

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2014**

at Fire Station #3 – 3103 Parkway St NW
6:30pm = Discuss Road Levy, Issue #39 ... 7:00pm = Regular Meeting

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Regular Session on
Tuesday, September 23, 2014 with Trustee Mittas and Trustee Smith present.

Also in Attendance:

Fiscal Officer Ron Smith and Road Superintendent/Zoning Director Jonathan Smith

Absent:

Trustee Christopher Nichols and Fire Chief Christopher Smith

MEETING MINUTES:

Regular Meeting – September 9, 2014

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes from the September 9, 2014 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

Regular Meeting – August 12, 2014

Motion to approve the minutes from the August 12, 2014 Regular Meeting will be made at the next meeting.

PUBLIC SPEAKS:

No Public Speaks at this time.

FIRE:

In the absence of the Fire Chief, the Fiscal Officer presented the Fire Department agenda.

Receipts for the past two weeks for the following: \$15,931.49=Ambulance Billing, \$60.00=Permits, for total receipts of \$15,991.49. Mr. Mittas made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve closing 1 BC and 1 PO:

BC

#23 = Vehicle Maintenance & Repairs

PO

#22 = Time Warner Cable

Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve opening 3 new PO's:

\$4,000.00 = American Electric Power

1,613.20 = Breathing Air Systems

500.00 = Verizon Wireless

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

High Visibility Jackets:

Fire Department will be purchasing 49 high visibility “6-in-1” jackets from EmbroidMe at a cost of \$145.00 each. Jackets will be purchased with funds received from Marathon Oil.

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

\$7,200.00 = EmbroidMe

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

New Desktop Computers:

Fire Department is purchasing 4 new Dell desktop computers (Windows 7) and installation from Intech Computer Solutions. (3 at Fire Administration office and 1 at Fire Station #3)

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

\$5,000.00 = Intech Computer Solutions

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

Ohio Billing Report:

Mr. Smith made a motion to acknowledge receipt of Ohio Billing reports for August 2014.

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

Fire Prevention Permits:

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve increasing the fees of the Canton Township Fire Prevention Bureau Permits, effective immediately, as listed on the new Permit Request Forms. New forms to have a current date on the bottom for identification purposes. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

Fire Fighter Resignation:

Mr. Mittas made a motion to accept, as to form but not as to substance, the email resignation of Nicholas Abramson, effective immediately, from the Canton Township Fire Department.

Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

Squad Remounts:

A Change Order is being requested By Peach State Ambulance Company for undercarriage replacement on one squad, at a cost of \$2,000.00.

Mr. Smith made a motion to acknowledge and approve the Change Order in the additional amount of \$2,000.00 requested by Peach State Ambulance Company for undercarriage replacement cost for one squad remount. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas. Funds to be taken from an existing BC. Voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

- FYI: > Squad Remounts Update: Jim Olsen from Peach State Ambulance of Tyrone, GA will be at Fire Administration office tomorrow between 11:30am-Noon, if Trustees would like to stop by.
- > New Tablets from Verizon: New tablets from Verizon have been received. Fire Dept will begin using the new EMS run reporting system – IMS Solutions.

ROAD:

Road Superintendent presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$50.00=Road Opening, \$2,500.00=Stark-Tusc-Wayne Recycling Grant, \$32,269.80=Village of Meyers Lake (North Park Project), for a total of \$34,819.80. Mr. Mittas made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

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

\$2,000.00 = Northern Mobile Electric

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

Snow Plow Drivers:

Mr. Mittas made a motion to authorize the Road Superintendent to advertise, if necessary, for on-call/seasonal snow plow drivers for the Road Dept, at a pay rate of \$15.00 per hour, with Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS), but no other township-paid benefits. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

RPC – Storm Water Mapping:

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve and sign the contract with Stark County Regional Planning Commission, referred to as RPC, for storm water mapping services as required by the Ohio EPA. Total cost will be \$4,947.96, to be billed quarterly by RPC. Cost will be paid from General Funds. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

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

\$4,947.96 = Stark County Regional Planning Commission

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

- FYI: > Facebook page for the Road Dept is up and running. Website has been updated.
- > First road salt delivery for the 2014-2015 snow season has been received.

ZONING:

Zoning Director presented zoning permit receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$5,781.45.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to accept the receipts as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the Board declaring the following property as a nuisance as deemed by the Zoning Director, and order it abated per Ohio Revised Code 505.173 and/or 505.86 and/or 505.87 and the Canton Township Property Maintenance Code. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

Turner, Bernadette B	2520 Helen Place NW	No Permit/Shed
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- FYI: > Updated 2014 Nuisance List provided to the Board
- > Updated 2014 High Grass List provided to the Board

Postage Meter Lease:

Current lease with Pitney Bowes expires September 30, 2014. After discussion and comparison between Pitney Bowes and NeoPost, the following motion was made.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to authorize the Zoning Director to sign a Lease Agreement with NeoPost USA for lease of a new postage meter, model # IN-360WP5, for a term of 60 months, effective October 1, 2014 at a cost of \$94.96 per month. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

TOWNSHIP PARKS:

Parks Director presented Park Pavilion rental receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$50.00. Mr. Smith made a motion to accept the receipts as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

Trees at Faircrest Park:

The Road crew dropped 12 large dead trees in Faircrest Park today. Notice will be put on our web page and Road Dept facebook page for “Free Wood” that can be cut up and taken from Faircrest Park this Saturday, September 27th at 7:00am. Interested parties will be required to come into the Administration office, sometime this week, to fill out a Waiver Form and present a valid Ohio Drivers License and provide a valid email address.

Community Park on Oyer St SE: Discussed the progress of electric service for lights. 3 telephone poles have been donated and installed, at no cost to the township. More to report at next meeting.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Fiscal Officer presented bills in the amount of \$19,259.98 and payroll in the amount of \$86,575.78, for total checks of \$105,835.76. Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the checks as presented, seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

- FYI:
- > Payment Register Appropriation Status and Fund Status reports handed out to all three Trustees and Dept Heads. New Appropriation Status report and new PO & BC lists to be given to Dept Heads on Thursday, September 25th.
 - > Natural Gas Rate: Due to the township’s participation with the Natural Gas Program through SCOG (Stark Council of Governments), our new lower rate beginning with October gas flow will be \$4.384/mcf for the 12 months from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015.

PUBLIC SPEAKS:

No Public Speaks at this time.

TRUSTEES:

MR. MITTAS:

Nothing further to discuss this evening.

MR. NICHOLS:

Absent this evening.

MR. SMITH:

Waive Pavilion Fee:

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve waiving the pavilion rental fee for Webelos Pack #4, from Eden Church of the Brethren to use Faircrest Park on Saturday, October 25th, to clean-up the park and identify trees to earn badges, and use of the pavilion to cook hot dogs. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

Neighborhood Watch Formation Meeting:

As a courtesy, Trustee Smith made the following announcement: There will be a Neighborhood Watch Formation Meeting to discuss the possibility of forming a Neighborhood Watch Committee for the Meyers Lake area. Interested parties are encouraged to attend.

Date & Time: Wednesday October 8th, 2014 – 7:00pm

Location: Canton Township Fire Station #3, located at 3103 Parkway NW

Questions about the meeting or the program can be addressed to: James Knight of the Stark County Prosecutors Office at (330)451-7888.

ADJOURN:

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn at 7:55pm, seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Smith.

Ronald L. Smith, Fiscal Officer

(absent)
Christopher B. Nichols, President

William C. Smith, Vice President

William G. Mittas, Member