

The Board of Trustees of Sugarcreek Township, Greene County, Ohio, in Regular Session on August 01, 2011, at 7:30 pm, at 2090 Ferry Road, Bellbrook, Ohio 45305.

1. Chairperson Dick King called the Session to order at 7:30 pm.
2. All rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
3. Mr. Hodson called the roll with Board Members Dick King, Nadine Daugherty and Mike Pittman being present. In addition to Township Administrator, Barry Tiffany, others present who signed in were Jim Martin, Katherine Ullmer, Marcia Treadway, Scott Bryant, Steve Knopp and Donna Hellman.
4. **Marcia Treadway to introduce ParaVizionz and discuss the convention they are bringing to town.** Ms. Treadway, of Treadway Communications Resources, said they will be sponsoring a fund raising event for the Historical Society called the Jonathan Winters Historical Town and Ghost Walk of Bellbrook. She said there will be two sessions, the first on September 30 at 7:00 pm and the second on October 1, 2011 at 5:00 and 7:30 pm. She also said they will have a para-normal investigation team working with them. Marcia said the price will be thirty dollars per adult and ten dollars per child. Marcia said Jonathan Winters is sending two autographed books to be raffled off at the event and said he wanted a dozen buckeyes this fall in return. He said nobody in California knows what a buckeye is. Mr. King volunteered to also send him a dozen of his wife's homemade candy buckeyes. Marcia than introduce Lee Allen, founder of the ParaVizionz paranormal investigation team. Mr. Allen said he has worked with the History Channel and the Ohio Historical Society. He said their group will be in Waynesville in September. On October 28th through the 30th, they will be doing a project in Bellbrook called "Bellbrook on Lockdown". His group will be hosting a paranormal convention. He said they will have the Booth Brothers and people from the TV shows Ghost hunters and Most Haunted, in addition to Paranormal people from all over the country. Mr. Allen said it will be a non-profit event and if it is successful he hopes to make it an annual event.

5. Reports

a. Administration

A report prepared by Township Administrator is appended. Mrs. Daugherty said the Board wants to make the Clio project a priority and asked Mr. Tiffany how it was going. Mr. Tiffany responded that he was waiting for a response to a message he had left at Mr. Gunlock's office.

b. Fire

A report prepared by the Fire Department is appended. Chief Pavlak said he had medic crew that did a fantastic job in saving a Citizens life but could not reveal any details yet. He said details regarding the incident will probably unfold in the next couple of weeks.

c. Police

A report prepared by the Police Department is appended. Capt. Deaton said he had nothing additional to add.

d. Roads and Services.

A report prepared by Tracey Messer, Director of Roads and Services, is appended. Mr. King said he has a bad curve on his road that is hard to see around and has seen problems there with bicyclists and motorists. He said he is afraid someone will get killed there. He asked Mr. Messer if it would be easy to widen the road enough for a bicyclist. Mr. Messer said it would be very expensive because it would have to have a new road base along with the additional black top. Mr. Pittman said the Township Road sign on Sears Road needs replaced. Mr. Messer said he would take care of it.

e. Zoning

A report prepared by Cara Tilford, Township Planner/Zoning Official, is appended. Cara said a new BZA Case will be heard on August 25th. Cara showed all present the new Farmer's Market bags that will be given this coming Friday. She thanked the four sponsors, Total Transformations Home Stagings, Old Fort Banking, Advanced Dentistry of Dayton and Tom's Mulch, for providing the bags. Cara said the Township Community Outreach program will provide free Sno-Cones.

f. Trustees

Mr. Pittman said we needed to discuss whether or not to proceed with the News Letter. Mr. King said that could be taken up during the Trustee/Staff Discussion part of the agenda.

Mrs. Daugherty said she met with the Bellbrook Rehab people and thanked Mr. Tiffany for going to the meeting with her.

6. New Business

Fiscal Office

a. Payment on Bills

Mr. King moved to accept the Payment of Bills as presented. Mr. Pittman seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mr. Pittman – Yes
Mrs. Daugherty – Yes
Mr. King - Yes

Fire

b. Intergovernmental Transfer of Excess Fire Department Property

Resolution # 2011.08.01.01

WHEREAS, the Sugarcreek Township Fire Department has equipment no longer needed for operations and which is considered excess; and,

WHEREAS, according to the Ohio Revised Code Section 505.10 (7), the board of township trustees may discard or salvage property that it had deemed no needed for public use, or obsolete or unfit for the use for which it was acquired, and that the property has no value

WHEREAS, Randall J. Pavlak, Fire Chief, in his correspondence, has listed twenty-five (25) folding chairs as excess property and is requesting that an intergovernmental transfer of these chairs to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks, Caesar Creek State Park (see attached correspondence); and

WHEREAS, these chairs would be donated with the understanding that they are accepted “as is”,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Sugarcreek Township will donate the twenty-five (25) chairs listed as excess property to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks, and Caesar Creek State Park.

