

The June 12, 2013 regular meeting of the Delhi Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Vice President Jerome F. Luebbers. Trustee Michael D. Davis, Fiscal Officer Cheryl A. Sieve, Administrator Pete E. Landrum and Law Director David C. Lane were present.

Open the Meeting:

- The meeting began with a moment of silence for those who have served in the armed forces especially those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- The Board received certification that the rules adopted pursuant to Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code had been complied with for the meeting.

Motions for Consideration:

Motion 2013-086

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to approve the bills for payment. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion 2013-087

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to approve the payment of overtime for pay period ending 5-28-2013. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion 2013-088

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to accept the resignation of Patrick Gillespie, Concession Stand Manager effective June 3, 2013. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion 2013-089

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to approve the hiring of Karen S. Gregory as a part-time Assistant Custodian in the Police Department effective June 13, 2013. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES. Motion carried.

Trustee Luebbers reported that Ms. Gregory is replacing an employee who resigned.

Motion 2013-090

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded assenting to the acceptance of Panther Court and a portion of Bandanna Drive each located within Panther Creek subdivision, such streets to become township maintained streets following acceptance by Hamilton County, Ohio. The Director of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this motion to the Hamilton County Engineer. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES. Motion carried.

Presentations:

1. *Oath of Office, Joseph A. Goddard* –

Police Chief Jim Howarth introduced the department's newest police officer, Joe Goddard. Joe is 23 years old, a 2008 graduate of Oak Hills High School and was born and raised in Delhi Township where he currently resides. He participated in the Delhi Police Explorer Post Program where he rose to the rank of Captain, attended Butler Tech Academy and the Police Academy in 2011, and began his career with the Cleves Police Department from August 2011 until May 2013. He plans to continue his education at Cincinnati State Technical College where he will receive his associate's degree and to transfer credits to the University of Cincinnati where he will work on his bachelor's degree.

Trustee Luebbers administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Goddard.

Mr. Goddard thanked the Police Chief and the Board of Trustees for giving him the opportunity to serve the community that he calls home.

Chief Howarth reported that Joe is filling a vacant position that was previously held by Byron Hunt, a detective in the Investigations Division, who retired in November, 2011.

2. *Council on Aging of Southwestern Ohio* - the representative was not available to report.

Trustee Correspondence:

1. Trustee Davis addressed criminal damaging activity going on at Delhi Park. He encouraged the public to call the Delhi Police Department non-emergency number 922-0060 if they witness any suspicious activity. The phone line is answered daily, Sunday through Saturday, until 10:00pm.
2. Trustee Davis referenced correspondence with a resident who was unhappy that the Spray Park was not in operation.
Fiscal Officer Sieve informed the public that the Township had to discontinue the activity due to the monthly operational expense of \$8,000.
3. Trustee Davis acknowledged EMS responders Joe Stoffolano, Jim Polce, Adam O'brien, Dan Albertz, Dave Dannemiller and Matt Klausin for the excellent care his mother received during a recent run.
4. Trustee Luebbers commented on a story published in the Enquirer regarding a report by the State of Ohio Office of Budget and Management which addressed Ohio's improving economy as being a gain that will boost local governments overall revenue through 2014 by 1.8 billion, or 3.5%, through improved property values, higher incomes and more consumer purchases. He disagreed that the boost to the economy would generate additional money for local government.

Report from the Fiscal Officer:

1. Meeting cancellation of the Financial Advisory Board on June 13, 2013. The next meeting will take place on Thursday, July 11, 2013.
2. Notice of Public Hearing reference the Delhi Township Tax Budget as prepared for the Trustees of Delhi Township scheduled on Wednesday, June 26, 2013 at the Township Administration Building, 934 Neeb Road, at 6:00pm for the succeeding

fiscal year ending December 31, 2014 and notice that a copy of the 2014 Tax Budget will be available for inspection at the Delhi Township Administration Building during regular business hours, 8:00am – 4:30pm not less than 10 days before the hearing.

