

The regular meeting of the Green Township Board of Trustees held on October 12, 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, excused; Fiscal Officer Straus, present.

Chairman Winkler moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of September 28, 2009. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. All voted Aye.

Chairman Winkler gave an update on Bicentennial events. She reported that on Saturday, October 10, 2009 the Veterans Tribute Tower was installed at Veterans' Park. The tower was escorted to the park by the PatriotGuard Riders. On Friday, October 16, 2009, at Noon the Verdin Bell Co. will be bringing their mobile foundry to the Green Township Administrative Complex. The ingot brigade will begin at Noon. At 6:00 p.m. the bell will be poured into the mold. On Saturday, October 17, 2009 at Noon the bell will be broken out of its mold. Between noon and 6:00 p.m. the bell will be cleaned and polished. The bell will be unveiled at 6:00 p.m. The bell will then be put on display in the Administration Building and made available for pictures with the bell. Chairman Winkler encouraged everyone to come out and join in the festivities. On November 11, 2009 the bell will be dedicated to the Veteran's and will be rung for the very first time.

Chairman Winkler announced that Green Township Day is Sunday, October 25, 2009 at the Nathanael Greene Lodge from 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. This day will include health and wellness screenings, and an ice cream social.

Fire Fighter Chris Godfrey, on behalf of the Green Township Professional Fire Fighters Association Local #2927, was present to present a check in the amount of \$6,200 to Community Services West of funds raised during the Fire Fighters 3rd Annual Lt. Terry Tate Memorial Golf Outing. Gwen Mooney, President of Community Services West, was present to accept the donation. Gwen Mooney thanked the Fire Fighters for the donation and stated that the money will be used to purchase food for the Meals on Wheels Program.

Cub Scout Pack 186 from Oakdale Elementary School was present to work on their Citizenship merit badge.

Don Marshall, Eagle Energy, was present to give an update on the savings that Green Township residents have received from the Electric Aggregation Program with Dominion Retail. Mr. Marshall reported that approximately 16,000 residential customers and approximately 1,300 small businesses are enrolled in the program. Residential customers have saved approximately \$1.9 million dollars; the small business owners have saved approximately \$.5 million dollars, for a total approximate savings of \$2.4 million dollars. The average savings per residential customer for the year will be approximately \$150. The rate for January, 2011 has not yet been set, however it is projected to be approximately 6.65 cents per kilowatt hour, which is even less than the current rate. Mr. Marshall encouraged the Trustees to consider setting a rate for 2011. Chairman Winkler and Trustee Linnenberg decided to wait until all three Elected Officials are present at the next meeting to take a vote on this matter.

RESOLUTION #09-1012-A

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

RESOLUTION #09-1012-B

Trustee Linnenberg moved to pass a resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Hamilton County Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor for 2010. Chairman Winkler seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Excused; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-1012-C

Chairman Winkler moved to pass a resolution granting permission to travel for Fire Inspector Mike Boeckermann to attend the National Emergency Training Center November 1 - 6, 2009 in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Mike has been selected to be a Grant Peer Reviewer by the Department of Homeland Security and U.S. Fire Administration, and will spend the week reviewing Assistance to Firefighters Grant Applications. There will be no cost to the Township, as all travel, lodging and meal expenses will be paid by the Federal government. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Excused; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

RESOLUTION #09-1012- D

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. 3326 Fiddlers Green Road, (550-0280-0010), Motion made by Trustee Linnenberg and seconded by Chairman Winkler. All voted Aye.
2. 3386 Fiddlers Green Road, (550-0280-0115), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. All voted Aye.
3. 4783 North Bend Road, (550-0062-0050), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. All voted Aye.
4. 3353 Stevie Lane, (550-0082-0164), Motion made by Trustee Linnenberg and seconded by Chairman Winkler. All voted Aye.

The Ohio Department of Liquor Control has sent notice of application from:

- a. The Ohio Department of Liquor Control has sent notice of application from Hook Superx, LLC, DBA CVS Pharmacy 6100, 5811 Colerain Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45239 to Ohio CVS Stores, LLC, DBA CVS Pharmacy 6100, located at 5811 Colerain Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45239. Police Chief West had no objection. The Trustees did not request a hearing.

