

The regular meeting of the Green Township Board of Trustees held on October 26, 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 September 28, 2009. Trustee Upton seconded the motion. All voted Aye.

Chairman Winkler gave an overview of the events that occurred on Friday, October 16 and Saturday, October 17, 2009 regarding the pouring of the Veterans Tribute Bell and the ceremonial breaking of the bell out of the mold. Chairman Winkler announced that the bell is on display in the atrium of the Green Township Administration Building and encouraged residents to come see the bell and have their picture taken with the bell. Chairman Winkler also stated that Green Township is home to the first Veterans Tribute Tower in the State of Ohio. On Veterans Day, November 11, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. the tower and bell will be dedicated and the bell will be rung for the first time by Green Township's oldest Veterans.

Trustee Linnenberg announced that on October 17, 2009 State Senator Bill Seitz presented Green Township with a proclamation recognizing Green Township's Bicentennial. Earlier this summer the Township also received a proclamation from Hamilton County recognizing Green Township's Bicentennial.

Chairman Winkler announced that Bicentennial ornaments are for sale at the Green Township Administration Building. The cost for the ornament is \$5.00. The ornament features the Diehl house, which was the childhood home of Marge Unnewehr-Schott.

Administrator Celarek mentioned that 150 families have purchased Bicentennial bricks for the plaza at Diehl Road Park. The deadline for brick orders is October 30, 2009.

Chairman Winkler announced that the Old Fashioned Family Winterfest celebration will be held on December 4, 2009 at the Nathanael Greene Lodge from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Chairman Winkler also announced that the Winterfest Ball will be held on December 5, 2009 at the Nathanael Greene Lodge at 7:00 p.m. The Pete Wagner Band will be performing, appetizers and drinks will be available. Chairman Winkler invited residents to purchase tickets and come to the Bicentennial Ball. The cost for tickets is \$40.00 for an individual and \$75.00 for a couple.

**RESOLUTION #09-1026-A**

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

Don Marshall, Eagle Energy, reported that the 2010 rate for gas will be .0745 per kilowatt, and the 2011 rate for gas will be .0679 per kilowatt. Mr. Marshall estimated that the total savings from the electric aggregation program for 2009 will be approximately \$2.4 million dollars.

**RESOLUTION #09-1026-B**

Chairman Winkler moved to pass a resolution to approve the second amendment to the agreement for supplying electric service to participants in the Green Township, Hamilton County, Ohio Governmental Aggregation Program and authorizing the Township Administrator to sign the agreement with Dominion Retail after review and approval by the Township Attorney. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

**RESOLUTION #09-1026-C**

Trustee Linnenberg moved to pass a resolution to hire Shelly Hamlin as temporary clerical help at \$14.34 per hour starting November 9, 2009 and ending approximately December 31, 2009. Chairman Winkler seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye.

**RESOLUTION #09-1026-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. 2942 Diehl Road, (550-0031-0030 and 0031), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. All voted Aye.
2. 3945 Ebenezer, (550-0241-0015), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and

- seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. All voted Aye.
3. 3102 Jessup Road, (550-0011-0115), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. All voted Aye.
  4. 4020 Jessup Road, (550-0092-0045), Motion made by Chairman Winkler and seconded by Trustee Linnenberg. All voted Aye.
  5. 6013 Lawrence Road, (550-0160-0012), Motion made by Trustee Linnenberg and seconded by Trustee Upton. All voted Aye.

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

- a. City Barbeque, Inc., 6475 Glenway Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45211. Police Chief, Bart West, had no objection. The Trustees did not request a hearing.

Administrator Celarek made the following announcement:

1. The Green Township Trustees will hold a public meeting on November 09, 2009 at 5:30 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 so far this year the Township has received approximately \$41 million dollars and expended approximately \$35 million dollars. The General Fund has received approximately \$6.9 million dollars and expended approximately \$3.1 million dollars.

Township Attorney, Frank Hyle, stated that he had nothing to report.

Township Administrator, Kevin Celarek, reported that the Metropolitan Sewer District is holding a Stakeholders Meeting on October 29, 2009 at 7:30 a.m. Administrator Celarek will be attending that meeting on behalf of the Green Township Trustees. He is hoping to get an update on the Wet Weather Program and what projects are planned for Green Township. Administrator Celarek also reported that budget meetings with Department Heads are in progress. Budget meetings with the Trustees and Fiscal Officer will be held on November 5 - 6, 2009.

Director of Public Services, Fred Schlimm, reported that this is the last year that the Ohio Public Works Commission will be doubling the amount of funds for the LTIP Program. There were a record 78 applications submitted for funding. The City of Cincinnati and Hamilton County submitted several costly applications. It looks like two of the three projects submitted by Green Township are presently above the funding cut off line. Reconstruction of Bluebird Lane is currently below the SCIP cut off. Mr. Schlimm will appeal some scoring issues with that project.

Director of Development, Adam Goetzman, announced that the Northeast Green Township Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, November 5, 2009, at the Green Township Administrative Complex, 6303 Harrison Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45247 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing proposed amendments to the Northeast Green Township Zoning Resolution. Development Director Goetzman stated that this hearing will be to update the zoning code and make some clarifications. Once this hearing has occurred and the changes have been approved by the Northeast Green Township Zoning Commission they will be submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval and a public hearing.

Fire Chief, Doug Witsken, reported that the Fire Department has been spending time reviewing operations in response to the H1N1 flu that is beginning to work its way through the County. The Fire Department is seeing an increase in emergency runs related to flu symptoms. The Fire & EMS Department is making preparations to open one of the community Points of Distribution (POD) when enough H1N1 vaccine is available for distribution to the public.

Police Chief, Bart West, reminded residents that Halloween will be celebrated on Saturday, October 31, 2009 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. The Police Department will have extra cars out on patrol that night. He asked parents to please escort their children and check all candy. Chief West also reported that today the Police Department arrested a woman who was selling tickets to the Haunted House that were stolen during a breaking and entering incident. Unfortunately, patrons were showing up at the Haunted House to redeem tickets that were not valid because they were stolen.

Police Chief, Bart West, announced that Lt. Mike Horton is retiring. Lt. Horton has served the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department for 28 years.

Chief West wished him well and expressed his appreciation for the fine job that he has done in Green Township.

Lt. Mike Horton, Hamilton County Sheriff's Department, stated that he has enjoyed his assignment in Green Township. He thanked Chief West for his support and thanked all the wonderful people he has encountered during his assignment to Green Township. Lt. Horton introduced Lt. Matt Guy. Lt. Guy will be Lt. Horton's replacement on an interim basis. Matt is an 18 year veteran of the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department. Chairman Winkler welcomed Lt. Guy and stated that she hopes that he will be able to stay longer than an interim basis. Chairman Winkler stated her appreciation for the work that Lt. Horton has done and wished him well in his retirement.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, November 9, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

Trustee Linnenberg moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Upton seconded the motion. Trustee Upton: Aye; Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Chairman Winkler: Aye. Meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

ATTEST: