

REGULAR SESSION

August 26, 2008

Mr. Dwelle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll call was answered by Trustees Timothy Coleman, Jeffrey Ferrell, and William Dwelle.

The next regular meeting will be September 9, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Coleman moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Resolution #2008-0102
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Coleman moved to reallocate 2008 appropriations as follows:

GENERAL FUND		
1000-210-190-0003	Police Salaries – Overtime	\$4,000.00
1000-210-190-0066	Police Salaries – Shift/OIC	500.00
1000-210-190-0001	Police Salaries – Full time	(4,500.00)
CEMETERY FUND		
2041-410-190-0001	Salaries – Full time	1,000.00
FIRE & EMS FUND		
2192-220-190-0066	Salaries – OIC	500.00
2192-220-190-0067	Salaries – Longevity	1,000.00
2192-220-190-0001	Salaries – Full time	(1,500.00)
2192-230-190-0066	Salaries – OIC	500.00
2192-230-190-0001	Salaries – Full time	(500.00)

Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. Mr. Coleman asked if we would be doing this again. Ms. Schaefer said that we would probably do this for each payroll. We have received the second half real estate settlement. Once we receive the second half property tax reallocations from the State and the second half Inheritance tax, then hopefully some of the revenue shortages will be eliminated. Chief Myosky questioned why money was being moved in his accounts when the accurate figures had been provided. Ms. Schaefer said that the detailed breakdown that she had requested was for 2009. Mr. Dwelle explained that the original figures were the figures adopted prior to April 1. Ms. Schaefer explained that the payroll sub accounts were established and funded prior to her taking office. Chief Myosky said that he had provided a complete breakdown based on the last 5-8 years of actual figures. Ms. Schaefer asked if he was sure that he was talking about 2008. She knows that it was done for 2009. Chief Myosky said that he would be over tomorrow with the printouts to go over it. Mr. Ferrell said that he agreed with Chief Myosky. It was agreed that in the future, when it is necessary to transfer funds, payroll would call the department head and advise him of the need to transfer funds. Roll call: Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes; Mr. Dwelle, yes. Resolution adopted.

Ms. Schaefer reported that the Certification of Funds for 2009 had been received from the County Auditor. The estimated resources, based on carryover and new money, for 2009 is \$6,798,640. Last year at this same stage the amount was \$7,667,901. The main difference is the amount that we supplied for other income and more specifically the miscellaneous income.

There is also a slight difference in the estimated 2009 tax revenue. Real Estate taxes decreased \$16,529 and Local Government increased \$6,138, for a net decrease of \$10,391. This is all dependent on the cash carryover. The projected income is approximately \$2 Million less than the projected expenses.

Mr. Coleman moved to adopt the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. Mr. Coleman said that he has grave

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concerns over what we had put forward and what we were given, especially considering what we were given last year. He is reluctant to accept what has been given. He said that he understood what Ms. Schaefer was saying, but it is not clear in his mind since last year they spent almost \$8 Million.

Mr. Ferrell said that they could always ask Mr. Paul and Brianne Markley for a meeting. Ms. Schaefer said that they had had their chance to have a meeting. Mr. Coleman believes that is if we submitted \$8.7 Million and the Budget Commission only certified \$6.7 they should have contacted us.

Mr. Ferrell said that he is concerned that we are being certified for less than what we are receiving this year. Ms. Schaefer explained again that the other income figure, which we provided, included an amount that was also in the tax income amount. Mr. Coleman said that we had received the amount. Ms. Schaefer said that was not true.

Mr. Dwelle said that his concern were they going to have the funds to be able to do the business they needed to do.

Chief Myosky said that he has had contact with the Auditor's Officer constantly. There has been no indication that the collections are going to be less than what has been certified.

Mr. Ferrell said that he would like to see by line items, the revenues and expenses for the last several years. Mr. Dwelle suggested that they table a decision until they get more figures. Then they could ask for a meeting if there were still questions.

Ms. Schaefer will have copies available for the work session. She also got the copies of the 2008 Budget to compare with those for 2009. Last year's Tax amount was \$3,435,900. So that taxes are \$1 Million higher. The unexplained difference is in the "Other Income" column.

Mr. Coleman moved to table the resolution to accept the amounts and rates for 2009. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Resolution #2008-0103

**AMEND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT PAY SCHEDULE
WITH TIMOTHY McCLUNG**

Mr. Coleman moved to amend the settlement agreement with Timothy McClung as follows:

- 11/12th of the annual amount paid bi-weekly over an 11-month period
- 1/12th of the annual amount paid bi-weekly over a 6-month period

Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. This is not changing the total amount of the settlement, only the period and amounts of each payment. Mr. Dwelle said that he feels it should be equal payments over the entire period. Roll call: Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes; Mr. Dwelle, no. Resolution adopted.

