

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

CANAAN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF MADISON COUNTY OHIO

Meeting to Prepare 2010 Budget

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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, Monroe Harbage, and Don Whitmer
Fiscal Officer: Lisa Beachy
Vistors: Mark Ishmael, Collette Whitmer, George Roby & Eli Gingerich

Chairman Whitmer opened the meeting.

Administrative:

The draft copies of the December 7, 2009 minutes had been mailed to the Trustees a few days earlier and will be presented for approval at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Prepared December 2009 pay period payroll checks (including year end bonus for hourly workers), pending purchase orders and vender checks were signed by the Trustees.

Resolution 2009-12-6 See Resolution Book

*Misc Expenses paid since last meeting

Budget Receipts Evaluation:

Fiscal Officer Beachy reported that she received the "Estimated Property Tax Revenue" figures. The Trustees compared the past year's receipts with the Auditor's projections.

Resolution 2010-12-7 See Resolution Book

*2010 1.5 Mill Estimated Property Tax Revenue

The 2009 UAN "Receipts Status Report" was discussed, past years figures compared and the following determination made.

Resolution 2009-12-8 See Resolution Book

*Year End 2010 Sources Available for Expenditure

Budget Appropriations Evaluation:

The Trustees reviewed the "12/28/09 UAN Appropriation Status Report" which lists line item appropriations with last year's budget, amounts encumbered and spent to date. Planned projects were discussed. Each line item budget figure was updated with the exception of hourly wage and benefits. Fiscal Officer Beachy will provide her estimates for these. She will then look at total planned appropriations in comparison to the estimated money available to spend in 2010. Adjustments may need to be made before submitting to the "Certificate of Total Amount From all Sources" worksheet to the County Budget Commission to receive the 2010 permanent budget certificate.

Health Benefits:

Health benefits are offered to the new Board members as reflected in Resolution 2003-12-3 (12/22/2003) and its later life insurance update Resolution 2005-12-1 (12/31/2005). No group major medical plan has been set in place. Fiscal Officer Beachy suggested that the \$12,500 maximum reimbursement of premiums for major medical may need to be reconsidered in the future as the impact on the general fund would be considerable if all members utilized the full allowance.

New Trustee Ishmael would like to sign up for the disability insurance from Teacher's Protective Mutual Insurance Co. The trustees would like F.O. Beachy to contact the company to find out more details about the disability policy. She will have that information at the Jan. 6, 2010 meeting.

Misc:

Meetings in 2010 will continue to be held the first Monday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Township meeting room, unless otherwise posted. The organizational meeting has been changed from Monday, January 4, 2010 to Wednesday, January 6, 2009 at 7:00 PM. Fiscal Officer Beachy will fax the change to The Madison Press and Madison Messenger.

Fiscal Officer Beachy presented a contract from the Board of Elections to use our facilities for 2-3 elections in 2010. The trustees agreed to allow the BOE use the Township facilities.

Meeker wondered if the township should consider selling the Bobcat at the Cemetery and purchasing a small tractor. Whitmer stated that the trustees should try to make it work and maybe get some training for the individuals who will operate the Bobcat. If they replaced it with a tractor they would have to consider storage issues and they may not be able to get enough out of the Bobcat to warrant changing. Trustee Harbage agreed with Whitmer. Meeker suggested they purchase a tiller for the Cemetery to work up the dirt around the graves. Harbage agreed this would be a good idea. Harbage said that we need a new dump trailer for the Cemetery as well.

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Misc: Fiscal Officer Beachy asked if David Wilson will be working for the Township in the future. Meeker said that he is probably done due to his health concerns. He will have him sign a Resignation Letter next week.

Harbage will talk with John Lewis about how much he will work in 2010. He was unable to do any weedeating this fall and a decision needs to be made. We have another resident who is interested in working at the Cemetery.

Trustee Whitmer agreed with Meeker's suggestion to installing a stone wall around the circle area at the back of the Cemetery. It would look much better than the steel posts and would keep vehicles off the grass in the circle.

Before the meeting, we enjoyed cake and ice cream since Trustee Whitmer will be done with his Trustee duties as of 12/31/2009. Whitmer thanked everyone for their support. Whitmer will continue to be involved with the Steering Committee for the 2010 Comprehensive Plan.

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

Fiscal Officer

Trustees _____

