees and pond along Spieth Road. The locations of the various ponds within the Keswick Subdivision Phase I are acceptable as previously approved and as they have been constructed, subject to satisfactory completion of the proposed landscaping. Roll: Conley, yes; Weiland, yes; Monroe, yes.

- There are some berming issues that need to be addressed.

Jane Weiland:

- The newsletter cost \$896 to print 1300 and do the mailing service. There are some people on the list did not receive the newsletter. Jane has talked to the post office. Dorothy suggested looking at another printer since there were poor communication responses with him. The majority of the people who complained about not receiving them did eventually receive them. Another suggestion was to send it first class.
- Several people stated they would like to help with the tallying of the survey responses. We'll work on them on Wednesday, June 20th at 6:30 p.m.
- On May 9th, Jane got a report from the Sheriff's Dept. that vandals had unscrewed the veteran markers from the brass rods. For the most part, the markers were left at the proper gravesites. The Veteran's Office will replace the rods at \$3 each.
- I want to thank Jeff and Mary Jane Allen for working on the flag brackets and the fire department put up the flags.
- The Historical Society was chosen as a stop on the Fall Foliage Tour, It is from 12 – 6 on both Saturday and Sunday.
- The Historical Society yard sale is June 23rd. If you want to rent space, that would be great. There are currently 4 vendors.
- Ohio Edison is going to rearrange their rates with increasing some and decreasing others.

Fiscal Officer:

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Moved by Monroe, second by Conley to approve Resolution #07-05-01:

RESOLUTION FINDING THAT PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND WELFARE
REQUIRES THE VERTICAL RE-ALIGNMENT OF THE APPROACHES
TO THE CSX RAILROAD CROSSING ON WOLFF ROAD (T.H. 94),
WEST OF COLUMBIA ROAD, IN YORK TOWNSHIP, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO

WHEREAS, the Medina County Engineer has prepared and filed copies of the surveys, plans, profiles, cross-sections, estimates of costs and specifications for the vertical re-alignment of the approaches to the CSX Railroad Crossing on Wolff Road, immediately west of Columbia Road; and

WHEREAS, Section 5555.06 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes the Board of Trustees by unanimous vote to find that public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of a public road, or part thereof, by grading, draining, paving, straightening, widening such road, and constructing or reconstructing any bridges and culverts necessary for such improvements; and

WHEREAS, a presentation by the County Engineer on June 4, 2007, at 10:30 a.m, to the Trustees and open to the public, will clearly indicate the need for the vertical re-alignment of the section of Wolff Road; and

WHEREAS, Section 5555.43 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes the Board of Trustees by unanimous vote to order that all costs of such a construction project be paid out of any tax levies for road purposes on the grand duplicate of the County, or out of any road improvement funds available therefore; and

WHEREAS, the County Engineer has advised that there are road improvement funds available for such improvement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of York Township, Medina County, Ohio, that:

- A. This Board unanimously finds that public convenience and welfare requires the vertical re-alignment of the approaches to the CSX Railroad Crossing on Wolff Road.
- B. This Board unanimously votes that the costs of said improvement be paid for from appropriate road improvement funds.
- C. The County Engineer is hereby ordered to immediately file with this Board, the previously-prepared surveys, plans, profiles, cross-sections, estimates of costs and specifications for the improvement herein.

Roll: Monroe, yes; Conley, yes; Weiland, yes.

Moved by Weiland, second by Conley to approve Resolution #07-05-02:

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MEDINA COUNTY ENGINEER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE VERTICAL RE-ALIGNMENT OF THE APPROACHES TO THE CSX RAILROAD CROSSING ON WOLFF ROAD (T.H. 94), WEST OF COLUMBIA ROAD, IN YORK TOWNSHIP, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO

WHEREAS, the Medina County Engineer finds it necessary to improve the approaches to the CSX Railroad Crossing on Wolff Road, immediately west of Columbian Road, in York Township, Medina County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of said improvement will be in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has deemed it to be in the best interest of the people of York Township, Medina County to provide said improvement through the adoption of Resolution No. 07-05-01.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of York Township, Medina County, Ohio, that the Medina County Engineer be, and is hereby authorized to advertise for bids for the improvement of the approaches to the CSX Railroad Crossing on Wolff Road (T.H. 94), in York Township, Medina County, Ohio.

Roll: Weiland, yes; Conley, yes; Monroe, yes.

Moved by Monroe, second by Weiland to approve Resolution #07-05-03 to transfer \$5,000 from the General Fund to the Cemetery Fund. Roll: Monroe, yes; Weiland, yes; Conley, yes.

Moved by Conley, second by Weiland to set the FY08 tax budget hearing for Thursday, June 28, 2007 at 6:15 p.m. Roll: Conley, yes; Weiland, yes; Monroe, yes.

