

Held: January 16, 2017

The Trustees convened in regular session on Monday, January 16, 2017 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:14 p.m. in the second floor meeting room at 2491 Walker Rd Hilliard, Ohio 43026. Fiscal Officer Greg Ruwe called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Ms. Pamela Sayre

Present

Mr. Joseph Martin

Absent

Mr. Gary Dever

Present

Mr. Gregory Ruwe

Present

Also in attendance:

Ms. Elizabeth Clark (Executive Asst. to the Trustees) and Ms. Barbara Hoover (Clerical Asst. to the Trustees.)

Nominations for 2017 Trustee Chairs

Fiscal Officer Greg Ruwe thanked Trustee Dever for his service as Chair during 2016. He asked for nominations for the 2017 Chair and Vice-Chair of the Brown Township Board of Trustees. Trustee Sayre nominated Trustee Joe Martin for the Chair position and made a motion for his appointment. Trustee Dever seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

Trustee Dever nominated Trustee Sayre for the Vice-Chair position and made a motion for her appointment. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

The meeting was then turned over to Vice-Chair Sayre to conduct.

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the Minutes of the December 19, 2016 Regular Session. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

Fiscal Actions

Bills were presented for payment. Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the payment of bills. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

The Trustees previously reviewed the January 2017 payroll report. Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the payroll report. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

The Trustees previously reviewed the bank reconciliation and the supporting financial reports for the month of December 2016. Trustee Dever made a motion to approve the bank reconciliation. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye. Motion approved.

Franklin County Sheriff Report

Four representatives of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office were in attendance: newly elected Sheriff Dallas Baldwin, Chief Deputy Jim Gilbert, Head of Community Relations Sgt. Byrd, and Deputy Doug Brenier (Patrol Car 10). Sgt. Byrd gave a brief summary of the incident reports received by the FCSO since our last meeting. The report included a stolen vehicle from Morris Rd. which was recovered the same day. The FCSO has a suspect for the car break-ins and anticipate an arrest soon. They also apprehended a theft suspect on January 11th along Amity Rd. Sgt. Byrd provided the year-end 2016 statistics for Brown Township. There were 460 total calls for service in Brown Township. January, April and July were the busiest months with 44 calls each. February



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was the slowest month with 20 calls for service. Chief Deputy Jim Gilbert complimented the work of Debra Ricker and the Brown Township Block Watch. See Scheduled Agenda Item Section for Sheriff Dallas Baldwin's presentation

Norwich Fire Department Report

Battalion Chief Ted Kienzle attended the meeting and presented Chief Warren's Incidents Report for December 2016 (including yearly totals) and the 2016 "Call for Services" graphs requested by Trustee Martin. During December 2016, there were (20) EMS runs and (8) Fire runs in Brown Township. Chief Kienzle reported that the installation of security services (cameras and locks) is still in process at Station 82, but should be completed soon. Chief Warren requests an extension until the March meeting to submit estimates for making needed upgrades to the Firehouse kitchen. Chief Kienzle has rotated out of the position of Building Chief for Station 82. Battalion Chief Joe Russell now fills that position effective January 2017.

Beth Clark's Report (Submitted)

Big Darby Accord Working Group

The Big Darby Accord Working Group (BDAWG) is scheduled to meet on February 24 to discuss results of Columbus and Franklin County discussions on the issue of pursuing alternative methods of providing wastewater treatment services to conservation developments.

Big Darby Accord Advisory Panel

John Lux, Brown Township's representative on the Big Darby Accord Advisory Panel, has resigned, effective immediately. Consideration needs to be given to naming a replacement.

Tour

The planned tour of Brown Township with Dispatch reporter Alissa Widman Neese was rescheduled to January 16.

NPDES Reporting

The annual NPDES reporting is underway and is due by January 30.

