

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2007**

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Regular Session on
Wednesday, January 17, 2007 at 7:00pm with two Trustees present.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

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

MINUTES:

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes of the January 02, 2007 Reorganization Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

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FIRE:

Receipts collected for two weeks for the following: \$5,016.69=Ambulance Billing, \$50.00=Reimbursements, and \$700.00=CPR Fund, for a total of \$5,766.69. Mr. Wilcox made a motion to accept the report/fees as submitted, seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve opening 2 new BC's:

\$2,000.00 = Conferences & Seminars

5,000.00 = Misc Parts & Repairs

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

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 5 new PO's:

\$2,000.00 = Chief Supply

717.45 = Akron Brass Co

2,000.00 = Your Olde Tyme Hardware

5,000.00 = Staley Technologies

2,500.00 = Ohio Billing

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

FYI: 2006 Year-to-Date Billing and Credit Report presented to the Board by the Fire Chief and Captain Scott Johnson. Also, medicare payments are now done by electronic transfer to the Township account. This started in December 2006.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve purchasing 2 new cardiac monitors from Medtronic Emergency Response Systems, at a cost of \$30,744.90, pending verification that this quote is below State Co-Op bid price, and pending approval by Atty. Charlie Hall. Motion seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening a new PO:

\$31,000.00 = Medtronic Emergency Response Systems.

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

ROAD:

Receipts collected for two weeks for the following: \$50.00=culvert pipe and \$25.00=heavy haul permit, for a total of \$75.00. Mr. Wilcox made a motion to accept the report/fees as submitted. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 2 new PO's:

\$1,000.00 = Abbott Electric

1,000.00 = Staley Technologies

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

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 2 new BC's:

\$5,000.00 = Supplies

5,000.00 = Repairs

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

Road Superintendent presented quotes for new website signs, which would be 6" by 40" and placed beneath our "Entering Canton Township" signs.

\$ 674.50 = Municipal Signs

3,250.00 = Pro Art

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve purchasing new website signs from Municipal Signs of Columbiana, Ohio, at a cost of \$674.50. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

Road Superintendent noted there is an existing PO already open for Municipal Signs.

Mr. Nichols made a motion for the Board of Trustees to adopt the Resolution for the new Road Opening Permit requirements in Canton Township effective at midnight tonight.

Motion seconded by Mr. Wilcox.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Mr. Christopher B. Nichols	-	YES
	Mr. James A. Wilcox	-	YES
	Mr. William C. Smith	-	Absent

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve hiring Harper Surveying, at a cost of \$1,500.00, to survey the FEMA houses on Allenford SE to combine those properties into one parcel. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve opening a new PO:

\$1,500.00 = Harper Surveying

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

ZONING:

Zoning Director presented zoning fees for two weeks in the amount of \$166.20. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the report/fees as submitted, seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

FYI: Violation Letters Sent:

135 – 43 rd SW (Baisden)	tires
1542 Belden SE (Randall)	vehicles
3806 Euclid SE (Newman)	vehicles (2 nd notice)
3111 Central SE (Cox)	debris/trash/vehicles

Violations Complied With:

4015 – 9 th NW (Lashley)	vehicles removed
4341 Cheryl SW (Carpenter)	debris/trash/vehicles removed

Zoning Director reviewed properties that were “drive-bys” during the January 13th Work Session with Trustees Nichols and Smith.

4727 Martin SE (Becker)	safety/fire damage/Health Dept – Priority
2347 Prairie College SW (Shearer)	vehicles/automotive parts
4017 Paradise SW (Kessel)	vehicles/automotive parts
4009 – 9 th NW (Schuckert)	vehicles
1542 Belden SE (Randall)	vehicles
523 Marietta SE (Walter)	abandoned/septic system requested/Health Dept – Priority
509 Ruggles SE (McNutt)	vehicles
3112 Lincoln East (Schluneker Ent)	vehicles/automotive parts
3806 Euclid NE (Newman)	vehicles
4105 Georgetown NE (Saunier)	safety/abandoned building/Health Dept – Priority
Trump NE (Patterson)	debris/trash/sold waste
2420 Waynesburg SE (Minard)	vehicles/automotive parts/solid waste dumping
3221 Sandy SE (Mellon)	vehicles
3111 Central SE (Cox)	debris/trash/solid waste/vehicles/Health Dept – Priority
837 Hollywood NE ()	vehicles

Mr. Nichols asked Atty. Hall his legal opinion about listing some of these properties along with pictures on our new website, as well as in our township newsletter. He also requested Atty. Hall to possibly drive by some of these properties with the Zoning Director on a Saturday within the next few months.

