

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## CANAAN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF MADISON COUNTY OHIO

### 2011 REGULAR SCHEDULED SESSION

Held: April 4, 2011 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

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The Canaan Township Trustees of Madison County met at the Canaan Twp. Bldg., 8055 US Highway 42 S., Plain City, Ohio 43064

In Attendance Trustees: Jim Meeker & Mark Ishmael  
Monroe Harbage absent due to personal reasons  
Fiscal Officer: Lisa Beachy  
Visitors: Tim Rose, Eli Gingerich

Draft copies of the March 7, 2011 minutes had been delivered to the Trustees in advance of the meeting. Meeker moved and Ishmael seconded that the minutes be accepted as delivered. The file copy was signed by members of the Board present and made available to the visitors present for inspection. Roll Call; Ishmael yes and Meeker yes.

Fiscal Officer Beachy presented the March 31, 2011 "Richwood Bank Reconciliation and Fund Balances" report that the Trustees reviewed and approved with their signatures. Ishmael asked if there was a bank balance to cover the presented checks, to which Fiscal Officer Beachy responded "yes". Purchase orders and checks were signed.

Administration: The Fiscal Officer's "March 2011 Activities Report" was reviewed by the Trustees. (See attachment).

The trustees approved with their signatures:

- Resolution 2011-4-1 See Resolution Book
  - \*Misc Expenses
- Resolution 2011\*4-2 See Resolution Book
  - \*KLA Risk Consultants 4 documents accepted
- Resolution 2011-4-3 See Resolution Book
  - \*New changes to Rental Reservation Form
- Resolution 2011-4-4 See Resolution Book
  - \*Fertilizer for Township & Cemetery

Tim Rose said that he removed the hazard trees on Smith Calhoun Rd. Ishmael talked with Mrs. Phipps about the tree at the corner of Rt 42 & Price Hilliard Rd. and she said that it looks like the tree still has some life. Jeff Phipps called Ishmael and left a message. Ishmael will be returning his call. Ishmael said the County could provide the equipment but not the personnel to remove this tree.

**The following items were discussed:**

Health & Safety: Sat. April 30<sup>th</sup> is the Tire Recycle day from 9am – 3pm at the Madison Co. Fairgrounds. Electronics can be dropped off for a \$15 fee.

Ishmael contacted Jennifer at the Madison County Health Dept. to establish a policy or code for irresponsible landlords who rent properties in unlivable conditions. Ishmael will have to work with Steve Pronai (prosecutor office) and Dave Hughes (zoning), and Commissioners to complete.

Zoning: Pronai has filed against the Mahoney property in Amity. Pronai will contact Ishmael when he goes to court. Harbage & Ishmael attended the Farmland Preservation Plan Meeting. The next 8 months, they will be attending meetings of the Farmland Preservation in relation to the Comprehensive Plan.

Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, zoning meeting has been cancelled due to the Annual Madison County Township Association Fish Fry.

Fire: Passed a resolution to hire 5 part time firemen in agreement with the Union negotiations. Quote from Sutphen on the fire truck of \$380,000.00. \$420,000.00 total with updates, radios, etc. Fire Dept. pursuing building a pole building to store equipment and it will be priced under \$25,000.00. Toni Stevens is currently going through an audit right now for the Fire Dept. Fire Dept. received a Fire Fighter grant of \$25,000.00.

Roads: Beachy reported that she saw painting on the northeast side of the Amity Pike bridge by the Big Darby. The County has filled in many holes on the Country/Township roads. Eli Gingerich suggested salting Glenview Dr. next year. David Brand said the County will be installing new signs by 2012. Meeker talked with Doug Beachy and confirmed that the United Bethel Church Youth Group is willing to perform the annual road/ditch clean up on Sat. April 16<sup>th</sup>. Meeker moved and Ishmael seconded to donate \$1350.00 to the United Bethel Church Youth Group for cleaning up the Township ditches/roads for 2011. Meeker moved and Ishmael seconded to have A&J container provide a 15yd container for the road/ditch waste for no more than \$350.00 for 2011. All yes; Ishmael yes and Meeker yes.

Meeker said that the mowers are in at JD Equipment and they should be delivered soon.

Eli Gingerich said that the 2 front tires on the John Deere tractor SN #E260236 need replaced.

Meeker moved and Ishmael seconded to purchase 2 tires from Wilson Tire and replace the tires on the John Deere tractor SN #E260236 plus the service call for no more than \$815.00. All yes; Ishmael yes and Meeker yes.

Eli Gingerich called Gingway to weld toolboxes on the JD Tractors. He took the stainless steel Canaan Township post to Gingway to fix. They are about 3weeks out on work right now.

Meeker will contact the Sheriff's Office regarding insurance information for an individual who ran over the Township mailbox and SS post.

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Roads: cont:      Meeker verified that we did not purchase any Triplett for spraying the ditches last fall. Carl at the County said that they will be picking up branches in ditches including Smith Calhoun Rd.

Cemetery:      Eli Gingerich and Pete Hammond cut down a tree and hauled the debris to Kurtz Bros. Harbage found out at the 2011 OTA Winter Conf. that we cannot pay rental for equipment to our employee; it is a conflict of interest. We must reimburse mileage. Gingerich has not installed cameras at Cemetery. 1 or 2 stumps need to be removed by Tim Rose in the future. Ishmael talked with Earl Osborne regarding purchasing additional land for the Cemetery. Ishmael told Osborne that the Township would not pay \$19,000.00 per acre. The Township would need approximately 3.6 acres. Mr. Osborne needs to speak with his sister. Ishmael suggested speaking with Pete Hammond to make sure the Big Darby Church does not want any additional property. The ash tree in Cemetery is not sound. Mr. Rose suggested using a crane to remove the large limbs so they don't fall on the monuments. Ishmael called Cheryl McKown about the Fuller Cemetery location and emailed her with directions. Beachy will have the Cemetery Regulations ready for next month's meeting since Harbage is absent tonight. Trustees said that we need to purchase some tools for the Cemetery so Pete Hammond can service the mower at the Cemetery.

Building:      Meeker said that Clay from Wick Buildings has been to the building to look at the damage to the side of the overhead door. Pete Hammond and Eli Gingerich replaced the Township mailbox and moved the location next to the Township building. Gingerich will purchase the fertilizer from Heritage this week. It may be more than originally priced. Gingerich asked if he can remove the braces on the trees in the lawn at the Township. Trustees agreed. Trustees will discuss filling the cracks in the parking lot at next month's meeting.

Misc:      Ishmael presented everyone with a Canaan Township Open Tasks List to help keep track of items discussed from meeting to meeting. Ishmael said that they will be discussing the First Energy Aggregate at the Annual Madison Co. Township Assn. Fish Fry on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. Meeker moved and Ishmael seconded to join in and participate in the Countywide First Energy Aggregate on the November ballot. All yes; Ishmael yes and Meeker yes. Beachy will not be attending the LGOC at the Hyatt in Columbus OH this year due to personal commitments. Beachy asked if the time of the meeting on Monday May 2 could be changed due to getting ready for the Election Day on Tue. May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Meeker moved and Ishmael seconded to change the time from 7:00pm to 1:00pm on Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. All yes; Ishmael yes and Meeker yes. Beachy will fax the change to the Madison Press and the Madison Messenger.

Ishmael moved that the meeting be adjourned and Meeker seconded. Roll Call; Ishmael yes, and Meeker yes

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Fiscal Officer

Trustees \_\_\_\_\_  
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