

The regular meeting of the Green Township Board of Trustees held on September 14, 2009 was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Chairman Winkler, present; Trustee Linnenberg, present; Trustee Upton, present; Fiscal Officer Straus, present.

Trustee Linnenberg moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of August 24, 2009. Trustee Upton seconded the motion. All voted Aye.

Chairman Winkler stated that the Harvest Home Parade was dedicated in honor of Green Township's Bicentennial. Chairman Winkler announced that the Veterans' Tribute Tower will be arriving at Veterans' Park on October 10, 2009 and will be accompanied by the Patriot Guard Riders. Chairman Winkler invited residents to come to Veterans' Park at approximately 12:00 to celebrate the arrival of the tower.

Trustee Linnenberg reported that Kids Fun Day was held at Veterans' Park on Saturday, August 29, 2009. The event was a fantastic event and provided many games and activities for kids. Trustee Linnenberg stated that the Trustees are considering making this special Bicentennial event an annual event.

Chairman Winkler announced that on October 16th and 17th, 2009 the actual casting of the bell for the Veterans Tribute Tower will take place. Chairman Winkler invited everyone come out and take part in the bell casting events. The bell will be poured in the evening of October 16th and the mold will be broken on October 17th. The bell will then be polished and put on display. The Veterans Tribute Tower and bell will be dedicated on Veteran's Day, November 11, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. at Veterans' Park.

Mike Ricke was present to provide an update on the Traffic Impact Study for Mercy Hospital. Jack Pflum was present to summarize the study.

Township consultant, Ed Williams of Tec Engineering, was present to discuss additional analysis undertaken on behalf of the Township to ensure that all issues raised by the traffic study have been adequately addressed and were reviewed by the Hamilton County Engineer. Mr. Williams stated that his review is a supplement to the undertaking on behalf of the hospital. He compared the Traffic Impact Study (TIS) findings and believes that they are consistent with the North Bend Road Corridor Study. In addition to reviewing the TIS, TEC has completed several traffic counts along the corridor with school (St. Ignatius) in session to ensure that there is an accurate base line for traffic data.

Jack Pflum gave an overview of the Traffic Impact Study, stating that the study had been submitted to the Hamilton County Engineer's office for review and approval. The study focused on trip forecasting and distribution of those trips, based on both patient information and counts from the Mercy facility in Fairfield. He noted that Mercy Health Partners was very helpful in getting a high level of accuracy for the trip generation data. Based on that info they were able to forecast the number of trips that would most likely be generated by the new hospital and distribution of those trips in a 24 hr. time period. The study finds that 38% of the trips anticipated (doctors, nurses, patients and visitors) will be coming from the south along North Bend Road, approximately 35% using I-74, and the balance using Boomer (4%), North Bend and Cheviot Roads. The findings indicate that traffic on side roads will be modest and minimal in terms of impact.

Adam Goetzman, noted that there are several existing traffic improvement projects in the area and that Ed Williams has been charged with looking at what is actually on the books today and analyzing anticipated improvements recommended through the TIS.

Ed Williams provided an overview of the North Bend Road projects currently designed and programmed for construction. One is through the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) and one through a Federal Highway Safety Program. They include improvements at Boomer, including widening to accommodate additional turn lanes and two through lanes south of I-74 to Boomer Road. The balance of the improvements in the area will be built by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) in 2011, improving the overpass, off ramps and adding turn lanes at the West Fork/North Bend Road intersection.

Fred Schlimm stated that these planned projects have been three to four years in the making. Well before a hospital was even proposed, the Township partnered with the Hamilton County Engineer's Office and ODOT to try to solve these long standing traffic problems and be proactive.

Trustees Linnenberg confirmed that on and off ramps will also be looked at and improved as part of the existing projects.

Trustee Upton, indicated a desire to work with the Hamilton County Engineer and the City of Cheviot to look at the North Bend Road/Westwood Northern Blvd. intersection.

Mike Ricke, Anchor Properties, stated there is one last step to be completed for the rezoning process. That hearing will go before the Hamilton County Commissioners on September 16, 2009. Mr. Ricke hoped that by the end of September they will have completed that process and be able to move forward.

Mr. Ricke also commented on planned roadway improvements for North Bend Road and Boomer Road, noting that much of the success of the plan thus far had been due to the proposed relocation of Boomer Road adjacent to St. Ignatius School. This provides additional buffering for the school and provides an additional private access for St. Ignatius to North Bend Road.

Mr. Ricke highlighted additional pathways and pedestrian features proposed as part of the project. He noted that a planned Township Park on North Bend Road could be tied into a trail system planned for the hospital campus. He stated that this area is a primary entry point into Green Township and Mercy Health Partners (MHP) recognize the opportunity to make this a gateway to the Monfort Heights/White Oak area.

Trustee Upton requested that large posters of the concept plan be made in order to display the proposed plan at the Senior Center, libraries, and other locations for the public to view the plan.

Adam Goetzman stated that the required improvements will be funded by MHP, the developer, and/or public cooperation through a Joint Economic Development District (JEDD) and Tax Increment Financing (TIF) programs. In closing, he noted that the TIS has been submitted to Hamilton County and will be approved by the Hamilton County Engineer. The Hamilton County Engineer's Office will ultimately be responsible to make sure that all the improvements are in place prior to the doors opening on the hospital. A key to the overall success of the project will be maintaining our outstanding relationship with the Hamilton County Engineer.

Chairman Winkler thanked Anchor Properties and Mercy Health Partners for doing a great job of keeping the public informed every step of the way and reaching out to residents for their ideas and opinions. Their efforts have made a difference.

Trustee Linnenberg stated that the hospital will not open until 2014 after improvements to North Bend Road have been completed. He also wished to point out that Green Township tax payers will not be paying for these road improvements. The funds will come from the TIF and the JEDD.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-A

Chairman Winkler moved to pass a resolution accepting and approving the financial reports as submitted. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-B

Chairman Winkler moved to pass a resolution to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, October 26, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. to establish a Joint Economic Development District (JEDD). Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-C

Trustee Upton moved to pass a resolution to amend the Estimated Resources for 2009. Chairman Winkler seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-D

Trustee Upton moved to pass a resolution to amend the Appropriations for 2009. Chairman Winkler seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-E

Chairman Winkler moved to pass a resolution to approve the agreement with Great Oaks to provide a School Resource Officer at the Diamond Oaks Campus for the 2009 - 2010 school year and authorizing the Township Administrator to sign the agreement after review and approval from the Township Attorney. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-F

Trustee Linnenberg moved to pass a resolution for approval of the installation of a no parking restriction on the south side of Tallahassee Drive beginning at the southeast corner of Tallahassee & Lauderdale Drives and extending to a point 92' east of the centerline of Lauderdale Drive. Chairman Winkler seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-G

Chairman Winkler moved to pass a resolution for approval of the installation of a no parking restriction on the west side of Lauderdale Drive beginning at the southwest corner of Lauderdale & Tallahassee Drives and extending to a point 60' south of the centerline of Tallahassee Drive. Trustee Upton seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-H

Trustee Linnenberg moved to pass a resolution to allow the Director of Public Services to apply to the Ohio Public Works Commission for financial assistance in 2010 for the following projects: Bluebird Lane Reconstruction Project, Race and Bridgetown Roads Intersection Improvement Project, Taylor and Rybolt Roads Intersection Improvement Project.

Estimated projected costs are:

	EST.	EST.	EST.
	TWP.	GRANT	TOTAL
	<u>COST</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>COST</u>
Bluebird Lane	\$331,750	\$331,750	\$663,500
Race/Bridgetown	\$314,500	\$314,500	\$629,000
Taylor/Rybolt	\$369,803	\$369,802	\$739,605

Chairman Winkler seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-I

Chairman Winkler moved to pass a resolution to renew the Lighting District for Breckenridge Drive. Trustee Upton seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-J

Chairman Winkler moved to pass a resolution to renew the Lighting District for Colonial Drive. Trustee Upton seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-K

Trustee Linnenberg moved to pass a resolution to renew the Lighting District for Leumas Road North. Chairman Winkler seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-L

Trustee Linnenberg moved to pass a resolution to renew the Lighting District for Maylee Place. Trustee Upton seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-M

Chairman Winkler moved to pass a resolution to renew the Lighting District for Michael Anthony Lane. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-N

Chairman Winkler moved to pass a resolution to renew the Lighting District for Sutter's Mill. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-0914-O

The following properties were declared as nuisances. The Township Attorney was directed to notify the owners of the properties listed below of this resolution:

1. 5880 Colerain Avenue (550-0011-0058), Motion made by Trustee Linnenberg and seconded by Trustee Upton. All voted Aye.
2. 5915 Colerain Avenue (550-0011-0118), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and seconded by Trustee Upton. All voted Aye.
3. 3617 Crestknoll Drive (550-0062-0076), Motion made by Trustee Upton and seconded by Chairman Winkler. All voted Aye.
4. 1612 Ebenezer Road (550-0154-0185), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and seconded by Trustee Upton. All voted Aye.

5. 4483 Ebenezer Road (550-0232-0002), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and seconded by Trustee Upton. All voted Aye.
6. 6096 Harrison Avenue (550-0193-0144), Motion made by Trustee Linnenberg and seconded by Chairman Winkler. All voted Aye.
7. 5616 Muddy Creek (550-0143-0476), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and seconded by Trustee Upton. All voted Aye.
8. 4397, 4391 Harrison Avenue and 3964 Raceview Avenue (550-0121-0065, 0066, 0370), Motion made by Trustee Linnenberg and seconded by Trustee Upton. All voted Aye.
9. 4109 School Section Road (550-0111-0498), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and seconded by Trustee Upton. All voted Aye.
10. 5046 Western Hills Avenue (550-0041-0174), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and seconded by Trustee Upton. All voted Aye.

Fiscal Officer, Tom Straus, thanked Jim Krause, Tony Rosiello, and Dan Crowley for their service on the Audit Committee which met on August 31, 2009.

Township Attorney, Frank Hyle, stated that there is a need for executive session for the purpose of discussing acquisition and/or sale of property. Action may be anticipated.

Township Administrator, Kevin Celarek, was not in attendance due to a conference.

Director of Public Services, Fred Schlimm, stated that he had nothing to report.

Director of Development, Adam Goetzman, reported that the Hamilton County Commissioners will meet on Wednesday, August 16, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. regarding the Mercy Hospital. Mr. Goetzman stated that he will be attending that meeting and will convey the support of the Green Township Trustees for the Mercy Hospital project.

Asst. Fire Chief, Scott Souders, reported in the absence of Fire Chief, Doug Witsken. Asst. Chief Souders stated that he had nothing to report.

Police Chief, Bart West, wished to recognize Detective Lampe and Officer Vath for some hard work that they did to arrest several individuals who were committing burglaries in the north end of the Township. Chief West also reported that former Green Township Police Chief, Jim Suder, passed away on Saturday, September 5, 2009. Chief West thanked all who participated in the funeral procession and honor guard to recognize Jim's many years of service to Green Township.

Lt. Mike Horton, Hamilton County Sheriff's Department, reported that over the last couple of weeks approximately ten cars have been broken into in the Ruwe's Oak Subdivision. Lt. Horton reminded residents to keep expensive items out of their vehicles. Lt. Horton stated that he received a letter from Common Pleas Court Judge, Steven Martin, commending Deputy Joe Bennett for his excellent preparation of a felony case for his court room. Lt. Horton also received a letter from a family on Farlook Drive thanking Deputy Mike Stenger for his excellent police work on an aggravated menacing case.

Trustee Tony Upton read a thank you letter from a resident.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, September 28, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

Trustee Upton made a motion to recess into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing acquisition and/or sale of property. Action may be anticipated. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye, Chairman Winkler: Aye. The meeting was recessed at 6:15 p.m.; reconvened at 6:50 p.m.

Chairman Winkler moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Upton seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye. Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

ATTEST: