

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## CANAAN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF MADISON COUNTY OHIO

### 2009 REGULAR SCHEDULED SESSION

Held: May 4, 2009 1:00 PM – 3:30 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: Kirk McLinn

Draft copies of the April 6, 2009 minutes had been mailed to the Trustees in advance of the meeting. Harbage moved and Meeker seconded that the minutes be accepted as mailed. The file copy was signed by all members of the Board and made available to the visitors present for inspection. Roll Call; Whitmer yes, Harbage yes and Meeker yes

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

Fiscal Officer Beachy presented the April 6, 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 2009-5-1 See Resolution Book
  - \*Misc Expenses
- Resolution 2009-5-2 See Resolution Book
  - \*Stonehugger
- Resolution 2009-5-3 See Resolution Book
  - \*Spring 2009 Trash Pick-up
- Resolution 2009-5-4 See Resolution Book
  - \*New emergency door installation
- Resolution 2009-5-5 See Resolution Book
  - \*Berming for Roads
- Resolution 2009-5-6 See Resolution Book
  - \*Cemetery Replacement Roof
- Resolution 2009-5-7 See Resolution Book
  - \*Topsoil for Cemetery
- Resolution 2009-5-8 See Resolution Book
  - \*OTARMA risk premium

Fiscal Officer Beachy asked the Trustees if Katherine Plank could rent the Township Meeting Room, Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup> and come in before noon. All Trustees agreed that it would be OK.

Fiscal Officer Beachy asked how to proceed with Gary Miller and if he would be employed this summer. She said she would send him a resignation letter in the mail.

F.O. Beachy said that the Board of Elections would be sending a letter in the near future concerning our handicap signs. If they get a 5 year contract to use our building for elections then they can receive a grant to update our handicap signs with the addition of \$250 fine wordings.

The following items were discussed:

Health & Safety: John Lewis has expressed concern that the Madison Co. Health Dept. entered his property. He was confronted 6years earlier about this issue and was not pushed due to health reasons. Harbage suggested that the Health Dept send him a letter regarding the tires on his property. The Health Dept. is planning on moving the trailer located on the Hill property in Amity and making it a more sellable lot.

Zoning: Harbage and Meeker plan on attending the Zoning Meeting this evening in London. The Ron Winn property located at Rt. 42 & Price Hilliard is on the schedule. All of the Trustees agree unanimously that safety is the main issue concerning the zoning of this property. Harbage stated that he would like to see a traffic light at the Rt. 42 & Price Hilliard intersection. Also on the schedule at the Zoning meeting is the Alton Beachy property for an auto repair business. The Trustees do not mind this business however; they are concerned about the proper signage in front of the property. Whitmer brought up the issue of a possible soccer field at Carters Mill & Hayden Run Rd. It could be an increase of 10000 vehicles in the area and up to 30 soccer fields. The main concern is traffic and drainage for the property. The Mid Ohio Select Soccer League has made a deposit on the property with an option to buy pending approval. They are looking for a Conditional Use Permit under Agricultural Use for the property. It falls in the category of Parks and Recreation. Whitmer plans on contacting David Brand, Madison Co. Engineer concerning this matter. Whitmer was contacted by Township resident, Esther Manker concerning the Darby Creek Nursery located on Amity Pike. Meeker and Whitmer went to the property to check out her concerns. They found dumping in a waterway. Whitmer contact the Soil and Water Conservation Dept to look into this issue

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Fire: Meeker said they had to re-do the budget due to a grant that the Fire Dept received. They also discussed what to do if the Fire Levy does not pass in November 2009. They need to have a contingency plan.

Roads: Whitmer traveled all the County Township roads and was very pleased with the excellent job the United Bethel Youth Group did cleaning up the roadside. Roofing supplies have been dumped on Smith Calhoun. The County picked up the trash before Eli had a chance to get there. The mowers are ready but we will wait a little longer to get started. Whitmer suggested mowing the 1<sup>st</sup> pass along the ditches for a couple of times.

Cemetery Harbage was going to meet with Dale Peterman concerning the Cemetery electric and tile but his son had an accident and Peterman needed to cancel. Helen Wildermuth with Stonehugger Restoration is working on Phase IV of the Big Darby Cemetery Restoration project. She took our notebooks with pictures to complete and we will have 8 notebooks with pictures when she is done. She is repairing the foundation wall on the Wilson Plot. Harold Yoder is waiting on a load of his materials from Holmes Lumber to start working on the Cemetery Vault roof. They only deliver to this area when they have a truckload full. Harbage said the Mausoleum brick is breaking off and has large crack. He plans on having Harold Yoder check on the condition when he replaces the roof. John Lewis is finishing up the Cemetery mowing today. George Roby is going to go to the Cemetery to help weed eat. Check weeds around flag pole-spread Preen or Roundup The trustees decided to hire part time help. Whitmer will check with Eli to see what he needs. Meeker moved and Whitmer seconded to hire part time help for the summer season. Harbage abstained since his son-in-law has applied for a job. Roll call: Whitmer: yes and Meeker: yes

Building: Meeker spoke with Sherms Service to clean the shop floor and spread sealer in the large service bay area. They do not recommend sealer in the bay with the IH Truck because the salt would dissolve the sealer. Meeker moved and Harbage seconded to spend \$1050.00 to have the shop floor cleaned and only the large bay sealed. Roll Call: Whitmer: yes, Harbage: yes and Meeker: yes. Meeker contacted American Pavements about the cracks in the Township driveway. They said it would cost at least \$750.00. The Trustees agreed that this was too high. Meeker said he would check with Levin Hudson with the Madison Co. Engineer's Office to see if they would help the Township. Meeker said that Dave Helmuth is waiting on the delivery of the door for the emergency entrance in the kitchenette. I will contact Eli to get a Certificate of Insurance for Dave Helmuth. Harbage spoke with Dave Peterman concerning the electrical work for the new door installation. Mr. Peterman said to call him anytime to move the electric and light for the door. Meeker asked F.O. Beachy to get flowers for the containers for the township. She said she would and would purchase the flowers from Yonie's Greenhaus a local Township business.

Misc: Fiscal Officer Beachy said she attended the Local Gov't Officials Conference in Columbus on April 23-24, 2009.

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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