Public Hearing: n/a

Reports from Departments: n/a

Reading of the Resolutions:

Resolution 2013-078

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution approving purchase order obligations incurred on behalf of the Township by the Township Administrator, authorizing payment of certain purchase order obligations, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-079

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution accepting memorandum of rental agreement with the Delhi Seniors for usage of the Delhi Senior/Community Center from June 4, 2013 through December 31, 2013 and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-080

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution accepting and entering into project agreement with the Hamilton County Commissioners for the Copperfield Lane Storm Repair Project No. DL-ERS-001, authorizing the Director of Public Works to execute and deliver necessary documents in connection with the project agreement and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-081

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for accumulated debris at 5146 Grossepointe Lane, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-082

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for excessive vegetation at 5862 Chapelhill Drive, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance. He informed the Board that the inspection found part of the rear yard cut.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-083

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for excessive vegetation at 5121 Mt. Alverno Road, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance.

He informed the Board that the location of the property was between Delhi Pike and Glen Oaks.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-084

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for accumulated debris at 352 Glenoaks Drive, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-085

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for excessive vegetation and accumulated debris at 4560 Fehr Road, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-086

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for excessive vegetation at 345 Brookforest Drive, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-087

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for accumulated debris at 514 Rentz Place, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-088

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution providing for the removal of a junk motor vehicle at 5284 Serenade Drive, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-089

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for excessive vegetation at 4355 St. Dominic Drive, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-090

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for accumulated debris at 469 Rosemont Avenue, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-091

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for excessive vegetation at 471 Pedretti Road, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2013-092

Trustee Davis introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for excessive vegetation at 5262 Delhi Pike, and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Luebbers seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the violation was confirmed during inspection that was acted on in response to a complaint and the informal orders and inspection today confirmed non-compliance. He reported that the property was a vacant lot.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES.

Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

In response to Trustee Davis' question, Mr. Roach reported that 3930 and 3950 Delhi were declared at the last meeting and will be mowed by the end of the month.

Citizen Comment:

Albert C. Duebber addressed the rumor that the Delhi Civic Association and the Delhi Skirt Game Committee were to blame for the failure of the Park levy was inaccurate. He commented that the failure of the Park levy was unfortunate as he believes the reason for the failure to be a total disconnect between the Township and the voters because of certain decisions made by the Board. He felt that it was important for the Board to make an attempt to reconnect with the groups and individuals who voted against the levy suggesting an open forum to discuss the development of a plan for the park system that would fit with the projected park revenue and to consider turning over the maintenance of Floral Paradise Gardens to a qualified volunteer group.

He referenced the community groups who have partnered with the Board over the years and challenged the Board to make an effort to reconnect with them and to reconsider the facility usage fees that have hindered them from using park facilities.

Mr. Duebber referenced the security issue in Delhi Park and the use of the security cameras.

Police Chief Jim Howarth identified a current problem with the security cameras involving foliage on the trees limiting the view and the image that is captured due to the length of time it takes the camera to cycle through one rotation of all of the predetermined locations throughout the park. He suggested an enhancement to the camera that would allow a longer recording time on a fixed location that experiences the most vandalism.

Trustee Luebbers commented that he was only aware of one instance where the camera was useful in identifying someone who caused minor damage to the small out building used by the softball organizers.

Trustee Davis did not think that enhancements to the camera would alleviate the problem because the vandals disregarded the camera in the first place.

Mr. Duebber stated that the Delhi Veteran's Association voted to move the location of their meetings to St. Dominic. He commented that the Veterans are the last of the non-profit community groups to move their meeting location outside of township properties.

Announcement of Community Events:

1. Yard of the Week Contest, sponsored by the Delhi Civic Association, runs Memorial Day through Labor Day. Announcement of winners:
 Week #1 – Joe and Pauline DiSanto, Willow Lake Court
 Week #2 – Lisa Shaw, Orangelawn Drive

- 2. Delhi Skirt Game Committee meeting on Thursday, June 13, 2013 at 7:00pm at Shiloh United Methodist Church.
- 3. Hillside Community Garden Backyard Composting Workshop on Saturday, June 15, 2013.
- 4. Great Parks of Hamilton County Sizzling Summer Nights Concert Series on Saturday, June 15, 2013 at Fernbank Park.

Executive Session: n/a

Adjourn Meeting:

There being no further business to come before the Board on motion of Trustee Davis seconded by Trustee Luebbers the meeting was adjourned. Trustees Luebbers and Davis voted YES. Motion carried.

Approved: _____, Fiscal Officer

_____, President

_____, Vice President

_____, Trustee

I hereby certify that the amounts needed to meet the above obligations have been lawfully appropriated and are in the treasury or the process of collection free from any and all obligations.

Cheryl A. Sieve, Fiscal Officer