

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## CANAAN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF MADISON COUNTY OHIO

### 2009 REGULAR SCHEDULED SESSION

Held: July 8, 2009 7:00 PM – 8:30 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: Don Whitmer, Monroe Harbage & Jim Meeker  
Fiscal Officer: Lisa Beachy  
Visitors: Klaas Friesen, Kirk McLinn and Eli Gingerich

Draft copies of the June 1, 2009 minutes had been mailed to the Trustees in advance of the meeting. Meeker moved and Harbage seconded that the minutes be accepted as mailed. Roll Call; Whitmer yes, Harbage yes and Meeker yes. The file copy was signed by all members of the Board and made available to the visitors present for inspection.

Administration: The Fiscal Officer's "June 2009 Activities Report" was reviewed by the Trustees. (See attachment).

Fiscal Officer Beachy presented the June 2009 "Richwood Bank Reconciliation and Fund Balances" report that the Trustees reviewed and approved with their signatures. Whitmer 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.

The trustees approved with their signatures:

- Resolution 2009-7-1 See Resolution Book
  - \*Misc Expenses paid since last meeting
- Resolution 2009-7-2 See Resolution Book
  - \*Sherms Service addition
- Resolution 2009-7-3 See Resolution Book
  - \*Misc Expenses
- Resolution 2009-7-4 See Resolution Book
  - \*Tree Removal @ Smith Calhoun & Amity Pike
- Resolution 2009-7-5 See Resolution Book
  - \*2009 OTA Summer Conference

Fiscal Officer Beachy expressed her thanks for being able to take her vacation last month and that things went smoothly while she was gone. F. O. Beachy said that she received the final copy of the Regular Audit for 2007-2008. The audit was successful with no findings. Whitmer thanked her for a job well done. F. O. Beachy said that she received notification from the Auditor's office of an impending estate tax receipt.

The following items were discussed:

Health & Safety: Meeker went to the Health Dept. to pick up the letters for the residents in Amity; John Lewis, Thomas Cole, Delmar Noland and the Hill property. Meeker called Gregory Wilson concerning his neighbor Sparks about removing his trucks. Animals are moving into the buildings.

Zoning: Whitmer said he will attend the Regional Planning Meeting in August.

Fire: Meeker said that several resolutions were passed. The Amateur Radio Club has requested to install a new tower on the west end of the building. No one had any problems with this and suggested contacting the local Sheriff's office to see if this would be of any benefit to their office. The state audit is going on right now.

Roads: Harbage said that Township resident, Eli Hostetler complained about the lack of mowing of the Township ditches. Whitmer said that he has also received similar complaints. He stated that if he is re-elected this fall, the mowing will change in the future.  
Klaas Friesen said that the culvert at Iams Rd. and Amity Pike is blocked with gravel. The Trustees said the Kilbury Huber and Kilbury Rd culvert is also filled with gravel. Whitmer said that we should let the County know. Price Hilliard and Rt 42 have large holes.  
Eli Gingerich said that he had some bad news...he hit a guide wire with the JD tractor on Kilbury Huber Rd and tore a hole in the fiberglass cab. He contacted JD Equipment and they said it could be repaired with a fiberglass kit. Meeker told Eli to go to NAPA to get the materials and fix the tractor. Whitmer thanked Eli for his honesty concerning the situation. Eli had good news.....our new hire, Ted Thompson, is a good worker and he feels he will be good for the Township.  
Whitmer said that some Johnson Grass is growing on Smith Calhoun. He would like Eli to spray it before it goes to seed. Whitmer met with Darryl Eades concerning the cleanup on Smith Calhoun. He said that they cleaned the drain where people have been dumping trash. They don't recommend a guardrail but would prefer to go with a cable. Whitmer said there is still some limbs and brush that needs to be removed in the area.

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- Roads(cont): Harbage wanted to let the Township know that the County has still not fixed the 8-9 inch dip in the road in front of his house. It seems to be getting worse.
- Cemetery: The Township sold Lot #342 A&B this month. Harbage said that the Cemetery looked nice for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. Harbage said that he has tried to contact Lee Miller 2-3 times with no luck. Whitmer said that he will contact Mr. Miller and make arrangements to meet with the Trustees at the Cemetery after July 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Building: Meeker said that he is not satisfied with the new emergency door installation...cheap trim, crack in the door and bad caulking. All of the Trustees agreed. Eli said that he can tighten the door and will install tile on the floor. Doug Peterman installed the Exit sign and the light on the outside of the building per code.  
Fiscal Officer Beachy said that since we lock the door to the shop when the meeting room is rented, the renters can no longer take the trash out to the trash bin. Eli said that he will check after a rental and move the trash to the trash bin. Have the renters leave the bagged trash in the kitchenette.  
Meeker said that the 4-H group Madison County Kids would like to clean up around the outside of the new emergency door as a community service project. Meeker also suggested that they could do cleanup of weeds at the Cemetery around the flagpole. Whitmer asked one of our visitors, Kirk McLinn, about the white dust in the wash bay. He said that the white dust is the salt working its way up out of the concrete. He suggested applying a muratic acid to pull out the salt and re-sealing the floor with an oil base sealer not a water base.  
Meeker had the 3 posters F.O. Beachy purchased and 1943 plot map framed at Hobby Town. They looked great and will look nice once hung on the wall.
- Misc: Fiscal Officer Beachy will send in the registration fee for Harbage to attend the 2009 OTA Summer Conference in Marietta, OH. Harbage has arranged for his hotel accommodations in Marietta. He will drop off a check for his additional expenses to be sent to the OTA.

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

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Fiscal Officer

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