Reminder to Road Superintendent concerning the “No Parking” signs to be erected on Elmpoint NE.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve taking the Administrative Assistant's computer to Straub's Computer Service for repair, at a cost not to exceed \$250.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Wilcox and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to open a new PO:

\$250.00 = Straub's Computer Service

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

Zoning 2006 year-end report presented to the Board for their review.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Fiscal Officer presented bills in the amount of \$29,705.18 and payroll in the amount of \$63,721.21 for a total of \$93,426.39. Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve the checks as submitted, seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

Pending Warrants 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 Friday, January 19th.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening a new PO:

\$200.00 = Com-Tech of Kent

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

FYI: UAN Update = Visiting Fiscal Officer was here on January 15th to review and assist our Fiscal Officer to complete steps necessary to convert to the UAN system on February 5th. Bills for the February 12th meeting will be processed under the UAN system. Fiscal Officer will be meeting with Department Heads the week of January 22nd.

PUBLIC SPEAKS:

Sam Frisone: 4834 Wiseland Ave SE

First of all, Mr. Frisone wanted to personally thank the Zoning Inspector for all his assistance in helping him with neighbors that were causing border problems when he was erecting a new garage. He went above and beyond the call of duty; he thanked him for all his help.

Mr. Frisone is here this evening to complain about the old North Industry Elementary School. There are teen dances there on the weekends. Music is loud, kids are rowdy, fighting, and driving recklessly up and down Wiseland. He did not call the Sheriff, but someone did. The kids left before the Sheriff arrived. He is requesting the Board see what measures are being taken to keep this under control. The Board and Zoning Director will check into all options available.

Karen Cassler: 4400 Argyle SE

In 2005, they were told there would be drainage ditches put in on both sides so they would not get flooded. The neighbor across the grass, Mr. Slutz has drainage ditches, but they do not. They have lost 8 or 10 pine trees around their driveway because the water keeps coming down. She is requesting the Township check into this again. Trustee Nichols asked the Road Superintendent to contact Ms. Cassler to see what can be done.

TRUSTEES:

MR. NICHOLS:

Ethics Training = Mr. Nichols has spoken to Susan Willeke, who is the Education Coordinator with the Ohio Ethics Commission in a response to a letter the Board sent requesting ethics training classes to be held for the township employees at the township Administration office. The Commission prefers to have 30-40 people before they conduct training classes on-site. He will check with the Stark County Township Association to see if there is interest from other townships for these classes.

Website = There is a front page with a log-in and password required. He will supply the Board and Department Heads with this information so the website can be reviewed before it goes public. There is a number of things that need updated.

Atty. Hall = Board and/or Department Heads are to notify Board's Administrative Assistant, in writing, with any open/current issues they have with Atty. Hall in order for her to e-mail him the Friday before each Regular meeting what needs to be addressed, by him, at the next meeting.

Employee Handbook = Copies provided to each Trustee and Fiscal Officer. Possibly have a Work Session in mid-February in order to have the Handbook updated by April 1st.

Faircrest Park = Trustee Nichols and Fire Chief have meeting tomorrow morning with Bob Fonte of Stark County Park District to discuss Faircrest Park and some potential use of the park for a fire facility at some time in the future. Mr. Fonte also heads up the Stark County Drainage Task Force; and there are drainage issues at the park that need addressed.

MR. WILCOX:

Grant-Community Park = Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve Grant Source Professionals to pursue grant opportunities for a rubberized surface for the walking track at the Community Park. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve opening a new PO:

\$525.00 = Grant Source Professionals

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

Microwave/Admin Office = Jr. Wilcox made a motion to approve opening a BC, in the amount of \$150.00, to purchase a microwave for the administration office. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available. Voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

Township Association Dinner = Mr. Wilcox made a motion to approve a PO, payable to McCall's Restaurant, in the amount of \$2,000.00, for the Stark County Township Association Dinner, being sponsored by Canton Township, and being held at McCall's on January 18th. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available. Voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Wilcox made a motion to adjourn at 8:19pm, seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols and Mr. Wilcox.

Ronald L. Smith, Fiscal Officer

Christopher B. Nichols, President

James A. Wilcox, Vice President

(absent)
William C. Smith, Trustee

FUND STATUS REPORT
01-17-07

<u>FUND NUMBER</u>	<u>FUND NAME</u>	<u>FUND BALANCE</u>	<u>% of TOTAL CASH BALANCE</u>
01	General	98,886.32	15.9
02	Motor Vehicle License Tax	610.99	0.1
03	Gasoline Tax	94,045.04	15.2
04	Road & Bridge	130,565.10	21.0
07	Lighting Assessment	22,901.74	3.7
10	Fire District	86,066.66	13.9
13	Zoning	18,954.04	3.1
14	Park Advisory	340.56	0.1
14A	Allenford Dr Road Project	0.00	0.0
14B	FEMA Grant – Flood Plane	1,756.91	0.3
14F	Fire Loss Claim Fund	0.00	0.0
20	Fire Levy	108,841.38	17.5
23	Permissive License Tax	35,219.58	5.7
28	Ambulance & Emergency Medical	20,302.49	3.3
30	Faircrest Project – Issue 2	0.00	0.0
30A	Cheyenne Bridge Project	<u>2,258.79</u>	0.4
	Cash Total	620,749.60	