

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of JERSEY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES Meeting
Held at 7:30 P.M.
January 5, 2015

Meeting called to order by Chairman Derek Myers and Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Trustees answering roll call: Ed Bright, Jim Endsley, Derek Myers.

Jersey Township Zoning Inspector-Ernest (Bud) Witney was present.

Fiscal Officer Beth Croak was present.

List of guests attached to minutes.

REPORTS

Zoning - Bud reported the following:

He talked to Brad about the resolution books regarding an update. Brad emailed Bud and said that he thought they would hope to have them done and finalized on January 23, 2015 including the amendments. Brad had made a recommendation on the Wilson zoning amendment that with the proposed interchange, they recommend re-evaluation this whole area because of the Comprehensive Plan. Do you guys want to look at the Comprehensive Plan now that you know there is a proposed interchange going in at Mink St. Derek said the interchange is at least a year out and he would like to see us to continue to work on focusing on updating the zoning/resolution book instead of going back and revisiting the Comprehensive Plan. Jim said without that zoning book updated, we're on shoestrings with the Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan is the only thing holding us back with the zoning. Derek thinks from a priority prospective, we should continue on with the zoning.

Monroe Township-Nothing

WLJFD- Derek reported there is new lawsuit brought against them by the chief and they got it moved to Federal Court and last Thursday he voluntarily removed the lawsuit. They have a hearing on Monday and Tuesday the 12th and 13th in Newark on one of the lawsuits. There were 4 items around public records requests and 4 around the open meeting stuff that he had brought charges against. That hearing is Monday and Tuesday. Derek has been subpoenaed to be in court on those dates. Karen Kitts asked, do you think he's doing this to try and cost you guys money? Derek cannot answer that. Regarding all of that, Jim had a resident ask "would it make sense for us to build a station here and have Monroe staff it and run both ends?" Can we do that? Derek said that is a definitely an option but he would like to know what New Albany's plans are South of 161 and see if it would be possible to get a portion of a building or piece of property or something because Monroe FD running out of a house is not a long term solution. Ed said it was his understanding they were going to build a station over there somewhere around the water tower. Derek said it would be nice if New Albany Company or somebody would give a piece of property and possibly help with those businesses finance a building and then either the township or Monroe or however we do that to staff that. Jim said he knows they are going to build a building by the water tower. They would equip it. That doesn't mean there would be all of the engines in there. Jim has brought it up at the annexation meetings that at some point and time there is going to have to be more fire protection brought in. Ed asked if they did put a new building in New Albany, would we still be partnering with West Licking? Derek said it would depend on how you would want to staff it. If you want Monroe to staff it, they'll probably want to increase millage. If you do it from West Licking, it becomes more of a levy passage. Derek said, with working with the new fire chief at West Licking, he believes they have the staffing, we could staff the station by moving people around if they had to. If we had a small station in this area, he could have a squad and a small fire truck up here. Jim asked "could it be a combination?" Derek said with the temporary fire chief that West Licking has and Chief Dudley Wright from Monroe, that's probably a possibility. Karen Kitts asked if we would have to build and we have land don't we?. Jim said we have a piece of property. Derek said they have the money. We've had that land surveyed a couple of times and when we talked to the people who construct fire houses,

they don't like that piece of property. They don't like the drainage on it. Karen said couldn't we sell it and buy something else? Jim said and we as a township have a piece of land. Derek said it's on the wrong side of the street, it's south of 161, North of Worthington Rd. Jim said but if it would ever be a combination firehouse, then it wouldn't matter what side of the street it's on because for West Licking to service south, it's easier for them to roll down hill than it is to come uphill. Derek said in theory you are correct, but it's like saying hey Jersey Township, would you plow St Alban's roads and let's say let's take Jersey Township's money and build a garage in St Alban's township. And then if the agreement goes away, all of a sudden you own a facility or entity that you know longer have jurisdiction in. Jim said that is exactly why when Monroe was trying to utilize this piece of ground out here, they were going after stimulus money and they said no, it has to be in our name. What they found out is that even though it's in their name, it's still our tax money. They can't spend those tax dollars somewhere else. The money they put in the house out there, they can't use somewhere else

Danny Howser asked if we have heard anything else more about the property by the cemetery? The tax deal? Derek said no he hasn't heard anything. The agreement was until December. Jim said he should have been contacting us last month.

COMMUNICATIONS-LETTERS-PHONE CALLS-

Beth-letter from Licking County River Round Up-Derek read.

Beth-letter from Licking County Recycling – letter with chart how much recycled. Jersey Township=174,000 pounds.

