

Held

March 27, 2012

OPENING OF MEETING

Mr. Ritter called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Mr. Deters, Ms. Rinehart and Mrs. Harlow were in attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Reuter requested the Board enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment, compensation, and benefits of public employees or officials, pending and imminent litigation, and the purchase of property.

At 5:32PM, Mr. Deters made a motion to enter Executive Session and Ms. Rinehart offered the second. No discussion and the roll was called:

- Mr. Deters. "Aye"
- Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"
- Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

Mr. Ritter reconvened the meeting at 5:58 PM.

Mr. Ritter offered the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Reuter said no decisions or actions were made in Executive Session.

NEW BUSINESS

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Part-time Personnel

Chief Smith requested the Board hire the following individuals as part-time firefighter/EMT, at the rate of \$13.91/hour:

- Jacob Bennett
- Jacob Bresnen
- Andrew Browning
- Christopher Goodin

He also requested the Board hire the following individuals as part-time firefighter/medic, at the rate of \$15.28/hour:

- Anthony Egnor
- Justin Poppe

Mr. Deters made such motion and Ms. Rinehart offered the second. The roll was called:

- Mr. Deters. "Aye"
- Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"
- Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

Grant Acceptance

Chief Smith said that we have been awarded a Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighters grant to replace a breathing air compressor and fill station with a project total of \$35,000. If accepted, DHS will reimburse \$28,000 for the project while our portion will be \$7,000. He said there is sufficient room in the budget to cover this project.

Ms. Rinehart made a motion to accept the grant and Mr. Deters offered the second. The roll was called:

- Mr. Deters. "Aye"
- Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"
- Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

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POLICE DEPARTMENT**MOUs**

Chief Meloy said that through a Memorandum of Understanding, both the sergeants and patrol officers bargaining units have agreed to eliminate "step" pay increases for new officers hired after May 1, 2012. They also agreed to an increased health care contribution to 20% for all new employees and changes in the layoff/recall procedures.

Mr. Deters made a motion to approve the MOU and Ms. Rinehart offered the second.

Mr. Ritter thanked the bargaining units for their understanding, giving us flexibility.

The roll was called:

Mr. Deters. "Aye"

Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"

Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

Shared Services

Chief Meloy read, by caption, Resolution 9-12, "Resolution Declaring Intent to Enter into Shared Services Agreements with Other Political Subdivisions."

Mr. Ritter made such motion and Mr. Deters offered the second. The roll was called:

Mr. Deters. "Aye"

Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"

Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

Police Department Services

Chief Meloy offered a presentation, "Addressing the Loss of Hamilton County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) Services." This presentation is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Ritter commended Chief and Mr. Rowan for their analysis and diligence. He said that he has always appreciated the partnership with Sheriff's office and hopes it can continue. He said that technically, nothing has been pulled yet and he doesn't want to move prematurely.

Chief Meloy said that we must hit the "go button" now and start preparations now. This is an action plan.

Mr. Deters said that he appreciates all of the hard work done on this. He would like to clarify that Colerain Township was committed to this partnership with the Sheriff's office and the sheriff changed the score. We've been dealt a great deal of difficulty and can't deal with these types of curve balls. We signed a contract and he expects the Sheriff to honor it. He thanked everyone for coming tonight and said that is a testament to the Colerain Township Police Department family. He said the residents need to know what we're dealing with from the Sheriff. He wants more specifics and knows it will stay as is for a month. He doesn't want to hold back on the process.

Mr. Ritter said that we must move forward tonight and he supports this. While the final chapter hasn't been written yet, we must be prepared for worst. We're all taking accountability for law enforcement. We'll be covered either way.