The application for Round 23 (2010) of the Issue II project is due September 5th. Kevin Boos and the Fiscal Officer will be going to a WCU meeting on September 11th. There are also some UAN training sessions in the next few months that may be attended by the Fiscal Officer and the office staff. These sessions are free of charge. The only cost would be mileage. Mr. Coleman suggested using a Township vehicle.

Ms. Schaefer gave a recap of the 2008-2009 General Liability policy. The overall cost decreased by approximately \$10,000. In addition there was a credit of \$2,175 for the

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Drug & Alcohol testing. And the VIP credit increased \$2,000. Total amount of decrease in cost was \$14,000.

**Resolution #2008-0104
AUTHORIZE RENEW OF GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE
WITH OTARMA**

Mr. Coleman moved to renew our General Liability with OTARMA at a net cost of \$110,179. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. Under discussion, Mr. Coleman said that there was information OTARMA requested that should be submitted. Roll call: Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes; Mr. Dwelle, yes. Resolution adopted

She reminded the Board that there were a several things that were still needed to address the survey done by loss control and their recommendations.

The Board received a letter from Steve Westcott to all the departments thanking everyone for the prayers and donations. He is looking forward to seeing everyone at the spaghetti dinner on September 20th.

Motel Tax collections through the month of July are \$438,119, which is down 4.5% from last year.

**Resolution #2008-0105
PLEDGE AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL RESERVE**

Mr. Coleman moved to update the names on the pledge agreement with the Federal Reserve. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes; Mr. Dwelle, yes. Resolution adopted.

Trustee Discussion:

Mr. Coleman then updated the Board on the activities of the Park Board. They have applied for one grant for nursery stock and are looking into other grants. They are looking at the placement of the second and third diamonds and utilities. They are looking at the cost for a walking path. Future fields should be less expensive because the engineering has already been completed.

Mr. Dwelle reported that the residents of Bell Avenue had requested that the dirt hill on the Strickfaden property be leveled. He has asked Speer Bros. to see how much time would be involved in leveling it and the cost of doing it.

**Proclamation Declaring August 31, 2008
Firefighters Appreciation Day**

Mr. Dwelle read a proclamation claiming August 31, 2008 as Firefighters Appreciation Day.

Department Reports:

Lt. Parthemore reported that they are continuing their NIMS certification.

Lt. Parthemore presented a certification from the US Marshal's department recognizing Timothy Alexander. The Trustees accepted this to be placed in his personnel file.

Lt. Parthemore presented the Fiscal Officer with a copy of the Equitable Sharing agreement.

Highway Superintendent Sternberg updated the Board on the 2008 Issue II projects.

Superintendent Sternberg presented options for the 2010 Issue II projects. His suggestion is to do Neilson Avenue and London Road. Mr. Coleman said that in light of the previous discussion regarding the Budget he did not know that we could go through with

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it at this time. Mr. Ferrell asked what would happen if we approved it and then could not afford it. Mr. Sternberg said that the money would go back to the State. The only negative thing was that the money did not stay in Erie County.

Resolution #2008-0106

**AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR 2010 OPWC ISSUE II FUNDS
FOR NEILSON AVENUE AND LONDON ROAD**

Mr. Coleman moved to authorize the application for 2010 OPWC grant funds of \$274,500 for Neilson Avenue and London Road for a total project cost of \$616,960 with the Township's share being \$342,460. Mr. Ferrell seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Coleman, yes; Mr. Ferrell, yes; Mr. Dwelle, yes. Resolution adopted.

Chief Myosky advised the Board that they had notification of receipt of a 2008-2009 FEMA grant in the amount of \$188,108. The Township's share is \$9,900. The big-ticketed items include defibrillators for the squads, generator for Station #2, \$8,000 for video library and \$15,000 for everyone to be updated to rescue Tec status. Captains Wohlever, Johnson, and Murphy wrote the grant. Mr. Coleman wished to thank the department, especially the grant writers, for their efforts to secure funds.

Public Forum:

James Caldwell, Stonyridge Drive, said that as a citizen he was negligent. He was aware that a young man was racing his motorcycle on their street. He started to call, but did not. There is another situation that he is not going to overlook. This one involved pre-school youngsters who are going into the street. He asked that the Police Department check into it.

Mark Adams, Indiana Avenue, said that the work on Michigan Avenue was very nice. Regarding the budget, he said something is not adding up. He stressed that the Board needs to look into it. He also asked how many ball diamonds would be located on Bell Avenue. Mr. Coleman said one for sure. The others depend on what happens in other areas.

With no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

William Dwelle, Chairman

Diane Schaefer, Fiscal Officer