

The Concord Township Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, June 24, 2013 at the Concord Township Administrative Building. Chairman Karen Koch called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. The roll was called; in attendance were Trustees Karen Koch, Bart Johnson, and Joe Garrett. Also attending were Fiscal Officer Jill Davis, Fire Chief and Operations Director Todd Cooper, Zoning Inspector Ric Irvine, and several guests.

Minutes from the previous meeting were presented. Trustee Johnson moved and Trustee Garrett seconded to approve the minutes. Vote: Koch-yes, Garrett-yes, Johnson-yes.

Old Business

An update regarding government aggregation was given by Trustee Joe Garrett. When the Board was approached previously about aggregation, township residents would have been locked in contract for three years, without significant savings for their electric. The recent presentation by Tra-Bel includes a three year contract, with opt-out times every year for residents. Savings are also more significant. Mr. Garrett met with Tra-Bel, and has emailed a resolution and details to the Trustees for review. At no expense to the township, Tra-Bel will get information out to educate residents on the program and prepare the ballot. Mr. Garrett noted Tra-Bel has references with other townships and also works directly with Delaware County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Betts to verify contract details. Mr. Johnson mentioned the deadline for ballot initiatives is August, so would have to act this meeting or next. Another company, Aspen Energy, approached the township by contacting Fiscal Officer Davis a few days after Tra-Bel came to the Trustees meeting. Mr. Johnson asked since the fire and road levies will be on the ballot also, will this be a negative to voters? Residents in attendance said no. Mr. Johnson moved to move forward with the Tra-Bel energy contract for township electric aggregation, pending review and approval by the Delaware County Prosecuting Attorney's office. Ms. Koch seconded this motion. Vote: Koch-yes, Garrett-abstain, Johnson-yes.

Park sign action – tabled.

Mower replacements for the park were discussed. Liberty Township and Olentangy School use large self-propelled John Deere mowers, with a state bid price of \$48,000. Another option is a 40hp tractor and 12' batwing mower for about \$24,000. Mr. Johnson noted the self-propelled units have had problems and discontinued making them due to maintenance issues. The batwing may be quicker and the tractor could have other uses. The 25hp tractor currently owned by the township would have a trade-in value of only \$2500. The Trustees would like to test the batwing option to see how much man-hours could be saved.

Mr. Johnson talked to Scott Sanders at Delaware County Regional Planning Commission (DCRPC) about completing the township Comprehensive Plan. It is on the DCRPC schedule, and they complete research prior to beginning. The township will look for a committee of eight to ten people to have open meetings with DCRPC to provide input. The Trustees would like to advertise an "application of interest" for the committee on the website and newspaper.

The township's new radar trailer has collected high rates of speed on Moore Road. Other areas of collection show majority travel within 5-10mph of speed limit, but Moore Road is much higher. The Sheriff will be contacted about the data for reinforcement.

New Business

The Board of Trustees would like to invite Rita Au of Preservation Parks to an upcoming meeting to thank the organization for our grants, and to discuss new park improvements. Possible ideas include additional parking areas and backstops replaced. The soccer goals from this year's grant will be delivered tomorrow. Mr. Johnson noted a sewer smell in the rear part of the park needs checked.

Zoning Department

Inspector Ric Irvine reported no change in permits since first June meeting. There will be a Board of Zoning Appeals meeting tomorrow for conditional use/occupancy for manufacturing of gun prototypes at a home detached garage.

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Minutes of

Meeting

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Click and Harriott Road properties were discussed that have sewer tap availability issues.

Mr. Johnson mentioned the Community Authority (CA) that used to own the Moore Road sewage treatment plant held a meeting on June 18, 2013. Mr. Irvine noted the County is in litigation with Kokosing about the plant, so the County must own the plant now, but there is nothing going to it yet. A prospective developer of the Yinger Farm property was told a lift station was going in at Butts Road starting this year. But, Mr. Irvine believes the \$15-20 million cost of constructing the pump station down river is probably not going to happen by the County. Mr. Garrett heard this is not happening, and that the County is letting the plant sit. Mr. Johnson heard Huntington has the loan in default but because it is financed through bonds and a public utility, they can't officially foreclose on the loan. He has read into Community Authorities and said they may be able to require a homeowner to hook into their septic, join the CA, increasing taxes. Mr. Garrett suggested the Trustees be proactive and speak to the County Sanitary Engineer to find out what the plan is for the plant before completing the new Comprehensive Plan.

Road & Fire Department

Operations Director and Fire Chief Todd Cooper reported the township received aluminum bleachers and picnic tables from the State of Ohio Department of Youth Services.

The Fall Festival & Fire Prevention Day will be held Saturday October 12, 2013, and Trick-or-Treat will be October 31, 2013 from 6-8pm (per Mid-Ohio Regional Planning resolution).

Steve Mitchell of Turfway Bend homeowner's, said the association agrees with having the islands and lights removed. They will get an electric removal time from Union Rural Electric. The first quote for blacktopping, cul-de-sac, and curb improvements and replacements was \$26,000. Two more estimates are forthcoming.

A house was mostly saved at the 7300 block of Scioto Parkway after a candle caught the house on fire. The department also assisted in a fire in Delaware City last week.

Chief Cooper has met with Brian Diley at the Engineer's Office about providing access to fire safety equipment during the road closures for the construction of the Home Road round-a-bouts. There will only be a limited time of complete closure, then gravel will be placed for emergency vehicle access through the construction zone.

Resident Colleen Kelly-Laich inquired about the status of the fire station damage insurance claim from June 29, 2012, and the community building lobby windows replacement. Mr. Johnson summarized the first insurance estimate for reconstruction came in at roughly \$160,000, so the township hired an architect for an estimate that came in at roughly \$700,000, and now the insurance company has come back with a \$462,000 offer. The offer is being compared to County Building Code to ensure all requirements are included. Mr. Cooper summarized the windows issue, noting the contractor who built the community building is now bankrupt, and the windows have been re-ordered personally by the old project manager of the contractor. They are supposed to be delivered soon.

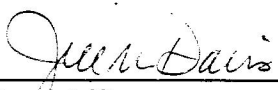
Financial Report

Chairman Koch certified the Fiscal Officer has provided current financial reports for the township. Completing business the Fiscal Officer certified funds have been appropriated and money is in the treasury to pay the bills. Therefore, Trustee Garrett moved and Trustee Johnson seconded to approve pending purchase orders, blanket certificates, vouchers and warrants #1148-1152, 9580-9619, all totaling \$122,342.34. Vote: Koch-yes, Garrett-yes, Johnson-yes.

As there was no further business, Trustee Johnson moved and Trustee Garrett seconded to adjourn the meeting. Vote: Koch-yes, Garrett-yes, Johnson-yes. Meeting adjourned 8:30pm.

ATTEST

BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Fiscal Officer

