# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Meeting

Etna Township Trustees Regular Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148		
	November 6,	2012
Held		20

The Etna Township Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, November 6, 2012 in the Etna Township Administration Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Carlisle. Jeff Johnson led the invocation and Jim Duffy led The Pledge of Allegiance. The roll call showed Trustees Jeff Johnson, John Carlisle, Randy Foor, and Fiscal Officer Walter Rogers present.

Trustee Johnson moved to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Trustee Foor moved to adopt the October 20, 2012 regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Johnson and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

#### **Public Comments -**

Laura Heckler of 11 Trevi Court discussed speeding in their development. The Licking County Sheriff did place the speed limit machine on the road but it did not help. She would like to have a speed bump installed on the road. Trustee Carlisle will contact the Licking County Sheriff's Department.

Judy Cafmeyer of 29 Roma Court discussed the Land Use Committee. Trustee Carlisle explained this committee would meet a few times a year to review the Comprehensive Plan and current zoning.

Jim Duffy of 27 Daisy Drive discussed the roads in Cumberland Trail and does not feel they need resurfaced at this time. Trustee Carlisle explained that the township was granted Issue I money to resurface them and there are areas of the road that are cracking. The township is being proactive on resurfacing. Trustee Carlisle discussed the township's Transportation Improvement Plan and how they apply for Issue I grant money. Jim Duffy requested that the township keep Jardin Manor on the township's plan.

Laura Heckler of 11 Trevi Court discussed the road condition of Mink Street. Trustee Carlisle explained that Mink Street was under the jurisdiction of Licking County and the City of Pataskala.

### Public Hearing -

Article 10 - Supplementary District Regulation - Section 1002 (B) Private Swimming Pools Trustee Carlisle opened the public hearing on Article 10 at 7:16 p.m.

Chris Harkness provided an overview of the text amendment. It is difficult for homeowners to place swimming pools in their backyards in the smaller lots such as Cumberland Trail. The text amendment is to add the word "front" which would read "It may not be closer than ten (10) feet to any property line or infringe upon any front yard setback". The Licking County Planning Commission recommended conditional approval. Sheds and other accessory structures are permitted closer to the setback lines.

Gary Burkholder of 254 Trail East discussed utility and drainage easements on properties which can cause additional hardships and would like regulations which prohibit structures in these easements.

Chris Harkness stated the Zoning Commission did discuss the recommendation from Licking County Planning Commission regarding water from the drained pool entering onto adjacent properties. The Zoning Commission did not recommend that condition in their approval. Most of the subdivisions are graded to drain to the property lines. Whether the pool was twenty feet or ten feet from the property line there could be issues. If this becomes an issue it can be handled under a different amendment. The Trustees discussed the issues with drainage from the pool.

Trustee Johnson moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Trustee Foor moved to table the Article 10 – Supplementary District Regulations until the November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Johnson and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

## Reports

Road Department – A written road report was presented. Trustee Carlisle discussed a request from the Orchard Glen Homeowner's Association requesting that the word stop and a white bar be painted at all stop signs and the speed limit for the roads be painted on the roads. Trustee Carlisle contacted the Licking County Sheriff's Department which recommended the township not do this. He also contacted the Licking County Engineer who stated there is no scientific data showing that these work and recommended not to do this. The Trustees discussed the request and determined they will go with the recommendations from Licking County and deny the request.

**Zoning Department – A written zoning report** was presented.

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Chris Harkness discussed the pet regulations and reviewed the draft text amendment. Chris Harkness would like the township to adopt a policy to provide clarification on what pets the township would like to allow. The township is receiving a number of calls requesting chickens and other animals. In some developments the deed restrictions will regulate the types of pets permitted.

Jim Duffy discussed noise concerns with some pets. Chris Harkness explained that the current draft does not address noise and the issue would be whether the township could enforce noise.

Judy Cafmeyer discussed 4H projects and the agriculture land within the township. Chris Harkness explained the Ohio Revised Code regulates agriculture for properties five acres or larger which are exempt from township zoning.

The Trustees would like the Zoning Commission to finish the pet regulations but to proceed with caution and protect the health and safety of the residents.

Chris Harkness presented information regarding the Humphries Area Rezoning. Chris Harkness spoke with ten of the twelve property owners and they supported the rezoning. The rezoning would fix the non-conforming uses by making them conforming uses which would benefit the property owners.

**Resolution 12-11-06-01:** Trustee Carlisle moved to initiate the process to amend the zoning map and rezone twelve parcels from M1 (Light Manufacturing) to GB (General Business). The twelve remitted parcels are as follows and are delineated on the proposed rezoning map as presented by Chris Harkness. The properties delineated on the proposed rezoning map: 133, 134, 149, 150, 165, 166, 181, and 182 Humphries Drive; 13375, 13431, and 13645 National Road; Main Street parcel number 010-016806-00.000. The motion was seconded by Trustee Johnson and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

**Resolution 12-11-06-02:** Trustee Foor moved that any member of our Etna Township Economic Development Committee be able to attend a training session at a cost of \$25.00 per guest. The motion was seconded by Trustee Johnson and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

The Etna Township Street Tree Policy was tabled until the November 17, 2012 meeting.

**MORPC** - Chris Harkness reported they are in waiting to confirm whether the township will be funded for the State Route 310 project.

**Economic Development** – Mark Schaff of 7461 National Road discussed the Workenomics Committee with Licking County and presented their website. Mark Schaff also presented a letter from the State of Ohio Department of Commerce (BUSTR) regarding cleaning up the pollution at US 40 and York Road, former BP site. Trustee Carlisle explained the options that are required depending on whether they are a Tier 3 or Tier 2.

JEDZ 1- The JEDZ1 Board will meet Friday at 9:00 a.m.

Water and Sewer - Gary Burkholder of 254 Trail East reported on the aquifer protection issue. The SWLCW&S District's Attorney has contacted the Licking County Prosecutor's Office regarding this issue. The District will request action from all three entities – Harrison Township, City of Pataskala, and Etna Township. The Village of Alexandria is now on hold while they get a quote from Johnstown about providing them water.

Gary Burkholder reported on the resolution that was passed 2-1 for pay increases of 2% for all employees but not board members with the only no vote casted by Gary Burkholder. The board had previously passed a resolution regarding the budget which did not include any pay raises. Harrison Township appointed Larry Kretzman to serve as their member on the SWLCW&S Board. The District is still working on supplying the water to the Kirkersville Elementary School. The district budget is based on a 500 thousand dollar estimate on tap fees and for 2012 they are around \$630,000 dollars. This makes the district to the good in the amount of \$133,000 dollars but the 2013 budget shows a \$300,000 dollar deficit. Gary Burkholder is not opposed of compensating the employees but the district is in financial straits. The district is using a \$2.5 million working capital of borrowed money. The 2% in raises is approximately \$18,000 dollars.

**Fire District** – Trustee Foor reported the public hearing for Chief Fulmer is complete and a decision should be made at their next meeting on Thursday evening. Station One on Broad Street is collecting bottled water, blankets, and canned food for the victims from Hurricane Sandy on the first floor lobby.

### **Old Business**

Land Use Committee – Trustee Carlisle reported that Mark Schaff and Claudette VanDyne, who had served on the Comprehensive Plan Committee, had requested to serve on this committee.

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Trustee Johnson stated he thought they would have a member from the Zoning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, Trustee, and Chris Harkness. Trustee Foor recommended adding a resident to serve as an At Large Member. This would make a five member committee.

Trustee Carlisle moved that the Land Use Committee be as follows: Jeff Johnson as the Trustee Representative, Chris Harkness, Mark Schaff of the Board of Zoning Appeals, Bob Essex of the Zoning Commission, and Judy Cafmeyer to serve as the At-Large member. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor. Discussion: The Trustees discussed having one person sitting on to many boards. The Trustees discussed whether a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals would have a conflict of interest serving on this board. Trustee Foor withdrew his second and Trustee Carlisle withdrew his motion. This item will be tabled and Trustee Carlisle will check on whether there is any conflict of interest for members serving on this board. Chris Harkness suggested changing the name to the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee which goes along with the Comprehensive Plan.

Cemetery Plotting – Chris Harkness reviewed the three quotes that were provided from Ackison Surveying at \$4,805.00, Benchmark Land Surveying at \$3,250.00, and Mr. Boeshart between \$8,050.00 and \$9,250.00. Mr. Boeshart is the company that completed the York Road Cemetery for Harrison Township. The township will have to purchase the caps.

**Resolution 12-11-06-03:** Trustee Johnson moved to accept Ackison Surveying at a lump sum price of \$4,805.00 dollars for 16 plots for the cemetery per his letter dated October 31, 2012. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

#### **New Business**

Trustee Carlisle moved to advertise for the Zoning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals Board appointments that are due January 2013, that it be advertised on the Etna Township Website only, and will be accepted until December the 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at which time we will go into executive session to interview. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

### **Fiscal Report**

Walter Rogers reported that at the next Trustees meeting he will have preliminary 2013 appropriation reports. He has met with Chris Harkness on the accounts that will need to be set up for the Taylor Road project. The Trustees discussed holding a special meeting on the 2013 appropriations in early December.

October 1, 2012

	Receipts	Expenditures
General Fund	6,249.28	30,657.11
MV License Tax	5,330.11	3,066.00
Gasoline Tax	9,251.80	2,864.68
Road & Bridge Fund	0.00	21,402.75
Cemetery	0.00	0.00
Special Assessment	0.00	13,375.08
Misc. Special	0.00	0.00
Misc. Debt	0.00	0.00
Road Right of Way Permit	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>48,000.00</u>
Total	\$107,368.53	\$61,700.22

Funds Total October 31, 2012 is \$1,697,647.65

Trustee Johnson moved to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Foor and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Trustee Foor moved to adjourn at 8:59 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Johnson and passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

John Carlisle, President

Walter Rogers, Fiscal Officer