Jim-received phone call from Trina Terry from Florida regarding footer not being put in until Spring. Beth got the call too as well as Derek. The check fell behind her desk so was not deposited until November. Beth will call Trina.

Jim- Brian Reed from Terra Nova Builders. Send him an email or letter on letterhead stating Fitzwilliam Lane was patched to our satisfaction and we appreciate his attention. Beth will send.

Jim-Jeff has meeting January 8, 2015 with Strauser to look at 3 subdivisions: Cole, Fitzwillia, and Hidden Hills. When they went to the seminar with the County Engineer's Office/Strauser paving seminar, they found out that Strauser will come out and look at our roads and give us recommendations. Jeff wanted to get recommendations in those 3 subdivisions because of the way they are coming apart. Jim has tried to get ahold of Mid Ohio Paving and they haven't called him back. The Prosecutor said realistically, they weren't responsible after their 1 year warranty they gave us. Strauser will come out for free, look at them and then give us a recommendation. Jim doesn't think that is necessarily the only recommendation we should get but he feels it is important that we go ahead and do that.

Jim-we got all the trees cut that we talked about before. Jeff has 33 trees that he would like to get either trimmed or cut. He got a quote from Sutherland's Landscaping & Excavating. They gave us a price on these 33 trees. If we do them all, the cost would be \$10,850.00. If we do them all at the same time, they will give us a 10% discount which means they would do the whole project for \$9,765.00. They will chip it and he is kind of unclear whether they are going to haul the stuff away, He thinks they would haul away what the landowners don't want. Jeff was out sick today so he wasn't able to ask him. Derek asked if they were all ash trees. Jim said the majority of them are. Jim thinks we need to do them and this may not be all that we need to do this year. He thinks this is a pretty good price.

Jim made motion to accept bid from Sutherland's Landscaping & Excavating to take the trees down. Ed seconded the motion. Vote-Endsley, Bright, Myers; yes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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Jim - saved 3 spots for the Licking County Township Association Meeting on January 17, 2015.

Derek- got confirmation from Ohio Public Works regarding the payments on Beech Road.

Jim-is still waiting on the road maintenance agreement from New Albany. May have to have a special meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Jim-has email from Bill Lozier regarding meeting on January 23, 2015 to discuss TID. What he is afraid of is the amount of money they are spending to put this interchange in, he's afraid that the other roads aren't going to handle the traffic. So he went to ODOT and talked to Brad Briggs about this TID. It's some sort of funding that can be created between the Commissioners and the County Engineer and us and the State. Jim asked Derek if he knows anything about that? Derek said when they met down there with ODOT, that was one of the concerns. If they look at what they did at Beech Road, they didn't look out, they just put on their glasses and took a tunnel view at it. Derek said you are going to create traffic problems. The traffic problems that exist at Mink and Miller will only grow. The problems by his house on Mink, people running off that corner will grow, and you're only going to create problems down at Morse Road and Mink. He said if you are going to roll \$10 million in here, you also need to be looking at these 3 areas along this road to assist because we have had to get state money to do our end of Beech Road and you've put a 4 way stop sign in down at Beech and Morse. The bad spots are only going to get worse if you put an interchange in. Ed thinks Beaver Rd will be highly impacted. Jim thinks Clover Valley will be impacted too.

Jim said Scott Ryan will be at the January 23, 2015 meeting at Bill Lozier's office at Licking County at 10:00. Jim will attend. Karen Kitts asked if public is welcome or just for the trustees to discuss? Jim said, no just them discussing. There will only be 1 trustee and 1 Commissioner there. Jim said there have been a lot of emails back and forth regarding this. Jim emailed back and said another thing they need to be thinking about is funding for water and sewer for the commercial area. If we don't end up with an agreement with them and they end up with a trund going down here deep enough to get over here, Derek said they will end up getting it but the question is the cost. Jim said they/we have a certain amount of benefit from the agreement that the Commissioners made with Southwest Licking. But if Southwest Licking doesn't have a plan to end up here, when the need is here, then it's all for nothing. The discussion needs to be had. Ed said that Southwest has always said they would not run any line under no speculation, there's no speculation other than the potential is there. If you're going to go get TID funding to help the road system. Mark Jasenko asked what TID stands for. Jim said he did not know, the emails didn't specify. Danny Howser looked it up and it stands for Transportation Improvement District.

Jim-asked when can we apply for OPWC funding? Derek will have to check because he's not sure what the dates are, he thinks summer. Jim said Jeff has Reussner Road on his wish list for chip and seal already.

Next meeting February 2, 2015.

Public comments- None

Derek adjourned meeting.

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