

MINUTES

CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

Held: February 20, 2007

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The Board of Trustees of Concord Township convened in regular session from 9:30 A.M. to 10:40 A.M. in the Township Hall. Bill Whidden called the meeting to order with the following members present: Robert Shook, Sue Campbell, and Bill Whidden. Road Superintendent Neil Rhoades and Fiscal Officer Patricia Quillen were also present. Visitors included: Miami County Sheriff Deputy Dave Elliott, Harry Harshbarger, Jack Estey, Jane Marker, John Soutar, Maurice Heffner, Jr., Pat Honeyman, and Tom Myers. Bill Whidden led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: Pat Quillen read the Minutes of February 6, 2007 and no changes were made.

Guests:

1. Deputy Elliott stated that Concord is one of the more quiet Townships in the County. He commended the staff on efficient snow removal, then invited questions and comments from the Trustees and audience. No specific issues were brought to his attention.
2. John Soutar (76 Boone Drive) was also pleased with the recent snow removal. He came to say that, based on his personal experience in business, he was not in favor of the purchase of the Hine Building.
3. Pat Honeyman (2645 Peebles Road) restated her opposition to the Hine Building purchase and rebuked Bill Whidden and Bob Shook for what she perceived as their "bullying" of Sue Campbell.
4. Maurice Heffner, Jr. (1745 Washington Road) is opposed to the Hine Building.
5. Jack Estey (2525 Fenner Road) asked what changes would be made if the present location were retained.
6. Jane Marker (2575 Peebles Road) requested that meetings be held occasionally in the evenings. She is also opposed to the purchase of the Hine Building. She inquired regarding the condition of the well and septic of the present facility, the lease of storage space, and what additions or improvements could be made to the present building.
7. Tom Myers presented a copy of a February 19 letter he had written to the Miami County Commissioners requesting the construction of improvements to the ditches located at his home and at the home of his neighbor, George Lightner. Bob Shook stated that if the petition is granted, County Engineer Doug Christian would work with Neil Rhoades.

Clerk's Report:

- The February 17 Receipt and Payment Registers and Fund Status Reports were distributed.
- Purchase Order 5-2007 in the amount of \$32,000.00 to Troy Ford for a four-wheel drive pick-up truck was presented.
- Purchase Order 6-2007 to Dalton Concrete Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$2,500.00 for walkways at Eldean Park was also presented. Bob Shook moved to approve both Purchase Orders and was seconded by Bill Whidden. Votes were: Robert Shook, Aye; Sue Campbell, Aye; William Whidden, Aye.

Communications: The e-mails were circulated, read, and filed. The annexation documents related to 1535 McKaig and 3254 West State Route 718 will be filed. All other items listed on the agenda were reviewed, but required no action.

Road Superintendent:

Neil Rhoades reported

- A few mailboxes were downed during the two recent snow storms. The cul-de-sacs were cleaned out after the initial plowing.

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- Prices are about the same for a backhoe as they were a few months ago. He estimated approximately \$26,000.00 after the trade-in and the state bid discount, but he was still looking at options such as a power shift. Bill Whidden made a motion to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$32,000.00 to Southeastern Equipment and was seconded by Bob Shook. The roll was called: Bill Whidden - Aye; Sue Campbell - Aye; Bob Shook - Aye.

Old Business:

A. Thomas Cemetery Historical Marker: Pat Quillen offered grammatical corrections to the text submitted. She also inquired about the source of the sponsorship listings on the marker. Sue Campbell will contact the Historical Society.

B. Noise Abatement: The Trustees reviewed the draft Resolution regarding the establishment of noise limitations within the unincorporated portions of the Township. Sue Campbell stated her preference to address only amplified noise, not motor vehicle noise nor barking dogs. Her position was supported by Bob Shook and Bill Whidden. Pat Quillen will finalize the Resolution and have it ready for signatures at the next meeting.

C. Trustees:

- Sue Campbell had not received any correspondence from the Ohio Historical Society regarding public records, so she will follow up.
- Bob Shook - None
- Bill Whidden responded to Pat Honeyman's earlier comment that Sue Campbell was the only one not in possession of all information regarding the October purchase offer on the Hine Building. He refuted the assertion that Sue Campbell was denied a copy. He stated that she had never asked him for a copy at a meeting, and he did not have one anyway. When she did ask for a copy, he delivered it to her without delay. He also stated that he understands a church is buying the Hine Building from Main Source Bank today.

New Business:

Trustees:

Sue Campbell

- Asked if a packet from the Strawberry Festival had been delivered to the office and was advised not.
- Thanked Tom Myers for his help with recent snow removal and commended Neil Rhoades and the staff for all their efforts.

Bob Shook

- Received a call from Marion Moler on Vista Ridge Drive who complained about a property adjacent to his that is in a state of decline. Bob Shook will go with Neil Rhoades to view the site.
- Reported that Tom Denlinger (2485 Rosewood Drive) wants to have sanitary sewer installed now that they have water. Bob Shook will talk with Doug Evans at the Miami County Sanitary Engineering Department.
- Circulated information outlining new limitations on doing business with entities with terrorist ties and requirements for new employees. He stated that more information will be forthcoming.
- Bill Whidden – None.

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Guests: John Soutar stated he was impressed by the orderly nature of the meeting. He asked for two pros and two cons to modifying or improving the current facility and the Trustees responded. In that same vein, Maurice Heffner suggested having someone come in and begin planning and estimating the cost of improvements. Jane Marker asked what kind of problems the well here has and Neil Rhoades replied that there are three separate wells, all of which are under EPA oversight due to petroleum underground storage tank regulations. Jack Estey asked about the septic work done by Wayne Wagner last year and inspected by Ron Jackson from the Health Department. Neil Rhoades brought him up to date with that information.

Payments: Bob Shook moved to approve and pay checks 18142 through 18159 and was seconded by Bill Whidden. The following vote was recorded: Sue Campbell - Aye; Bob Shook - Aye; Bill Whidden - Aye.

Adjournment: No further business was brought before the Board and the meeting adjourned viva voce. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 6, 2007 at 9:30 a.m.

Robert Shook

Sue Campbell

William Whidden

Patricia M. Quillen, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Concord 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.