

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## CANAAN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF MADISON COUNTY OHIO

### 2009 REGULAR SCHEDULED SESSION

Held: September 9, 2009 7:00 PM –8:45 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: Monroe Harbage & Jim Meeker  
Don Whitmer absent due to health reasons  
Fiscal Officer: Lisa Beachy  
Visitors: Mark Ishmael, Tim Rose & Darryl Miller

V. Chairman Meeker opened the meeting. Draft copies of the August 3, 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. Roll Call; Harbage yes and Meeker yes. The file copy was signed by all members of the Board present and made available to the visitors present for inspection. Trustee Harbage suggested we send a copy of the minutes to Mark Ishmeal since he is running for one of the Trustee positions.

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

Fiscal Officer Beachy presented the August 2009 "Richwood Bank Reconciliation and Fund Balances" report that the Trustees reviewed and approved with their signatures. Meeker 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 2009-9-1 See Resolution Book
  - \*Misc Expenses
- Resolution 2009-9-2 See Resolution Book
  - \*Misc Expenses paid since last meeting
- Resolution 2009-9-3 See Resolution Book
  - \*Avizent BWC pool
- Resolution 2009-9-4 See Resolution Book
  - \*Posts along ditch on Smith Calhoun Rd.
- Resolution 2009-9-5 See Resolution Book
  - \*Unique Paving Materials

Fiscal Officer Beachy asked Trustee Harbage if we needed to change October's meeting time. He said no, he would be able to be at the scheduled Monday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. Harbage moved and Meeker seconded that we change the time for the November 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting from 7pm to 1pm in order to set up for the November 3<sup>rd</sup> election day. Roll Call; Harbage yes and Meeker yes

Fiscal Officer Beachy said that on Wed. Sept. 2, Bernie Vance and Bob Baldrige from the Plain City Historical Society and Dorothy Richman from the Madison Co. Historical Society came to the Township Building to look through our Historical records before we can dispose of this paperwork. The PC Historical Society took many boxes since Mrs. Richman said that it should stay with our Historical Society. She was able to find some old pens that she took back to the Madison Co. Historical Society. Only a few boxes are left and Fiscal Officer Beachy said that she will schedule a day in the future for the public to look through the remaining boxes.

Meeker asked our guest, Tim Rose, to state his business. Mr. Rose said that he lives in Canaan Township on Hayden Run Rd. He runs Central Ohio Tree & Stump Removal and is a certified arborist. He is interested in helping the Township and County with their tree needs. Harbage suggested he contact Levin Hudson with the Madison Co. Engineer's Office. The county currently uses Peterman Tree Service for Co. use and the Township uses its employees or contacts the Co. Mr. Rose wondered about the tree at the Phipps' property located at the corner of Rt. 42 & Price Hilliard. The trustees stated that this tree is on private property and the Co. has approached the owner to remove the tree but the owner has refused.

Darryl Miller with Lee Miller Excavating discussed his estimate for the drainage and electrical issues at the Big Darby Cemetery. Harbage said that he talked with Levin Hudson and David Brand and they both said that the state destroyed the catch basin when they put in the new road and now the Co. wants us to replace it when we do this work. There are 3 things that need to be completed: install a catch basin, pull electric back to the flag pole and fix 3 open tiles on the ditch side. Meeker asked Mr. Miller how long this project would take and if he can have it done by November. Mr. Miller said that the project should take 4-5 days and he should have it completed by the end of November. Harbage asked if Mr. Miller has a drawing to show the church Trustees. Harbage said that he will set up a time to meet with church Trustees to gain permission to cross their property. Harbage moved and Meeker seconded to spend up to \$9,000.00 to repair and install tile and run electric to the flag pole. Roll Call; Harbage yes and Meeker yes. Harbage said that he will contact Mr. Osborne and let him know that we will be putting gravel under the fence along his property to assist in drainage. Harbage will also contact Doug Peterman to hook up the electric at the flag pole.

The following items were discussed:

Health & Safety: Nothing to Report

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- Zoning: Madison Co. Zoning notified the Township that Clarence Maxwell is requesting rezoning of a 5 acre plot and a 14 acre plot. The trustees have no objection to this zoning.
- Fire: Meeker said that the Fire Dept. had a large maintenance bill last month of \$4500.00. The Medic Truck with 90000 mi blew an engine but is still under warranty. The Fire Board is just starting discussions on purchasing another medic unit.
- Roads: Levin Hudson has not been out to check on the guardrail to be installed on Smith Calhoun Rd. He said the Township cannot put steel posts with reflective tape on the inside but only on the outside. Mr. Ishmeal asked about the culvert that was replaced in Amity if the Co. was going to reinstall the guardrails. The culvert was replaced so a crane to be used on the Amity Pike Bridge could cross. The Township had a complaint about an evergreen blocking the line of sight at Kauffman & PC Lafayette. Whitmer had contacted the homeowner and the homeowner trimmed the limbs on the tree. Meeker had an update on the Amity Pike Bridge project. He spoke with ODOT today and they are pouring cement Thursday for the walls and finishing up with cement and asphalt. They are in the process of planting 170 plants. The bridge should be open by the end of the month.
- Cemetery: Harbage said that Champaign Landmark told Eli that he should not spray the thistles in the Cemetery until the end of Sept. Harbage said that the guys got the entire Cemetery weed eaten today. Bob Graber will be opening a grave Thursday for a burial on Friday. Eli will haul the dirt out and bring it back on Friday afternoon.
- Building: Meeker said that he watered all the trees this weekend. He would like to contact Leonard Rihl with Evergreen Landscaping about getting trees from the Farm Science Review. Last year Mr. Rihl said that it would cost \$150/tree. Harbage suggested that Meeker check with Darby Creek Landscaping to compare prices or with Willoway who is a wholesaler. Meeker said that he had talked with JD Equipment about trading the 2 JD Tractors. In order to keep them under warranty, the Township needs to trade every 2-3 years. If the Township trades, we need to let them know no later than November. Right now the Township can trade for \$13467.00 but both Trustees agreed, they would like to talk about this with Trustee Whitmer at the next meeting. Meeker said that he received the estimates for the repairs needed to the master cylinder on the IH Truck. The master cylinder that raises the truck bed has a bad leak. It needs to be repaired before winter. After the trustees reviewed the estimates it was agreed that we could purchase the cylinder and have it installed for less than the estimate. Eli Gingerich said that he had Lawrence Gingerich look at the truck and Mr. Gingerich said that he could install the cylinder for approximately \$400.00. Harbage moved and Meeker seconded that we spend up to \$1200 to purchase the replacement cylinder plus \$200 for shipping and up to \$500.00 for the labor to install the cylinder. Roll Call; Harbage yes and Meeker yes.
- Misc: Nothing to Report
- Harbage moved that the meeting be adjourned and Meeker seconded. Roll Call; Harbage yes and Meeker yes

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Fiscal Officer

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