Moved by Monroe, second by Weiland to approve financial reports as presented for April – fund summary, revenue status and appropriation status. Roll: Monroe, yes; Weiland, yes; Conley, yes.

Moved by Weiland, second by Monroe to approve the amendments in appropriations as follows:

Cemetery Fund: Purch. Svcs.	\$1,145.00
EMS Grant: Purch. Svcs.	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total:	<u>\$2,645.00</u>

Roll: Weiland, yes; Monroe, yes; Conley, yes.

Correspondence:

- The Chamberlink – May newsletter
- Medina Co. Historical Society – May/June newsletter
- LifeForce Management – NPI Number Info (given to LifeForce)
- Lorain Co. Engineer – OPWC District 9, Round 22 Applications
- OPERS – Employer Notice on ECS
- Lorain Co. Engineer – OPWC District 9, Executive Committee Meeting
- Grassroots Clippings – May newsletter
- Medina Co. Prosecutor – Governmental Contracts

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Ohio Medicaid Update – Spring newsletter
Ohio Edison – Rate Info
Medina Co. Commissioners – Resolution for Beck Rd. Bridge Replacement
NEO/SO – Purchasing Info
NOTA – May 31st meeting
Lorain Co. Engineer – OPWC District 9, Round 22 Applications
Ohio Dept. of Commerce – Training Grant Award of \$1,050
Safety Comm Solutions – Pipeline Training
Attorney General – H.B. 694

Moved by Weiland, second by Monroe to approve the payment of the payroll and bills (item A). Roll: Weiland, yes; Monroe, yes; Conley, yes.

Moved by Weiland, second by Monroe to adjourn at 9:21 p.m. Roll: Weiland, yes; Monroe, yes; Conley, yes.

Jane Weiland, Chairman

Beverly Fry, Fiscal Officer

				ITEM A
Warrant Number	Date	Vendor/Payee		Amount
E00103	5/24/2007	Kenneth Barrett		655.73
E00104	5/24/2007	Colene S. Conley		794.47
E00105	5/24/2007	Dorothy A. Crouch		2,472.45
E00106	5/24/2007	William J. Crouch		238.19
E00107	5/24/2007	Beverly E. Fry		1,146.70
E00108	5/24/2007	Mary E. Lenarth		340.34
E00109	5/24/2007	Richard M. Monroe		794.47
E00110	5/24/2007	Jane A. Weiland		794.47
14521	5/24/2007	FirstMerit Bank		996.58
14522	5/24/2007	Ohio Department of Taxation		233.20
14523	5/24/2007	Public Employers Retirement System		2,162.50
14524	5/24/2007	Timothy J. Kettler dba		154.00
14525	5/24/2007	Akron, Health, Environmental & Computing		565.00
14526	5/24/2007	Albright Security		187.50
14527	5/24/2007	Allied Waste Services		204.70

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14528	5/24/2007	American Patriot Flags	106.31
14529	5/24/2007	American Tree Service	8,600.00
14530	5/24/2007	Arch Wireless	460.08
14531	5/24/2007	Barrett, Ken	8.45
14532	5/24/2007	Bound Tree Medical LLC	136.30
14533	5/24/2007	Columbia Gas	1,049.40
14534	5/24/2007	Conley, Colene	7.86
14535	5/24/2007	Creamer, John	69.90
14536	5/24/2007	Croston, Tom DBA	2,050.00
14537	5/24/2007	Delta Dental	124.40
14538	5/24/2007	D & G Uniform	145.75
14539	5/24/2007	Diversified Graphics, Inc.	192.44
14540	5/24/2007	FirstMerit Bank	77.77
14541	5/24/2007	Fry, Beverly	39.95
14542	5/24/2007	Life Force Management, Inc.	35.08
14543	5/24/2007	Medical Mutual of Ohio	2,771.15
14544	5/24/2007	Medina Co. Career Center	1,290.00
14545	5/24/2007	Medina Co. Engineer	1,074.81
14546	5/24/2007	Medina Co. Sanitary Engineer	9.00
14547	5/24/2007	Medina General Hospital	9,314.17
14548	5/24/2007	Office Max	299.94
14549	5/24/2007	Ohio Edison Co.	1,223.05
14550	5/24/2007	PowerNet Global Communications	37.31
14551	5/24/2007	Schaefer, Inc. Plumbing, Heating/Cooling	85.00
14552	5/24/2007	Staples	64.97
14553	5/24/2007	Sweet Lawns	854.00
14554	5/24/2007	TreeHouse LLC	3,266.43
14555	5/24/2007	United States Postmaster	44.52
14556	5/24/2007	Verizon North	289.71
14557	5/23/2007	Jessica Neal and Willie Schwinn	100.00
14558	5/23/2007	Joanie Winkler	100.00
Total:			<u>45,668.05</u>