Mr. Pittman moved to accept the Resolution as presented. Mrs. Daugherty seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mr. Pittman – Yes
Mrs. Daugherty – Yes
Mr. King - Yes

Administration

c. Certifying Expenses for Nuisance Abatement to the Greene County Auditor at 3576 Wilmington-Dayton Road

Resolution # 2011.08.01.02

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees declared the property at 3576 Wilmington-Dayton Road a nuisance in Resolution 2011.06.06.03 (attached); and,

WHEREAS, the Township Planner/Zoning Official issued notice, by certified mail, of the nuisance abatement and responsibilities therein to the lien holders of record, of 3576 Wilmington-Dayton Road; and,

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code 505.87 (attached) allows the owner seven (7) days to abate, control or remove such vegetation, garbage, refuse or debris or to make provision for its abatement, control or removal; and,

WHEREAS, since no response was received from the owner of 3576 Wilmington-Dayton Road, the Township Planner/Zoning Official made contact with the Sugarcreek Township Roads and Services Department to control the vegetation, garbage, refuse or debris; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Sugarcreek Township Board of Trustees hereby certifies expenses for said nuisance abatement in the amount of Seven Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars and One cent (\$756.01) for the legal notice and mowing costs to the Greene County Auditor and any interest or other charges that may be applicable.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that this Sugarcreek Township Board of Trustees hereby requests the Fiscal Office submit a written report to the Greene County Auditor of the Board's action.

Mr. King suggested we might look into bidding these projects out. Mr. Tiffany said we have found in the past it is cheaper if we do it ourselves. Mr. Pittman and Mrs. Daugherty agreed to handle it as we are currently doing.

Mrs. Daugherty moved to accept the Resolution as presented. Mr. King seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mr. Pittman – Yes
Mrs. Daugherty – Yes
Mr. King - Yes

- d. Authorizing the Township Administrator to Act as Signatory During the Closing Procedures of the Sale of Parcel ID L32000100110008700

Resolution # 2011.08.01.03

WHEREAS, the Sugarcreek Township Board of Trustees have been seeking a buyer for Parcel ID L32000100110008700, located at the corner of Ferry Road and Waynesville Road; and,

WHEREAS, an offer to purchase has been accepted by the Trustees of Sugarcreek Township for Parcel ID L32000100110008700 with an anticipated closing on the sale of no later than August 8, 2011,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board of Trustees for Sugarcreek Township does hereby authorize the Township Administrator and/or any one (1) of the Trustees to act as signatory on behalf of the Trustees in the closing procedures on the sale of the property Parcel ID L32000100110008700, Bellbrook, Ohio, as per the agreed upon contract.

Mr. King said we bought this property when it was going to a business we may not have wanted. We have improved it and allowed it to be used as a recycle center. We now have a buyer who will improve it more.

Mr. Pittman moved to accept the Resolution as presented. Mr. King seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mr. Pittman – Yes
Mrs. Daugherty – Yes
Mr. King - Yes

7. Trustee/Staff discussion

Mr. Pittman said six years ago we were putting out four newsletters a year. They were expensive to produce then so we decided to cut it to one a year and we need to do so this year. First, Mr. Messer does not have Community involvement with the Levy and we need to get the word out to the Citizens the importance of the Levy. Mr. King said the "informed" was the word. We are not endorsing the Levy but trying to get information out on why it is needed. Mr. Pittman said another reason it is needed is that this is Mr. King's last year of Office. And he deserves a farewell newsletter. Also Chief Flick is retiring and I think we have the same obligation to him. Mr. Pittman said Capt. Deaton is coming in as Chief and people need to know about that. He said I know we're concerned about cost but I don't think we can afford not to have a news letter.

Mrs. Daugherty said she was concerned about being able to afford d it. Mr. Tiffany said the last one cost about one thousand five hundred dollars. Mrs. Daugherty thanked Mr. Tiffany for providing that information. Mr. King said we had a Code Red situation. Some folks have not signed up. We need this in the newsletter. Mr. King also suggested we could sell advertisement space in the newsletter to offset costs. Mr. Tiffany said this has been discussed by the Ohio Township Association. Only two Townships have advertised. One said it was not a problem and the other said it was a tremendous problem and took it out.

Mr. King proposed we do one this fall without advertisements. Mrs. Daugherty again stated her concern about cost but said she was surprised it was only fifteen hundred dollars. Mt. Tiffany said we should stick to four pages if possible. Chief Pavlak said there should also be an article on how we were impacted by the State Budget cuts.

Mr. Pittman said we also need to discuss if we wish to offer a nominee to the Lions Club for The Citizen of the Year.

8. Public Comments

Mr. Jim Martin said has asked the Board to have a member of the Board of Zoning Commissions removed. He said he wants an answer in writing if or if not he is going to be removed. If not, he wants the reasons why. Mr. Pittman said the Board has discussed it and will provide him with a written answer. Mrs. Daugherty said we will be public with it.

Mr. King moved to adjourn to Executive Session at 9:03 pm for personnel reasons. Mr. Pittman seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

The meeting reconvened at 9:30 pm with no following action taken and promptly adjourned.