

SWANTON TOWNSHIP

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF: REGULAR MEETING

HELD: MARCH 24, 2008

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman, John Warkentin

Officials Present: Trustees: John Warkentin, Jim Irmen, Dennis Tippie
Fiscal Officer: William B. Cook

Visitors Present: Refer to list – 8 visitors

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed.

Motion to pay bills Voucher Number 19937 through 19968 and sign the payment register report by Jim Irmen. Seconded by Dennis Tippie. Roll Call: Jim Irmen, yes; Dennis Tippie, yes; John Warkentin, yes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the March 10, 2008 regular meeting minutes as presented by Jim Irmen. Seconded by John Warkentin. Roll Call: Jim Irmen, yes; John Warkentin, yes; Dennis Tippie, abstain. Motion carried.

Enter letter of resignation as Fiscal Officer Assistant from Sandy Komisarek effective April 1, 2008. Sandy will prepare first draft of March 24, 2008 minutes and get copies to Peggy Michael and Chairman, John Warkentin.

Enter letter from Lucas County Commissioners requesting \$9,801.61 to participate in the Ohio State University's Extension Urban Horticulture program for 2008-09. No action taken on this request.

Enter zoning commission regular and public hearing meeting minutes and document of community concerns which was prepared by zoning commission member, Becky Ziviski during the public hearing on February 18, 2008.

Dennis Tippie advised on Thursday, March 27, the Lucas County Township Association will be discussing Storm Water Coalition Riparian setbacks.

Zoning Inspector/Road Superintendent/Cemetery Sexton Report

- Gary advised the trustees that the backhoe needs new tires. He had a quote of \$245.00 for two front tires. This is for a 12-ply tire. The back tires are badly cupped and need replacing as well. John Warkentin supported the immediate purchase of the front tires. Dennis Tippie advised Gary to get another quote for the rear tires to present at the next regular meeting.
- The base for the new mailbox at the township hall has been installed.
- Gary has discussed drainage problems on township roads – both parallel and cross sections – that run through the park with park officials and said the township will work with them on resolving these issues. The trustees approved purchase of drainage materials and asked Gary to present a cost so a purchase order can be prepared.
- Discussion of Travis Weigel's request for non-resident grave purchases. No action was taken by the trustees. Ref: 3/10/2008 regular meeting minutes for conditions and cost of grave lots. It was agreed that no further non-resident purchases will be allowed at this time.

Motion to increase the price of non-resident graves to \$1500.00 each and increase the price of non-resident grave openings to \$1500.00 each by Jim Irmen. Seconded by Dennis Tippie. Roll Call: Jim Irmen, yes; Dennis Tippie, yes; John Warkentin, yes. Motion carried.

- New house on Manore Road was discussed.

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Motion to set a public hearing for Zoning Change Amendment - REF: Z33-C130 - removal of section 9.5 - Dish Antennas from the Swanton Township zoning resolution at the April 14, 2008 regular meeting at 7:55 p.m. and to advertise in the Swanton Enterprise and post on the township signboard by Jim Irmen. Seconded by Dennis Tippie. Roll Call: Jim Irmen, yes; Dennis Tippie, yes; John Warkentin, yes. Motion carried.

Motion to set a public hearing for the hearing continuation of the Swanton Township Land Use Plan Update, M-4-05 on April 14, 2008 at 8:15 p.m. and to advertise in the Swanton Enterprise and post on the township signboard by Jim Irmen. Seconded by Dennis Tippie. Roll Call: Jim Irmen, yes; Dennis Tippie, yes; John Warkentin, yes. Motion carried.

Motion to set a public hearing for Land-Air Group - Zone Change Request from A - Agricultural to C-4 Highway Commercial and M-1 Limited Industrial for frontage along Airport Highway, SR 295, and Seaway Quarry. Ref: Z33-C129 on April 28, 2008 at 8 p.m. and to advertise in the Swanton Enterprise and post on the township signboard by Jim Irmen. Seconded by Dennis Tippie. Roll Call: Jim Irmen, yes; Dennis Tippie, yes; John Warkentin, yes. Motion carried.

- Discussion on "No Engine Brake" signs. Gary will talk to the county about these signs.
- There was discussion on the outside storage at the Store More storage units on Airport Hwy. Section 9.15 of the zoning resolution was discussed.

Motion to go into Executive Session by Dennis Tippie in accordance with ORC 121.22 letter G, item #1, "To investigate complaints against a public official and to consider dismissal of a public official" at 8:01 p.m. by Dennis Tippie. Seconded by Jim Irmen. Roll Call: Dennis Tippie, yes; Jim Irmen, yes; John Warkentin, yes. Motion Carried.

Return from Executive Session at 8:09 p.m. No action or voting was taken during executive session.

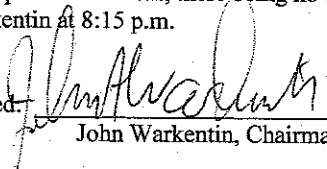
Dennis Tippie read his answer to a letter submitted by resident, Mary Solomon on March 10, 2008 regarding the renovation of the Swanton Township Hall.

Enter copy of this response into the record.

Discussion on a letter that George Oravec presented to the Swanton Township Zoning Commission regarding the water testing at the quarry by the Lucas County Board of Health and the removal of the N-Viro Soil by July 1, 2008.

John Warkentin recognized and thanked Fiscal Officer William B. Cook for his seven years of service on the zoning commission and 24 ½ years of service to the township as clerk and fiscal officer. Bill advised the trustees that he is working with Fiscal Officer Elect, Peggy Michael, to ensure a smooth transition as she takes office on April 1, 2008.

After public comment, there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman, John Warkentin at 8:15 p.m.

Signed: 
John Warkentin, Chairman

Signed: 
Peggy Michael, Fiscal Officer