

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2009**

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Regular Session at 7:00pm
on Tuesday, August 11, 2009 with all three Trustees present.

Also in attendance: Fiscal Officer Ron Smith, Zoning Director Marshall Lewis, Road Superintendent Tom Hewitt, and Fire Chief Scott McKibben.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL:	Mr. William C. Smith	-	Present
	Mr. Christopher B. Nichols	-	Present
	Mr. James A. Wilcox	-	Present

MINUTES:

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes from the July 28, 2009 Regular Meeting, seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Wilcox.

FIRE:

Fire Chief presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$14,066.30=Ambulance Billing, \$120.00=CPR for a total of \$14,186.30. Mr. Wilcox made a motion to accept the report/fees as submitted, seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve closing 1 BC and 2 PO's:

BC
24 = Staffing Operations & Expenses
PO
44 = American Electric Power
105 = Joseph Jeffries Co.

Motion seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve opening 1 new BC and 1 new PO:

BC
\$15,000.00 = Misc Staffing Expenses
PO
\$ 5,000.00 = American Electric Power

Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available. Voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to reinstate Cadet Firefighter Frank Efinger to the paid-per-call staff, working from Station #2. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the Board President signing the USA Mobility pager and cell phone contracts (previously approved), for a one-year term, effective 08-19-2009. Motion seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox. Mr. Smith abstained from voting.

ROAD:

Road Superintendent presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$50.00=Road Opening Permit, \$170.00=Culvert Pipe, for a total of \$220.00. Mr. Smith made a motion to accept the fees as submitted, seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve closing 1 BC:

#32 = Supplies

Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve opening 1 new BC:

\$5,000.00 = Supplies

Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available. Voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

At this time, a representative from 20/20 Enterprises addressed the Board, to give an overview of his company's services.

ROAD AGENDA to be continued later in the meeting.

ZONING:

Zoning Director presented receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$384.50. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the report/fees as submitted, seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the Fiscal Officer signing a letter to the Stark County Auditor certifying special tax assessments for 21 parcels requiring 29.2 hours of maintenance at \$75.00 per hour, for a total of \$2,190.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Review bids for seeding 1003 Lakeview NW and adjacent property, which were given to the Board at the last meeting:

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DeSantis Enterprises, Canton	\$1,000.00 hydro-seed
Bucko's Handyman Services, Canton	\$1,624.00 topsoil only adjacent property
Bucko's Handyman Services, Canton	\$3,352.00 topsoil both properties
Lawn Sharks, Canton	\$2,000.00 seed
Naturescapes	\$2,260.00 seed

Mr. Smith made a motion to hire Bucko's Handyman Services (Daniel Volpe) to seed 1003 Lakeview NW and the adjacent property, at a cost not to exceed \$1,624.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve opening 1 new PO:

\$1,624.00 = Bucko's Handyman Services

Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available. Voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

New Violation Letters

Bank of New York	1320 Coty SW	High Grass
BCA Tax Service	4315 4th St NW	High Grass
Armando Garcia	1006 Trump NE	High Grass

Closed Violations

Lara	223 Carrolldale Ave SE	TWP - Mowed
Ransom	326 Marietta Ave SE	TWP - Mowed
Conrad	4836 Ridge Ave SE	Mowed - 27 July 09
Baisden	135 43rd St SW	TWP - Mowing
Hite	1491 Valentine Circle NW	Mowed 29 July 09
Miller	1320 Davis SW	Mowed 29 July 09

Rose Cox 3111 Central Ave SE

Trash/Unsecured Structure – Lawsuit filed 23 Mar 09 Stark County Health Dept -vs.- Rose Cox ;
Court date 3 April 09 – Taking bids to raise structures and removal of trash and debris.
Bids to be reviewed by trustees 25 Aug 09 – Structure to be removed after 9 September 09

Tani Taylor 2812 Lincoln St E

Expansion of Non-conforming auto sales / Auto Salvage business in Residential district.–
Canton TWP filed with county prosecutor office 20 July 09

Charles Minard 4026 Lincoln St E

Owners Dino & Teresa Valentine; B-3 Business property operating in violation of district.
Salvage and Auto repair not authorized in this district. Canton TWP filed with county prosecutor
office 20 July 09

Charles Minard 3600 Lincoln St E

Non-Conforming Auto Sales business in a Residential district. Salvage /Storage Junk automobiles in
the rear section of property. Canton TWP filed with county prosecutor office 20 July 09

Business in Residential

824 Faircrest SW	<u>Acropolis Property Services, Fellouzis, Walter,</u> 19 March 2008, 3 rd notice Home Occupation – 5 Feb 09 – Application for Home Occupancy – 30 April 09 - Withdrew application
5370 Ridge Ave SE	<u>Harper Surveying, Harper, Bradley & Cynthia,</u> 17 April 08 – 1 st notice, 2 nd notice 17 June 08 - 5 Feb 09 – Letter sent once again by zoning office to contact us about Business Operations – Application for Home Occupancy – Scheduled for <u>BZA 24 Sep 09</u>
427 Vince Ave NW	<u>Risaliti Beauty Shop, Giorgio & Deanna Risaliti,</u> 4 March 09 – 1 st notice. – Requesting review by BZA for existing non-conforming use – Scheduled <u>BZA 24 Sep 09</u>

FYI: > Zoning secretary will be on medical leave for approximately 7 weeks, starting
September 9th. Lynn Farber has agreed to fill-in in her absence.

