

# MINUTES

## CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### REGULAR SESSION

Held: May 6, 2009

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The Board of Trustees of Concord Township met in regular session at 10:30 a.m. in the Township Building. Bill Whidden called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called with the following members present: Robert Shook, Sue Campbell, and Bill Whidden. Also present were Road Superintendent Neil Rhoades and Fiscal Officer Patricia Quillen. Visitors included Jeff Shields, Carolyn Hay, Dolores Maloney, Lisa Hokky, Pat Turnbull, Richard Wagar, and Warren Heller.

**Minutes:** Pat Quillen read the Minutes of the meeting of April 21, 2009 and they were approved.

#### **Guests:**

1. Jeff Shields from Miami County Sanitary Engineering introduced Pat Turnbull, the Director. Mr. Turnbull gave an overview of the problem in Shenandoah in which clean water is getting into the sanitary sewers. Their camera identified a few places of infiltration, but most of the clean water is related to sump pumps and foundation drains which were found to be tied directly into the sanitary laterals. Mr. Turnbull proposes the installation of behind-the-curb-drains to allow homes to tie into the storm sewers. His plan is to work with the Township and Shenandoah residents to put in the behind-the-curb-drains as a pilot project in 2010. He is looking into a grant program to help defray costs. Public Meetings will be held on an as-needed basis here at the Township Building. Lisa Hokky of 1622 Marby Drive attended the meeting in her role as President of the Shenandoah Homeowners Association and asked a few questions and clarified some points. Jeff Shields and Pat Turnbull answered questions from the Trustees and residents.
2. Dolores Maloney of 2392 Merrimont Drive (339-9331) addressed the Trustees with her concerns regarding the recent rash of home invasions and burglaries. She reported that there have been more than twelve break-ins in the area and is requesting "crime watch" signs to be placed at various places in Merrimont and Broken Woods. Bill Whidden asked Mrs. Maloney if she had contacted the Miami County Sheriff's Office regarding the efficacy of such signage. Carolyn Hay of 595 Windmere Drive offered her support for such signs and reported on a nighttime burglary in her neighborhood. Lisa Hokky stated that there had also been a breaking and entering in Shenandoah. Bob Shook reported that he has spoken with Sheriff Cox regarding increased patrols in the area. Bill Whidden suggested homeowners in Merrimont and Broken Woods gather the names and addresses of residents for quick communication. Bob Shook will investigate the purchase of signs and will continue contact with the Sheriff.

#### **Clerk's Report:**

Pat Quillen

- Distributed copies of the April and May Receipt and Payment Registers and the May 5, 2009 Fund Status Report
- Circulated the April 30, 2009 reconciled bank statement for Trustee signatures

**Communications:** Items to be filed: Troy Fire Department Report for April, e-mail from Sandy Webb and the reply, Letter from Flanagan, Lieberman, Hoffman, & Swaim and the reply, Grassroots Clippings for May 2009. The staff will attend the Miami County Engineers Clandestine Drug Lab Waste training on May 7. The other invitations, newsletters, and sales information were circulated, but not retained.

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#### **Road Superintendent's Report:**

Neil Rhoades:

- Reported that the furniture in the yard at 1360 Peters Road has been removed
- Planning & Zoning is going to send a letter to the residents at 2535 Rosewood Drive regarding boats and RVs in the yard
- Josephine MacRitchie of Creekwood Drive called to complain about speeding on her street. Neil Rhoades will contact the Miami County Sheriff's Office to see if the speed trailer can be placed on Creekwood for a while to make drivers more aware.

#### **Old Business:**

Ohio EPA Storm Water Management Compliance: On April 17, the Township received a certified letter from the Ohio EPA regarding the recently submitted EPA Phase II Storm Water Management Program 2008 Annual Report. The letter was given to Bob Shook who had helped prepare the Report. Bob Shook contacted Dick Wagar, Special Projects Coordinator for the Miami County Engineer's Office. Mr. Wagar addressed the Trustees and stated that he had contacted the EPA in Dayton who subsequently contacted officials in Columbus. The EPA is aware that Townships have no legislative authority to comply with the enforcement sections of the regulations. Dick Wagar stated that after the first permit term of five years, the four affected townships in Miami County joined with the County to submit reports for the second permit term that began in March 2009 for five years. Dick Wagar submitted a draft of a letter to the EPA explaining the dichotomy and the regulatory mechanisms currently in place at the County level that will fulfill the requirements. Bill Whidden recommended adoption of that letter and made a motion to that effect. Bob Shook seconded and the vote was recorded: Bill Whidden - Aye; Bob Shook - Aye; Sue Campbell - Aye. In response to a question, Mr. Wagar stated that he did not know why the EPA had singled out Concord Township when three other Townships were reporting under the County umbrella.

#### Trustees:

Bob Shook reported that he had filed his petitions for re-election. He reviewed the ethics book provided by the Board of Elections and expressed concerns about sending a truck driven by Brandt Miller to the Independence Day Parade. He withdrew his support and the parade participation was rescinded.

Sue Campbell

- Continued the storm water catch basin stenciling project on April 27
- Was advised that her April 13, 2009 letter to the Township was placed with the 2008 Phase II Storm Water Management Program Report.

Bill Whidden - None

#### **New Business:**

#### Trustees:

Sue Campbell - None

Bob Shook - None

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Bill Whidden attended the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission Annual Dinner on April 22. During the program, Bob Shook received the 2009 Regional Steward Award and was recognized for his outstanding commitment to the region. Bill Whidden submitted a copy of the MVRPC press release to append these Minutes.

**Guest Comments:** Warren Heller of 1780 Laurel Creek Drive expressed his concerns with people mowing grass into the street to be swept into the storm water catch basins by rain. A notice will be added to the Web Site.

**Payments:** Bill Whidden made a motion to approve and pay checks 19824 through 19860 which was seconded by Bob Shook. Votes were: Robert Shook, Aye; Sue Campbell, Aye; Bill Whidden, Aye.

**Adjournment:** No further business was presented and the meeting adjourned viva voce at 11:43 a.m. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. in the Township Building.

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Robert J. Shook

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Sue E. Campbell

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Bill Whidden

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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.