

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2005

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Regular Session on Tuesday, January 4, 2005 with all three Trustees present.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Also in attendance: Clerk Ron Smith, Zoning Inspector Ray Bednarczyk, Road Superintendent Dave Robertson, and Fire Chief Scott McKibben

WORK SESSION:

The Board met with Department Heads prior to the Regular Meeting starting at 6:30pm in a Work Session that included topics and/or approvals that each Department would like presented at the Regular Meeting.

MINUTES:

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes of the December 6, 2004 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes of the December 21, 2004 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Receipts collected for two weeks presented as follows: \$4,343.36 Ambulance Billing and \$1,200.00 Reimbursements for a total of \$5,543.36. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the fee report as submitted, seconded by Mr. Smith and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve a PO to Stark Glass Block, in the amount of \$1,515.00, for 6 glass block windows at Station #4. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols

and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve Karla Nevel driving the Fire Department van home each night, during the winter months. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve Fire Chief selling old tanker truck to Tippecanoe Fire Department in Washington Township, per approval of legal counsel. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve legal counsel writing a Resolution to release property on 49th St SE and have it revert back to the American Legion Post No.440. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols proceeded to read the Resolution, in its' entirety, written by legal counsel, pertaining to the bids received and awarding of the contract for the purchase of a new engine/pumper fire truck.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve the contract for a new engine/pumper fire truck to be awarded to Central States Fire Apparatus LLC, through its dealer, Advantique LLC, in the amount not to exceed \$347,775.00. This is based upon the recommendations of the Canton Township Fire Department Specifications Committee and the advice of Canton Township additional legal counsel. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

ROAD DEPARTMENT:

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to submit Central Avenue SE, from the city limits to Baum Road, which is a total of 2.6 miles, for the 2005 Stark County speed zone studies. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the Road Superintendent sending a Thank You letter to Stark County Engineer, Bridge Department for their assistance in the removal of the tree at the Cheyenne Bridge. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the Road Superintendent sending a letter to the Stark County Engineer requesting a survey of Faircrest Street SE and the railroad crossing. Motion seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

ZONING DEPARTMENT:

Zoning fees for two weeks presented in the amount of \$386.00. Mr. Wilcox made a motion to accept the report as submitted, seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Violation letters sent to the following:

- 2336 Holt SE – inoperable vehicles
- 2328 Holt SE – inoperable vehicles
- 2320 Holt SE – inoperable vehicles
- 5104 Ridge SE – inoperable vehicles

Zoning Inspector presented the Board with the 2004 yearly report for the Zoning Department; and 2004 monthly and yearly reports for the Community Center. Zoning Inspector to check with Community Center Administrator to confirm report totals and report to Trustees at next meeting.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to table the decision to change cleaning companies for the Administration Building until more information is presented at the next meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve a new fax machine for the Township mechanic office, cost not to exceed \$200.00, and to be split equally between Fire and Road funds. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Zoning Inspector to prepare outline of project and recommendations for committee members to revise the Township zoning book, and report to Trustees at next meeting.

CLERK:

Clerk submitted payroll totaling \$40,399.02. Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the checks as submitted, seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve voiding the following two warrants:

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| #39612 | PERS | \$16,164.30 |
| #39613 | Police & Fire | 23,549.25 |

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

Clerk noted Pending Warrants report was handed out to all three Trustees and Department Heads. PO and BC lists to be given to Department Heads tomorrow. Bills to be ready for approval at January 8th Special Meeting. Fund Status and Appropriation Status to be handed out at the January 8th meeting.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve a new PO, payable to Hall Law Firm, in the amount of \$18,000.00, for 2005 legal fees, to be split equally \$6,000.00 each for General, Road and Fire funds. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve Trustee Bill Smith and Clerk Ron Smith as Canton Township's members to the Stark County Regional Planning Commission Tax Incentive Review Council. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the 2005 Canton Township budget to be \$4,045,855.63, seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve a BC, for 2005 administrative conferences, in the amount of \$3,000.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve a PO to the Ohio Township Association, in the amount of \$240.00, for registration fees for the Winter Conference in Columbus. This is \$40.00 each for: 3 Trustees, Clerk, Road Superintendent, and Zoning Inspector. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve a Then & Now PO, payable to Kitec Computer Co., in the amount of \$194.95, to repair the Clerk's computer printer. Motion seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

PUBLIC SPEAKS:

Michael Steiner – 5375 Frey Ave SW

Mr. Steiner wanted to follow-up on questions and comments he presented at the December 21, 2004 meeting concerning Fire Department proceedings and guidelines

when making runs on emergency calls. Mr. Nichols to address his issues in the Trustees portion of the meeting.

TRUSTEES:

MR. WILCOX:

Nothing to report this evening.

MR. SMITH:

Township Insurance = Insurance renewal is February 28, 2005. Trustees will discuss insurance needs at January 8th Special Meeting.

MR. NICHOLS:

SCRPC = Mr. Nichols made a motion to appoint Trustees Jim Wilcox and Chris Nichols as the Township's members to Stark County Regional Planning Commission. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Steiner – Public Speaks = Mr. Nichols addressed Mr. Steiner's issues stating he has some valid concerns. Since the current Board of Trustees has been in office, the Fire Department policies and procedures have shown consistent improvement; and under their direction will continue to do so. Detailed information available on the audio tape.

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Nichols made a motion to adjourn at 8:35pm, seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting yes – Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Nichols.

Ronald L. Smith, Clerk

James A. Wilcox, President

William C. Smith, Vice President

Christopher B. Nichols, Trustee

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