ROAD: *(continued)*

OPEN CHIP & SEAL BIDS:

<u>Company Name & City/State</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
20/20 Enterprises – Somerset, Ohio	\$151,317.71
Lyttle Construction – Wooster, Ohio	132,242.85
Specialized Construction – Cuyahoga Heights, Ohio	162,071.50
Luli Construction – Hartville, Ohio	157,753.13

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve Road Superintendent forwarding all chip & seal bids to Atty. Charles Hall for review and opinion. Contract will be awarded at August 25th meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Fiscal Officer presented bills in the amount of \$42,112.53 and payroll in the amount of \$59,417.07, for total checks of \$101,529.60. Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the checks as presented, seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Payment Register and Fund Status reports handed out to all three Trustees and Department Heads. New Appropriation Status report and new PO & BC lists to be given to Department Heads on Thursday, August 13.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve closing 1 PO:

#70 = Pro Art

Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve the Township participating in the Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Program for the period of 07/01/2009 to 06/30/2010, with an administrative fee of \$100.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the 2010 Canton Township Budget, in the amount of \$4,140,504.16. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the Canton Township Street Lighting Assessments for Tax Year 2009 and approve the Board signing the Resolution for the same. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Smith	-	YES
Mr. Nichols	-	YES
Mr. Wilcox	-	YES

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve the Board President signing the new Pitney Bowes Rental Agreement for our digital mailing system, with a 60-month term at a cost of \$47.00 per month. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox. Mr. Smith abstained from voting.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve Fiscal Officer purchasing a NatureWorks grant sign, at a cost of \$72.00, as one of the requirements for reimbursement for the grant from the Community Park Walking Track project. Sign to be erected at the walking track. Motion seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

FYI: > Fiscal Officer meeting August 13 with Paychex to discuss:
“Time in a Box” options
Provide print-outs for monthly PERS & Pol/Fire reports

PUBLIC SPEAKS:

Dave Andrews: 204 Charlotte Ave SE – Canton Township

Mr. Andrews was in attendance inquiring about the loud vehicle noises in his neighborhood at all hours. He was requesting a loud noise resolution, because the Stark County Sheriff’s office does not respond in a timely manner. Trustee Smith informed him that Canton Township already has a noise resolution; but unfortunately that will not reduce the response time, but it will provide the deputy with the information he needs to enforce the resolution. Mr. Andrews was given a copy of this resolution and told to show this to the Sheriff deputy when responding and make note of the date and time and the deputy’s name. Feel free to contact the Trustees at any time.

Jonathan Lockhart: 512 Fohl St SW – Canton Township

Jonathan was in attendance to ask approval from the Trustees allowing him to carry out an Eagle Scout project at the Township Community Park on Oyer Street SE. His project would be to construct 4 or 5 work-out stations along the walking track. This would be done at no expense to the township, as part of this project would be to seek donations totaling approximately \$2,800.00. The Board acknowledged that this is a great project and gave their total approval. Trustee Wilcox will be pleased to work with Jonathan at any time.

TRUSTEES:

MR. SMITH:

Post Office Closing = State Senator Kirk Schuring called Trustee Smith concerning the signed petitions he received from our office with over 3,400 signatures requesting to keep our local post office open. He is sending a letter to the Postmaster General in Washington DC on our behalf and forwarding a copy of that letter to the Board.

MR. NICHOLS:

Website = Additional progress being made. Trustee Nichols met with Les Lehman today at the township office. When the website is up and running, Jon Smith from the Fire Dept will maintain and update the articles.

Computers = Trustee Nichols met with 2 companies today concerning the upgrade of our computer systems, anti-virus updates and networking. He requested pricing by August 20th, and will be meeting with a 3rd company next week.

MR. WILCOX:

Vandalism at Park on Oyer St = Someone ran over one the new barrels and lids and completely destroyed it. This must have been done after the gates were closed.

Walker School – Ready Fest = Trustee Wilcox received a request from Walker Elementary School Principal, Mr. Chris Noll to use the Community Park parking lot as an overflow lot for their “Ready Fest” program for students and families on Wednesday, August 19th from 4pm to 7pm. Canton Local will provide a shuttle service to/from the Community Park to Walker School.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve Walker Elementary School using the Township Community Park parking lot for overflow parking for the school’s “Ready Fest” program for staff, students and families on Wednesday, August 19th from 4pm to 7pm. Canton Local will provide shuttle service to/from the Community Park to Walker School. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Wilcox made a motion to adjourn at 7:52pm, seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Smith, Mr. Nichols, and Mr. Wilcox.

Ronald L. Smith, Fiscal Officer

William C. Smith, President

Christopher B. Nichols, Vice President

James A. Wilcox, Trustee