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Mr. Deters made a motion to approve the plan and Ms. Rinehart offered the second. The roll was called:

- Mr. Deters. "Aye"
- Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"
- Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

PUBLIC WORKS

Breezyway Drive Reconstruction

Mr. McClain said that on February 29, 2012 we received notification that The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) approved our State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP) application for a \$602,700.00 grant to reconstruct Breezyway Drive. This is an estimated \$861,000.00 project with the Township contributing a 30% match of \$258,300.00

In anticipation of receiving this notification, we joined forces with The Hamilton County Engineer's Office who obtained and reviewed Letters of Interest and Qualifications (RFQ's) from engineering firms. He requested the Board's authorization to accept this grant along with the hiring of the highest rated firm of JMA Consultants, Inc. at the design fee proposed not to exceed \$76,300.00.

Mr. Ritter said that talked about a lot about budget cuts at the town hall meeting. He said he is hoping the adjustments we have made will continue us to participate in SCIP projects.

Mr. Deters made such motion and Ms. Rinehart offered the second. The roll was called:

- Mr. Deters. "Aye"
- Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"
- Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

PARKS AND SERVICES

Park Rules – Amendment

Mr. Schwartzhoff requested an amendment to a park rule:

- Current rule:
 - Carrying and discharging firearms, air rifles, slingshots, paint ball guns or other missile throwing devices including archery equipment is prohibited within the parks. Hunting is prohibited within in the parks.
- Amended rule:
 - Discharging firearms, air rifles, slingshots, paint ball guns or other missile throwing devices including archery equipment is prohibited within the parks. Hunting is prohibited within in the parks.

Mr. Deters made such motion and Ms. Rinehart offered the second. The roll was called:

- Mr. Deters. "Aye"
- Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"
- Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

Seasonal Personnel

Mr. Schwartzhoff requested the Board hire Wayne Williams, Stuart Owens, Timothy Adleta and Robert Bell at \$8.93/hour, beginning March 28, 2012 .

He said this bring them to seven seasonal employees and should be the last he needs to hire. Last year they hired 12 seasonal employees.

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Mr. Deters made such motion and Ms. Rinehart offered the second. The roll was called:

Mr. Deters. "Aye"
 Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"
 Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

Grant Acceptance

Mr. Schwartzhoff requested the Board accept a grant from KaBoom for another playground. The grant is directly paid to the various vendors and the Foresters company will bring about 75 - 100 employees to help on the installation of the play space and side projects. The monetary value of their commitment is about \$70,000 and the Township commitment is \$8,500 (11%). He said he has the money appropriated in the 2012 permanent budget.

Mr. Deters made such motion and Mr. Rinehart offered the second. The roll was called:

Mr. Deters. "Aye"
 Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"
 Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

ZONING

Request for Public Hearing

For Dr. Roschke, Mr. Birkenhauer requested the Board set a public hearing for Case ZA2012-01 Joseph Toyota Inventory Lot for Tuesday, April 24, 2012, at 7:00PM.

Mr. Rinehart made such motion and Mr. Deters offered the second. The roll was called:

Mr. Deters. "Aye"
 Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"
 Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

ADMINISTRATION

Northgate Mall Update

Mr. Birkenhauer said Northgate Mall has been purchased by the Tabani Group, Inc. group for \$21million. He said the Cheddar's restaurant will be breaking ground soon. The Taco Bell is closed; it will be torn down and re-built. He said they hope to announce tenants for several out lots and junior boxes in the Dillard's location. The said the new owner will be sponsoring the 4th of July Spectacular fireworks and is very engaged in our community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Reuter requested the Board enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the same items as previously stated.

Ms. Rinehart made such motion and Mr. Deters offered the second. The roll was called:

Mr. Deters. "Aye"
 Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"
 Mr. Ritter. "Aye"

Mr. Reuter said no decisions or actions were made in Executive Session.

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ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, at 7:56 PM, Mr. Deters motioned for adjournment. Mr. Ritter offered a second. The roll was called:

Mr. Deters. "Aye"

Ms. Rinehart. "Aye"

Mr. Ritter. "Aye"


Fiscal Officer


Trustee


Trustee


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