

The Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees met in regular session at the Bainbridge Town Hall on January 26, 2009. Those present were trustees Mr. Matthew J.D. Lynch, Ms. Linda W. White and Fiscal Officer Mrs. Cherianne H. Measures. Mr. Jeffrey S. Markley was absent. Mr. Lynch presided and called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Lynch made a motion to go into executive session to discuss imminent litigation.

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The trustees recessed their regular meeting at 7:01 P.M. in order to go into executive session to discuss imminent litigation.

The trustees returned from executive session after discussing imminent litigation reconvening their meeting at 7:10 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Legal Counsel

Mr. Lynch made a motion to accept representation by the Geauga County Prosecutor's office in the Payne v. Ohio Valley Energy case regarding the damages and expenses concerning the water well at the Bainbridge Police Department.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief Jimison presented the monthly reports for November and December of 2008. Year end reports should be forthcoming within three to four weeks.

Ms. White asked Chief Jimison where the department stood on the digital radio conversion. It was determined that a decision could be determined after the planning meeting the trustees will hold in March.

Chief Jimison stated that it is not necessary to continue our membership in VERCOG as the costs have just gone too high. Chief Jimison will make the necessary phone calls to exit this group.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the promotion of Patrolman John Ross from Probationary Grade D Patrolman to Grade D Patrolman per the recommendation of the Police Chief.

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the purchase order for Odyssey Printwear in the amount of \$1,400.00 per the recommendation of the Police Chief. (P.O. 008-09)

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the purchase order for ABC Computing Services in the amount of \$5,000.00 per the recommendation of the Police Chief. (P.O. 009-09)

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The requested Blanket Certificates for the Police Department will be reviewed by the trustees and will come before the board on February 2, 2009.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

##### Kenston Stadium Project

Dr. Scott Shell presented letters to the trustees from the Kenston Athletic Sports Boosters, a 501-C3 organization, stating their willingness to accept any contributions the Township would like to make to the Stadium Project and follow through to make sure the money is spent for that purpose, should the trustees decide to make a contribution.

Mr. Dan Lindner debated the legality of the township donating money toward this project.

Mr. Greg Randall asked for clarification on the money donated in the past for the playground fund. Ms White stated that she had spoken to Prosecutor David Joyce and the official ruling is that it is illegal to give money to the schools. This may include donating to a 501-C3 for a purpose that becomes school property.

Mr. Ted Seliga asked if the trustees were even considering a donation to the Stadium Project. Mr. Lynch stated that the board is waiting for a legal opinion before making a final decision.

##### Historical Society

The Historical Society would like to put up historical photos and displays in the various township buildings possibly in a display case. There are still not solid plans for the Tucek house.

## Town Hall Renovations

Steve Ciciretto presented plans with an alternate use for one room which involves changing a door and wall across a hallway. A decision did not need to be made immediately regarding this option. Construction drawings will be done by the end of February at which time Mr. Ciciretto will seek authorization for bids.

## TRUSTEES CORNER

Ms. White announced that the Park Board was presented with a possible change to their reservation policy by member David Jones. This presentation was called Window of Opportunity. Ms. White stated she would like the Park Board to look at this proposal with serious consideration.

Mr. Lynch received a letter from Mark Tiefl regarding the long-term scheduling of Bainbridge School. Their request will be here this week. The proposal should be here by week end for discussion next meeting.

Ms. White announced that the Geauga County Commissioners will have a meeting on March 24, 2009 6:30 P.M. in the front room of the Bainbridge Town Hall. This will be a public meeting regarding the Kenston Lakes Dam.

Ms. White suggested that the trustees hold a work session to discuss the Township's five year plan and large purchases from the investment funds.

Mr. Lynch stated that the McGill group will be in next week to make a formal presentation for a JEDD for the south side of Marketplace at Four Corners.

## TOWN HALL

### OLD BUSINESS

#### Legal Invoices

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Walter & Haverfield invoice in the amount of \$327.10.

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Cemetery Expansion

The trustees were in general agreement to hold the final invoice for the Cemetery Expansion to be reviewed and approved by the Cemetery Board. Copies of the invoices should be given to Linda Zimmerman to present at the Cemetery Board Meeting.

Cable Television

Time Warner cable has revised their resolution regarding the provision of free basic cable to local government facilities. The Police Department and Fire Department will continue to receive free cable, but the Road Department and Town Hall will not. After reviewing the options presented by the Fiscal Officer, Ms. White made a motion to authorize the purchase of two 19" HDTVs and two digital antennae, one for each location, and to terminate the cable service to these two locations as soon as possible. (P.O. 010-09)

Mr. Lynch seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

New Business

Professional Training

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the professional training request for Mr. John Montville per the recommendation of Chief Phan.

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Blanket Certificates

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the list of Blanket Certificates for up to \$5,000 each for vendors used on a regular basis for vehicle maintenance, EMS, and Fire Department Building per the recommendation of Chief Phan.

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Maintenance

EMS

Fire Department Building

NAPA  
Kwik Kleen  
Kinzua  
Praxair

Warren Fire Equip.  
Bountree Medical  
Emergency Med. Products  
Medtronic

Sunrise Spring  
Cintas  
Gillmore Security  
Ullman Oil  
Kineticco

ROAD DEPARTMENT

New Business

Savage Road Easement

Mr. Lynch made a motion to accept the easements for drainage purposes for the reconstruction of Savage Road for future access to crosspipe replacements per the recommendation of Road Superintendent Mr. Halko.

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Savage Road Project

Ms. White made a motion to make Mr. Matthew J.D. Lynch the Chief Executive Officer on the Ohio Public Works Commission Appendix E - Disbursement Request Form and Certificate for the Savage Road Project.

Mr. Lynch seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to accept the Change Order #1 for the Savage Road Project in the amount of \$423,397.36 payable to Ronyak Paving, Inc. per the recommendation of Road Superintendent Mr. Halko.

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The trustees were in general agreement to take a 10 minute break at 9:08 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 9:14 P.M.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

Old Business

The trustees were in general agreement to send a response letter to resident.

New Business

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Professional Training request for Zoning Inspector Michael Joyce to attend a class on March 12 - 13, 2009.

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Minutes

The trustees were in general agreement to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2009 as read.

CORRESPONDENCE

Thank you note from Kathy at Lowes Greenhouse. RE: Purchase of Fruit Baskets.

Copy of letter to Mr. Hugh Edwards, Canyon Lakes Colony Co. from the Ohio EPA, dated January 2, 2009. RE: Geauga County Chagrin River Watershed - Canyon Lakes Colony PH 13A

Bainbridge Township Cemetery Board Meeting Minutes, dated December 3, 2008.

Bainbridge Township Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting Minutes, dated December 18, 2008 and January 10, 2009.

Memo from the Geauga County Planning Commission, dated January 14, 2009. RE: Agenda for January 20, 2009.

Copy of letter to Mr. Chris Brown, Prestige Homes from the Geauga County Planning Commission, dated January 21, 2009. RE: Canyon Lake Colony Subdivision No. 12-A (Replat of Sublots 264 and 265) - Final Plat.

Copy of letter to R. L. Phillips, Geauga County Engineer from the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, dated January 12, 2009. RE: Resolution to replace a traffic signal at the intersection of Washington Street and Snyder Road.

Letter from Robert Weisdack, Health Commissioner, dated January 21, 2009. RE: Replacement for Presidency of the HDAC.

Memo from Robert R. Reid, Jr. City Manager, City of Bedford, Ohio, dated January 8, 2009. RE: Southeast Council of Governments Annual Meeting.

Since there was no further business to come before this meeting of the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 P.M.