

Minutes of Regular Meeting: October 6, 2008

7:00pm Meeting called to order by Gary Britten

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call; Mr. Britten, Mr. LaHote, Mr. Hrosko, Chief Stribrny, Chief Dimick, Deputy Chief Brice, Grant Garn, Robert Warnimont and Attorney John Donahue. Kraig Gottfried and Mr. Mack were absent

LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2008 Regular Meeting and the taped minutes of that meeting.
All Yes Motion Approved

LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve the minutes of the September 08, 2008 Department Head Meeting and the taped minutes of that meeting. All Yes Motion Approved

LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve the amended agenda.
All Yes Motion Approved

7:45 Larry Mersham spoke about the renewal of the Mental Health Levy and how critical it is that this passes. He said it was first on the ballot in 1989 for five years, and then it was on the ballot and passed in 1993 for another 5 years. In 1998 it was on the ballot for a 10 year term and passed again. Mr. Mersham told about the many programs funded by the Wood County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board and gave out a pamphlet (copy in file) on it. He said it is the only county wide issue on the ballot and is the last item on the ballot so be sure to look for it.

8:00 JEDD Agreement; Attorney John Donahue said we have two things tonight and they both deal with FedEx Ground. He said that “although it was a bad day for the economy it was a good day for Perrysburg Township, FedEx and the City of Toledo.” The first issue was his recommendation to approve a Resolution (copy in file) Donahue prepared approving the Joint Economic Development District between Perrysburg Township and the City of Toledo with FedEx Ground. Mr. Donahue acknowledged Mr. Hilbert representing FedEx Ground and Mr. Madigan general council for the City of Toledo who were in the audience and said this could not have been made without compromises being made by the two men and their clients. He also said that “we are grateful to Mayor Finkbeiner, Mr. Peterson from FedEx Ground and the two of you because it is difficult enough for any lawyers to reach any agreement. And usually you only have to reach an agreement in the interest of two parties involved but here we have three parties and we have reached an agreement that is a win-win situation.” Mr. Donahue went on to say it brought FedEx Ground to Perrysburg Township and gave them tax abatement for a period of time, creates a lot of jobs for Wood County and Perrysburg Township and it creates a whole new income source for the Township with payroll income tax. This payroll income tax is shared with the City of Toledo. Long term after the abatement is over the Township will collect increased real estate tax on the improved land. The City of Toledo was accommodated by providing them with a ground floor amount that will be paid every year after FedEx Ground moves here. Until FedEx Ground moves here the City of Toledo and Perrysburg Township will

be sharing the payroll income tax revenue from the construction workers equally. Once FedEx Ground moves to Perrysburg Township, which will be in July or August of 2009, the payroll tax revenue will be split with the first \$223,000.00 (which is the amount the City of Toledo received from FedEx Ground in the tax year 2007) going to the City of Toledo and then everything over that will be split 50/50. **LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve Resolution #2008-26 Approving the Toledo-Perrysburg Township Joint Economic Development District Contract.** All Yes Motion Approved

The next thing Mr. Donahue said also has to do with FedEx Ground and deals with the road improvement we have been planning to do out there at “J” St. and Third St. in Perrysburg Township. Again it is a win-win situation. The Township received a letter agreement from Mr. Peterson at FedEx Ground whereby Perrysburg Township will be granted a sum of money of \$75,000.00 from the state to be utilized for part of the improvements that will be made at “J” St. and Third St. FedEx Ground has agreed to reimburse the Township any cost over and above the \$75,000.00 to complete that improvement which we estimate to be in the area of \$140,000.00. FedEx Ground even went farther than that and agreed that for any reason we are not paid the grant money by the State of Ohio they will reimburse the Township for that. This improvement does a couple of things. It improves an intersection that needs to be improved and it provides FedEx Ground with a better and safer ingress and egress to the plant. Mr. Donahue presented to the Trustees the Roadway Improvement Grant/J Street and Third Street Improvements Contract (copy in file) and recommended they approve and sign it. Britten said all the figures are there but the County Engineer has to put some numbers to it which to this point is not done yet. Britten talked to Tim Murphy, who does all that for the County, last week and will talk to him tomorrow to see what kind of time table he has for getting this done. Then we will have to go through the process of putting it in the paper and everything else. Britten said he knew everyone wants to get this started so he will see if he can get it speeded up at the County level. **LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve and sign the contract.**

All Yes Motion Approved

Maintenance: Kraig Gottfried –absent Hrosko read a letter from Ralph E. VanderVlucht (copy in file) thanking the Township for hiring Kraig Gottfried as Maintenance Supervisor and complimented both Gottfried and his staff for solving a drainage problem at his property.

Police: Chief Stribny told the Trustees that at the Department Head meeting he turned in a check from Northern Boarder Initiative for \$324.84 covering the period of June 24 to July 12, 2008 and that the program is continuing. This money covers overtime for the officers working this program.

Stribny said the Ohio Department of Public Safety awarded, for the year of October 1, 2008 until September 30, 2009, a traffic grant in the amount of \$33,262.02 for hours of overtime to do traffic blitzes.

Stribny then presented a check for \$11,859.93 from Wood County Emergency Management for reimbursement of the MARCS mobile and base radios. This also covers the cost of the original estimate of the installation. The installation cost could turn out to be slightly higher due to the new construction altering how the radio will have to be installed.

Next Stribny brought up “propertyroom.com” which is a web site we can use to dispose of evidence that has been released by the court for us to dispose of. They would pick up the evidence and put it on their site for public auction. Stribny said

he had some questions about some of the language in their contract and had John Donahue look it over. Mr. Donahue said he approved the contract and said as long as only released evidence and not any Township property was disposed of through this site it would be fine to use it. Stribrny said he would like to start using this site. Stribrny did add that if anyone saw anything on the web site that they thought belonged to them it would be immediately pulled off the site and we would be notified of this. We then would try to verify the claim. In the same vain Stribrny said he was putting two more vehicles, the 1999 Chevy Camaro and a 1999 Ford Crown Vic on the GovDeals.com site.

The last thing Stribrny said was he received a call from State Line Ford and they know we are looking to replace our marked 4 wheel drive Durango which has 94,362 miles on it. They have a Ford Expedition that is equipped with a police package in stock and it is about \$35,000.00. He said he needs to get more information on it and also wants to get information on the Chevy Tahoe with a police package. Dodge is not putting a police package on the Durango. Stribrny will bring this back up at a future meeting.

Fire: Chief Dimick gave the run report (copy in file)

Dimick then asked the Trustees to approve hiring Todd Wilson as a part-time employee. Dimick said Mr. Wilson is employed at St. Vincent's Life Flight, lives in Rossford and has passed all the required testing by the Township. **LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve hiring Todd Wilson part-time.** All Yes Motion Approved

EMS: Deputy Chief Brice told the Trustees they have received the eight portable MARC radios but found out they do not come with chargers. Dimick asked the Trustees to approve the purchase of 8 chargers from Motorola at a state purchase price of \$132.00 each for a total of \$1,056.00. **LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve the purchase.** All Yes Motion Approved.

Brice then told the Trustees he would like their approval to purchase two automatic cots to replace our old manual ones. These cots can automatically raise up to 600 pounds. Normally they cost \$12,000.00 each but Brice can purchase two cots that were ordered by someone else and never purchased, at a cost of \$9,515.00. **LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve the purchase of the two cots at a cost of \$19,030.00 and to approve a PO made out to Stryker.** All Yes Motion Approved

The last item Brice brought up was Code Red, which is an enhanced 911 system. Code Red has two difference components to it. One is a reverse 911 system where the Township can select basically all of Perrysburg Township or a specific area of the Township to send a message out to. The other component is early weather notification. What this does is anytime there is a tornado warning, a severe thunderstorm warning or flash flood warning it will send out a warning via the phones to the residents in the target area. The resident's home phone number will be automatically entered into the system and residents can have their cell phone numbers added to it. This system operates 24 hours a day and is a very strong addition to our early warning system with the tornado sirens. The entities involved with this right now are Northwestern Water and Sewer, City of Bowling Green, City of Perrysburg, City of Northwood, City of Rossford, Lake Township, the County Commissioners and Perrysburg Township. The addition of both the Code Red and the Early Warning System would cost each entity \$7,031.25. The Northwestern Water and Sewer, City of Bowling Green, City of Perrysburg and City of Rossford have all agreed to that. Trustees have only talked about it briefly

Brice said he heard the sentiments that the Commissioners should pick up a bigger portion because they are covering everyone but the Northwestern Water and Sewer, City of Bowling Green, City of Perrysburg, City of Northwood, City of Rossford, Lake Township and Perrysburg Township. But this is only a trial year and as it stands now each partner gets 18,750 minutes for the year. After the first year the program can be reviewed and the cost pro-rated. If a partner runs out of minutes, more can be added at the going rate. The Local Emergency Planning Commission is looking to see if they can help with the cost. The goal is to have this up and running by the end of the year. LaHote said it was a great use of technology. **LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve the support of this at our cost not to exceed \$7,031.25.** All Yes Motion Approved

Recreation: Bob Warnimont – no report

Zoning: Grant Garn told the Trustees the Zoning Commission met tonight and discussed the Sunoco Station on Route 20 and redoing the Zoning Book and doing a Comprehensive Plan. The big discussion was with the people along Thompson Rd. and Route 20. They were allowed to talk about the issues surrounding that area. Garn then said the Board of Zoning Appeals will be meeting on October 21st at 6pm to discuss the proposal by the Sunoco Service station on 20 to tear down and rebuild. There are some set back problems so they will go to the BZA first. They will also be hearing about some signage at Perrysburg Market Center where they would like to put signs on the back of the businesses facing Market Center Dr

Mr. LaHote said regarding the people on Thompson Rd., we received a letter (copy in file) from Ohio Department of Transportation regarding Home Rule and it is very favorable in regards to our ability to change speed limits if Home Rule is passed.

Mr. Britten then read a letter (copy in file) from Doug and Pam Bortz thanking Grant Garn for his help in doing their greenhouse project.

Office: Gary Britten explained that the Haar, Bob Schultz and himself met for a Records Commission meeting on September 29th at which he gave several recommendations concerning record retention and management. The first thing we need to do is pass a Record Management Policy (copy in file). Britten said Mr. Schultz has worked very hard at trying to get this stuff done and we couldn't have done it without him. The Trustees have all read the Policy and agreed it works. **Britten made a motion (seconded by LaHote) to pass the Record Management Policy.** All Yes Motion Approved

Shirley Haar asked the Trustees to sign the cash report, bank position report, check report and PO report. The trustees signed the reports.

Haar asked the Trustees to approve a PO in the amount of \$1,300.00 made out to Brooks Insurance for the VFIS insurance for the volunteer firefighters. This is a Then & Now PO as the bill has already arrived. **LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve this request.** All Yes Motion Approved

Administrator: John Hrosko told the Trustees that when the non-union wage agreements were passed we missed the one for Marilyn Smith who retired in May 2008. She should have been given the 3% increase from January 1st until she retired. Hrosko asked the Trustees to approve paying her the 3% retroactive to the 1st of January until she retired. **LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve the request.** All Yes Motion Approved

Hrosko read a list of Township Polices that have been being worked on and said all the Unions and Department Heads had been given copies of them to read. As of today he had not heard from any of the Unions and wanted to see about passing them tonight. Tom Brice spoke up and said he thought we were going to discuss them at the Department Head meeting because he had a couple of issues with them. This was tabled again until the next Department Head meeting for further discussion.

Hrosko said he received two requests, one from Dick Harold who lives in the Wexford area and the other from the Lakemont Home Owners Association concerning street name changes within their area. Lakemont would like Lakewood changed to Lakemont Blvd and the people in Wexford would like Fountain Blvd changed to Wexford Blvd. Britten said this has got to go through the County engineer's office. Britten said when he took this to Ray Huber, his comment was that the plats all have those original names on them and unless somebody pays to revise those plats it is a problem. Britten said he told Linda he would go back and talk to Mr. Huber again after she told him that a couple of streets in Rossford have had their names change in the last couple of months. LaHote said that municipalities have the right to change the street names. Hrosko said he does have signed signatures from the Lakemont people as requested and will call Mr. Harold about getting a signed petition from Wexford. Britten said to let him talk to Mr. Huber and see exactly what needs to be done.

Hrosko asked for final approval of the Sergeants' Contract for January 2008 to December 31, 2011. This is just a formality since it was tentatively approved at a previous meeting. This is the final document and it just needs the Chairman to of the Board, Gary Britten to sign it. Britten signed the contract.

Next Hrosko mentioned that we are looking into changing our payroll system. All Department Heads, the Trustees and everyone dealing with the payroll have been told of the contemplated change. The current system we are using is not working. We would like to switch to Payroll Select, which is a company using the system we had in 2007 before Precision Pay sold out their business and retired. The man running Payroll select worked for Precision Pay and has some of Precision Pay staff working for him. He has given Hrosko a quote (copy in file) of \$296.00 per month plus a \$250.00 one time set up fee. His rates are much cheaper than our current system. Hrosko asked permission to go forward with the contract with the first live payroll starting with the first full pay in January 2009. **LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to approve this request.** All Yes Motion Approved

Hrosko gave the dates of some upcoming meetings he has and added he will be on vacation from October 19th until the 27th.

Mr. Britten asked for Public Comments and hearing none;

8:51pm LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) adjourn into executive session for personnel wages and non-wage compensation. No further business may be conducted. All Yes Motion Approved

9:22pm LaHote made a motion (seconded by Britten) to adjourn out of executive session and to adjourn. All Yes Motion Approved