Newsletter

The Winter newsletter proof is under review. Once complete, the issue should appear in resident mailboxes within a couple of weeks. The schedule of content for the Spring newsletter so far includes safety and security in Metro Parks (Larry Peck), Time Warner update (Joe Martin), and the Public Safety summary. Other content ideas are needed. Ms. Clark requested a second proof reading of the Winter newsletter draft by the Board.

Coming Events: Big Darby Accord Working Group, 9 a.m., February 24, Lazarus Building



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Scheduled Agenda Items:

Franklin County Sheriff Dallas Baldwin and Chief Deputy Jim Gilbert

Newly elected Franklin County Sheriff Dallas Baldwin made a presentation and stated that he welcomed the opportunity to visit Brown Township. He said that he and Chief Gilbert are aware of the recent theft incidents in the Township. He encourages the township residents to call the FCSO and report any information they may have. Sheriff Baldwin said that this information helps his office stay apprised of events happening in the county. He said that he and his staff are working to hire a second crime support analyst so that more detailed crime report analyses can be generated. He said that he is also exploring the possibility of locating a FCSO sub-station in Prairie Township on West Broad Street. A station on the west side of Franklin County will have the effect of bringing more cruisers into the west side and shorten response times. He mentioned that Patrol Car 10 was placed in service in Brown Township last year to cover the second shift.

Audience Participation:

Former Township resident and Hilliard School Board member, Paul Lambert was in attendance. He informed the group that he has been designated as the liaison between the HCSB and Brown Township. He hopes to attend our meetings every couple of months. Mr. Lambert informed the Board that construction has begun on the new middle school to be built next to Bradley HS on Walker Rd. The school will open in the Fall of 2018 and will be named Hilliard Memorial Middle School. In effect, the current Memorial Middle School which services Bradley HS will be moved to the new location. The old building will be repurposed. The new middle school will be 25% larger than Heritage and Weaver middle schools, but will retain the same basic floor plan. Heritage and Weaver are currently at full capacity at 800 students. Mr. Lambert stated that he is an advocate of balanced development within the Hilliard SD referring to the ratio of commercial and residential development. He said that he is researching the possibility of impact fee implementation. Mr. Lambert provided a detailed presentation folder for the construction details and timetable of the new Memorial Middle School.

Another resident in attendance relayed that the plans for the proposed Temple near Walker and Davis roads indicate that construction will not begin until late 2018.

Old Business

Wastewater System

Fiscal Officer Ruwe reported that the owner of Township vendor Active Wastewater Systems passed away in early December 2016. The status of the company is up in the air at this time. The Township has a preventive maintenance agreement with Active Wastewater. Mike Eger of Eger's Trenching recently came and adjusted the pumps for the mound system when it was in alarm mode. Chief Kienzle said that the firefighter staff at Station 82 will look into and monitor the performance of the septic tank aerator.

New Business:

Wichert Insurance Agency Request

The Township's health & life insurance agent recently contacted FO Ruwe and requested that we consider changing carriers for the cancer policies presently in effect. FO Ruwe explained the differences in coverage and the additional costs of the new policies. After consideration, the Trustees stated that they were not interested in changing carriers or policies. They wish to retain the Teachers Protective Mutual policies.



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Darby Accord Advisory Panel Representative

John Lux, Brown Township's representative on the Big Darby Accord Advisory Panel, has resigned, effective immediately after serving since October 2013. Trustee Sayre recommended a Township resident as a possible replacement. She will contact the resident to determine if there is an interest in serving. The Panel meets two or three times per year on the second Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. at the Franklin County Courthouse.

Zoning Appeals Board

Trustee Dever reported that he is no longer serving on the Franklin County Zoning Appeals Board. He also stated that an eviction notice was served at a residence on Roberts Rd. and the occupants have vacated. Officials have requested that the property be condemned.

Adjournment

With no further business, Vice Chair Sayre asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Dever made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Sayre seconded the motion. Voting results: Sayre: aye, Dever: aye. The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Pamela Savre, Vice Chair

Gregory Ruwe, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Trustees/ Fiscal Officer of Brown 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.