

FINAL

Crosby Township Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2016

The regular meeting for October 10, 2016 was called to order by Mr. Dole at 7pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Niehaus and Mr. Heis were also present.

Motion by Mr. Niehaus to accept the Minutes from the regular meeting held September 12, 2016; Mr. Heis seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of bills by Mr. Heis and seconded by Mr. Niehaus. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Mr. Dole: none

Mr. Niehaus: none

Mr. Heis also had no correspondence to report.

Guests and Public:

Sheriff's report:

Sheriff's traffic detail report is as follows: Sergeant Downing reported: in September, 2016 there were 115 calls, 94 police and 21 assisting the fire department; 8 cases assigned to detectives with none closed; no stolen property reported, 4 speeding tickets were issued and 17 vacation checks were performed; see CROS attached report.

Public at large:

David Lentz, Executive Director for University of Cincinnati Center for Field Studies spoke and addressed Trustees concerning a proposed mixed-use Educational Research facility at the Whitewater Shaker Farm, Oxford Rd. This proposed facility would enhance and expand upon current research being conducted at this site currently. The proposed building will feature: Seminar rooms, sleeping quarters for students and researchers, library, kitchen, geothermal heating and solar power.

This extension is a natural progression for this site as its work has been productive and is expanding and have included SWLSD teachers as well as Great Parks of Hamilton County in its work. UC is hoping to provide a space at this field station to accommodate summer students to study extensively. UC is planning to apply for a variety of grants for funding, including Jeffers Foundation grants and Cincinnati Preservation Association resources. Now the University of Cincinnati is asking Crosby Township and Great Parks of Hamilton County to work cooperatively with them for additional potential grants. The Crosby Township Trustees were appreciative of this informational presentation.

Reports:

Legal:

Mr. Trenz had no report.

Maintenance Department:

Harry Meyers spoke concerning sealing the township parking lots (Senior Center and Firehouse). Mr. Meyers gathered two quotes, comparable to each other. The trustees consider the lowest bid considering that the work is the same and one bid is lower. Motion by Mr. Heis to contract with "Husac Paving and Excavating" to conduct this work, seconded by Mr. Niehaus. Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried.

Harry Meyers also advised the trustees that he will provide for some needed Fort Scott paved areas that need fill.

Fire/EMS:

Chief Downard was not present.

Community Coordinator:

See attached report for the extensive announcements from Community Coordinator Brenda Jackson, including announcing 2016 Reindeer Romp will be held on December 10, 2016 at 9am at Crosby Community Center.

Fiscal Officer:

Mr. Bibbo had no report.

Zoning:

Rick Espel reported four (4) new permits issued in September, 2016. Also, Rick reports that there is a Board Zoning Appeals meeting on October 18, 2016 concerning a potential new business (nursery) at corner of Oxford Rd. and Church St.

Mr. Dole asked Mr. Espel to investigate the concerns of residents of Fort Scott, re: street completion.

Old Business:

Mr. Dole: Fred Schlimm, County Engineer's office, corresponded with the township concerning the work on New Haven Road (approximately two week closure) from October 19-November 4, 2016.

Mr. Niehaus: Mr. Niehaus met with Mark Ginty from Cincinnati Water Works concerning complaints of low water pressure at Fort Scott. Mr. Ginty will conduct a public meeting on this topic at the Fort Scott Pool House at 7pm on October 19, 2016. All residents will be encouraged to attend this open meeting.

Mr. Heis: Mr. Heis reported on the WestJad meeting on Thursday, October 6, 2016 and that no final decision was determined concerning the future operations of WestJad. WestJad will discuss further, at their meeting on January 5, 2017, and decide the future of the organization; two levies currently support WestJad operations. Mr. Heis has spoken with Fire Chief Bruce Downard about the potential of no WestJad and Crosby Township's response; Mr. Heis reported that he spoke with Bruce and there are plans for Crosby's future without WestJad.

New Business:

Mr. Dole: none

Mr. Niehaus: none

Mr. Heis: none

Other concerns:

There being no further agenda topics and no further comments by the public in attendance, at 7:56pm Mr. Niehaus moved to adjourn the regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Heis. Roll call vote: Mr. Dole, yes; Mr. Niehaus, yes; Mr. Heis, yes. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Next regular meeting: **November 14, 2016 at 7pm.**

ATTEST:

Mr. Dole, President, Board of Trustees

Mr. Bibbo, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Crosby Township concerning and relating to adoptions or resolutions and or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.