Administrator Celarek made the following announcement:

1. The Green Township Land Use Planning Committee will hold a public meeting on October 19, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to consider a Land Use Plan amendment request submitted by Paul Ruthemeyer of 5458 Rybolt Road, who is seeking a change from single-family residence to retail. The approximately .5 acre lot is located north of the relocated Rybolt Road on the east side of the street.

Fiscal Officer, Tom Straus, stated that he had nothing to report.

Township Attorney, Frank Hyle, reported that he received notice from the Counsel for the Cincinnati Public Schools regarding the proposal from the Trustees to help fund the construction of ball fields behind Covedale School. The proposal was submitted and was accepted in its entirety. Attorney Hyle recommended a resolution on the matter. This agreement would make the ball fields public and open to use by Township residents after school hours.

RESOLUTION #09-1012-E

Chairman Winkler moved to pass a resolution authorizing the execution of a Joint Venture Agreement with the Cincinnati Public Schools for the construction of ball fields at Covedale School in the amount of \$50,000. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Excused; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

Township Attorney, Frank Hyle, stated need for executive session for the purpose of discussing acquisition of property and a personnel issue. Action may be anticipated.

Township Administrator, Kevin Celarek, reported that the Green Township newsletter has been completed and sent to all residents. Residents should be receiving them this week.

Director of Public Services, Fred Schlimm, stated that they have been making good progress on the Public Works projects and that street and sidewalk rehabilitation projects are wrapping up. Mr. Schlimm stated that attention will now be turned to the construction of Ebenezer Road between Countrymeadows and Countryhills and Werk Road and also will be getting to driveway repairs on Glenway Avenue that ODOT missed last year.

Director of Development, Adam Goetzman, stated that he had nothing to report.

Asst. Chief Scott Souders reported in the absence of Fire Chief, Doug Witsken. Chief Souders discussed the house fire that occurred on Westin Ridge last Monday evening which resulted in two fire fighters sustaining injuries. One fire fighter fell through the floor and the other sustained a back injury. Asst. Chief Souders reported that both of those fire fighters are okay and back to work.

Fiscal Officer Straus stated that the house fire occurred on his street and commended the fire fighters for their efforts in putting out the very nasty and aggressive fire.

Police Chief, Bart West, thanked Amvets Post #1988 for their generous donation.

Lt. Mike Horton, Hamilton County Sheriff's Department, reported that on October 25, 2009 the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office is switching to 12 hour shifts, after almost 40 years of working a 6 and 2 work schedule. The majority of all Sheriff's personnel throughout the County will be switching to the 12 hour shifts except for a few cars in the east that will switch to a 4 and 2 work schedule. This change will not affect services in Green Township. The Sheriff's patrols in Green Township will work from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Winkler recognized retired Asst. Chief Jim Rutenschroer who was present at the meeting. Chairman Winkler stated that Jim worked for Green Township for nearly 50 years. Jim's retirement party was held a few weeks ago and was very moving for so many of Jim's friends to let him know what a privilege it was to work with him and to have Jim be a part of Green Township for so many years. Chairman Winkler thanked him for the things that he has done, the people he has trained, the Department that he developed and helped to create. She thanked Jim for his many years of hard work and dedication. Jim thanked everyone for a wonderful retirement party, their kind words, and their well wishes.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, October 26, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

Chairman Winkler made a motion to recess into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing acquisition of property and a personnel issue. Action may be anticipated. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Excused; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye, Chairman Winkler: Aye. The meeting was recessed at 6:00 p.m.; reconvened at 6:10 p.m.

RESOLUTION #09-1012-F

Trustee Linnenberg moved to pass a resolution authorizing the Administrator to enter into a General Release Agreement with Sheryl Ross. Chairman Winkler seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Excused; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

Chairman Winkler moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Excused; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Excused. Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

ATTEST: