



RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of ***NORWICH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES*** *Meeting*
5181 NORTHWEST PARKWAY, HILLIARD, OHIO
Held **July 2, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Larry Earman.

Roll Call - **Larry Earman, Chairman – Present**
Timothy Roberts, Vice-Chairman – Present
Charles Wm. Buck, Trustee – Present

Also Present - **Jamie Fisher, Township Administrator**
Jeff Warren, Fire Chief
Greg Young, Assistant Fire Chief
Lamar Sweigart, Bureau Chief
Robbie Thomas, Cemetery Sexton/Road Superintendent
Jamie Miles, Fiscal Officer

AGENDA ADDITIONS

Chief Warren requested to add a discussion of the mowing proposal.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

Approval of Trustee Meeting Minutes for 06/04/19

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Roberts, for the approval of the Norwich Township Trustee meeting minutes for the regular meeting on June 4, 2019.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman- Yes Roberts- Yes

Motion passed - #190702.03

Approval of Trustee Special Meeting Minutes for 06/04/19

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Roberts, for the approval of the Norwich Township Trustee meeting minutes for the special meeting on June 4, 2019.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman- Yes Roberts- Yes

Motion passed - #190702.04

Approval of Trustee Meeting Minutes for 06/18/19

Motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Buck, for the approval of the Norwich Township Trustee meeting minutes for the regular meeting on June 18, 2019.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman- Yes Roberts- Yes

Motion passed - #190702.05

Approval of Trustee Special Meeting Minutes for 06/18/19

Motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Buck, for the approval of the Norwich Township Trustee meeting minutes for the special meeting on June 18, 2019.

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman- Yes Roberts- Yes

Motion passed - #190702.06

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Fisher reported that the safety team is working to ensure a safe 4th of July. He thanked the fire department for their efforts and appreciates the collaboration. Mr. Buck reported that the poison ivy has been sprayed along the walkway and staff will be ready at Gate #3. Mr. Buck appreciates the efforts of the Township and City.



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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Warren reported that it is time to renew the three-year agreement with the Northwest Regional Emergency Communications Center (NRECC) for fire dispatching services. Chief Warren requested the Board to authorize him to execute the document which is for 2019, 2020, 2021. The Board agreed to renew. Mr. Buck asked if there was any capital money needed in the near future. Chief Warren was not aware of anything. Chief Fisher was not aware of anything related to the COIRS contract. Mr. Earman would like to understand what is driving the 5.9% increase. According to Chief Warren, Director Mosaic met with Director Somerville to negotiate a lower increase than was initially proposed and 5.9% was what was settled on. Mr. Buck doesn't understand why it would go up this much with Upper Arlington joining. He is concerned that we are paying for their services. Chief Warren doesn't believe that the Township is subsidizing anyone else. Mr. Earman stated that the formulary doesn't make sense. He further stated that if part of the reason for the increase is due to run increases, then everyone else's runs have to be up. Chief Warren will ask Director Sommerville to attend the July 16th Trustee Meeting to discuss the reason for the increase.

Chief Warren requested to enter into an agreement with Darby Creek Nursery & Landscaping for mowing services for 4224 Avery Road. The Board agreed with this request. Mrs. Miles asked if this was an open agreement or if there was a maximum for cost. Mr. Buck said it would last for as long as needed.

Chief Sweigart addressed the Board regarding the fire hydrants in Ridgewood that need to be replaced. Following discussions with representatives from the City of Columbus and Franklin County, Chief Sweigart was able to get his hands on a contract between the two agencies that establishes who is responsible for the maintenance and repair of the fire hydrants located within the Ridgewood Estates. Accordingly, the City of Columbus Sanitation and Sewer Division will be out to replace the fire hydrant on Darbyshire Drive that has been tagged as urgent. They will also make necessary repairs/replacements as needed. Chief Warren stated that to be clear there are some fire hydrants that are the Township's responsibility. Mr. Buck believes that fire hydrants should be maintained by those agencies who receive the related revenue.

Approval to Renew Dispatching Agreement

Motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Buck, to authorize Chief Warren to renew a three-year agreement with the Northwest Regional Emergency Communications Center (NRECC).

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes

Motion passed - #190702.07

CEMETERY & ROAD DEPARTMENT

Mr. Thomas requested approval of a grave buy back for Stephen and Pamela Storts. He reported that the new dump truck has been delivered to Gledhill for outfitting and should be ready in 4-5 weeks. Once the new dump truck is completed, Mr. Thomas plans to place the 2005 dump truck on Govdeals.com to sell.

Approval of Storts Grave Buy Back

Motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Buck, for the approval of a grave buy back requested by Stephen and Pamela Storts that was originally purchased on June 20, 2006 for \$500 (Block D, Lot 175, Grave 1).

Vote: Buck-Yes Earman-Yes Roberts-Yes

Motion passed - #190702.08



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FISCAL OFFICE – Nothing to report

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Earman asked for an update on the Darbyshire drop off access. Mrs. Fisher reported that she heard back from the resident most affected by the proposal to add a paved drop off lane. The resident is against the work and has asked not to move forward with the proposal. The resident plans to sell his home within a year and that may be an opportunity to revisit adding the paved lane. Mrs. Fisher recommends placing signage indicating that it is a drop off area. Mr. Earman stated to remove the parking signs on the southside of Darbyshire and to add new signs identifying the drop off area. The Board agreed.

TRUSTEE-OLD BUSINESS

TRUSTEE-NEW BUSINESS

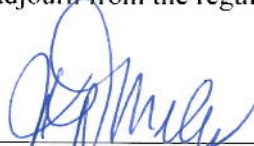
Mr. Thomas Rowe, Commander of the American Legion Post 614, asked the Township to help with the cost of moving the four flag poles from the old post site to the new post site. The approximate cost is \$1,600. Mr. Rowe expects the City to approve the variance to place the flags. He also confirmed that the City of Hilliard is paying to move the memorial. It was thought that the cost of moving the flags was to be included with moving the memorial but unfortunately this was coordinated with Butch Seidle and he is no longer with us. Mr. Buck believes he must abstain now that he knows of future plans. Mr. Earman recommended to table the item until the next meeting. The Board agreed.

Mr. Earman reported that the July joint governmental meeting was canceled. The next meeting is scheduled for August 9th and the second Friday of each month thereafter.

Motion by Mr. Buck, seconded by Mr. Roberts to adjourn from the regular meeting at 6:35 PM.
Vote: Buck- Yes Earman- Yes Roberts- Yes



Larry Earman, Chairman



Jamie Miles, Fiscal Officer