

Etna Township Trustees Special Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

September 28,

2007

Held

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The Etna Township Board of Trustees met on Friday September 28, 2007 in the Etna Township Hall for the purpose of conducting a special meeting. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Knapp and the pledge of allegiance was recited. Roll call showed Mr. Burkholder, Mr. George, Mr. Knapp, and Laura Brown present.

Paul George moved to adopt the agenda. Dick Knapp seconded. Roll Call: Burkholder, yes; George, yes; and Knapp, yes;

Dick Knapp discussed the policy that was recommended by the Ohio Township Associations public records policy.

Resolution 07-09-28-01 Dick Knapp moved to adopt the Etna Township Public Records Policy. Paul George seconded. Roll Call: Paul George, yes; Dick Knapp, yes; and Gary Burkholder, yes. The employees reviewed and signed the acknowledgement of receipt of said policy.

Etna Township Departmental Meeting

Road Report – Todd Liston, Director of Transportation and Grounds with Southwest Licking Local School District discussed parking issues on South Street at the Kindergarten Center and flashing lights for the elementary school on Columbia Road.

Todd Liston requested a no parking sign on South Street where the buses are loading and unloading at the Kindergarten Center. They discussed options for the buses in regards to parking and the buses are blocking the traffic on South Street. Todd stated it is against state law to back up the buses on state property. Paul George stated they could pave the area and be able to pull the buses up closer to the building. Todd stated he discussed this option with the superintendent and there is a law regulating how close a bus can be parked to the building. Paul George would like the law regarding this. Paul George is concerned with the fire department being able to access South Street. Todd Liston stated the buses are not parking. They are there for five to seven minutes during loading unloading four times a day. Mike Waller has installed the no parking signs from Liberty Street East down to the alley and believes that alley is Dunlap. Mike suggested a resolution to be passed so a sticker can be placed on the sign. Paul George suggested restricted hours. Todd Liston suggested 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Paul George will follow-up and work with Todd Liston regarding this issue.

Mike Waller stated the township is not responsible for the lights on Taylor Road for the Reynoldsburg School. Paul George stated Reynoldsburg paid for the lights, installed them, and maintains them. Mike reported on the flashing lights on Watkins Road which is a county road. Tim Lollo emailed that the school purchased the lights and the county erected the signs and the county programs and maintains them. The board requested Paul George to coordinate with Todd Liston and Southwest Licking Schools and will report back to the board. Mike has requested from Kleem a quote for the signs and will get the information to Paul next week.

Mike Waller reviewed the road report. The two punch lists for Longwood Crossing and Deer Path will be addressed. There was discussion regarding the items on the punch list that need addressed. The punch list on the pond at Longwood needs to be forwarded to Jim Lenner. The bonds for the plots have been released for everything out of the right-of-way.

The paving is completed. Mike reported they have placed test strips by Watkins Road on Refugee Road so the township can compare the two processes. They will come back in the spring to show the township what the rejuvenator is doing for the road. Mike Waller stated it was recommended to strip in the first year, second year, and then every other or every third year. The striping is three years old and Mike recommends striping the road in the spring. Paul George is obtaining a quote to strip Tollgate Road.

The children play signs were discussed. Paul George will check with the Prosecutor's office regarding the sign. The speed limit signs need a resolution to be passed for the 25 mph signs in the platted subdivisions. It was discussed to list all the subdivisions and pass one resolution to cover them all.

There was a discussion regarding the storm drain in Willow Creek Condo's. Gary Burkholder would like to verify if the private roads have to meet county standards. Gary Burkholder will follow-up on this issue.

Mike presented equipment quotes for a back hoe, broom, boom mower, and chipper. Gary Burkholder stated the interest rates are low at this time. By purchasing a chipper the employees will not have to handle the brush multiple times. They will take a look at the items and report back.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

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~~Dick Knapp discussed the emerald ash borer. Paul George will contact him and do an inventory of the ash trees located in the township.~~

Zoning Report

Stan Robinson reported the township is waiting to see if the appeals on the Board of Zoning Appeals will be appealed to the next level regarding Wal-Mart.

Stan discussed the hourly charge for the formula regarding the zoning fees. Stan stated the Ohio revised code states it has to be reasonably related to the cost of inspection. Stan did not change the cost to an amendment in regards to variances etc. The Trustees asked for variable rates to be applied to the example. Stan discussed consolidating the residential districts. There should be one cost for a house whether is it in general business or residential district. The fee should be for the structure not for the district.

Secretary Report

The township needs temporary markers for the cemetery. These would be used while waiting for the family to provide a permanent marker. Mike Waller suggested the marker that is flat so it can be mowed over. This will be addressed at a regular meeting.

Laura Brown discussed purchasing another key for the flag at the park so it can be lowered and raised when needed. Currently Mike Waller has the only key and has to be called when the flag needs lowered. It was discussed what to do when the flag needs lowered on a holiday when the township employees are off for the holiday.

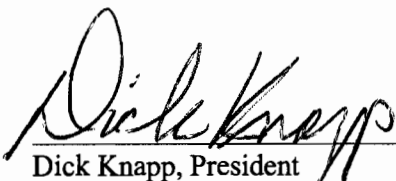
Public Comments – No public comments

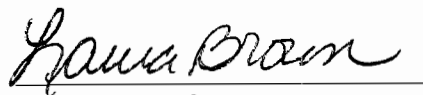
Dick Knapp moved to go into executive session per Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G) (2) to consider the sales of property at competitive bidding. Paul George seconded. Gary Burkholder, yes; Paul George, yes; and Dick Knapp, yes; motion passed 3-0.

Paul George moved to come out of the executive session. Gary Burkholder seconded. Paul George, yes; Dick Knapp, yes; and Gary Burkholder, yes; motion passed 3-0.

Dick Knapp will add this to the regular meeting agenda.

Paul George moved to adjourn. Gary Burkholder seconded. Passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.


Dick Knapp, President


Laura Brown, Secretary