

PARKMAN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting of May 6, 2008

The meeting of the Parkman Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were Trustees-Kevin O'Reilly, Lucinda Sharp-Gates and Patrick Joyce, Fiscal Officer-Nancy Wheelock, Tom Evers, John Augustine, Wayne Komandt, Mike Komandt, John Hasman, Debbie Wilson, Richard Sedivy, Julee Sedivy, Sandy Parnaby, Faith Kumher and Wendy Anderson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Lucinda and seconded by Patrick to waive the reading of the April 15, 2008 meeting minutes and to approve the same. (Resolution No. 08-72) Motion carried unanimously.

Public Discussion

Richard and Julee Sedivy, residents of Amblaire Drive, were present to discuss a speed limit reduction at the Surrey Hill Subdivision. The Sedivy's expressed their concern for the safety of the children living in the subdivision and asked the Board to change the speed limit presently posted at 55 mph. Ohio Revised Code, Section 4511.21 provides a Township to change a speed limit on a roadway under the Township's jurisdiction. The Trustees had visited the Surrey Hill Subdivision site prior to the meeting and agreed the speed limit should be reduced to 35 mph. Patrick moved, seconded by Lucinda, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a request has been made to this Board that the Statutory vehicular speed limit established by Sec. 4511.21, Revised Code of Ohio is greater than that considered reasonable and safe on Surrey Hill Subdivision (Barnstable and Amblaire) from Old State Road to Old State Road in Parkman Township, and

WHEREAS, this board has caused to be made an engineering and traffic investigation upon the section described above, and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of this Board that such investigation confirms the allegation that the statutory speed limit of 55 mph is unrealistic.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees of Parkman Township, Geauga County, Ohio that:

Section 1. By the virtue of the provisions of Sec. 4511.21, Revised Code of Ohio the Board of Township Trustees hereby determine and declare a reasonable and safe prima facie speed limit of 35 mph on Surrey Hill Subdivision (Barnstable & Amblaire) from Old State Road to Old State Road in Parkman Township.

Section 2. That this Board has determined and declared a reasonable and safe speed limit on this section of road described in section 1 hereof, standard signs, properly posted and giving notice thereof will be erected.

(Resolution No. 08-73) Motion carried unanimously. Tom Evers will post the speed limit signs along the roadway in compliance with The Ohio Manual of Traffic Control Devices.

Faith Kumher was in attendance on behalf of the Parkman Chamber of Commerce and requested authorization to purchase dirt and flowers for the flower boxes at the Community House. A motion was made by Lucinda and seconded by Patrick to approve the purchase of dirt and flowers for the Community House flower boxes up to \$200.00. (Resolution No. 08-74) Motion carried unanimously. Faith thanked the Board of Trustees for the use of the Community House for the Chamber of Commerce functions.

Sandy Parnaby also was in attendance on behalf of the Parkman Chamber of Commerce. Sandy requested confirmation of the ownership of the "Welcome to Parkman" signs. The Trustees confirmed the signs are owned by the Chamber of Commerce. A discussion was held on the horseshoe pits located at Overlook Park. Sandy advised the Trustees that the horseshoe pits need to be maintained under the guidelines of the state grant used to build the facilities at Overlook Park. Tom will install a fence near the horseshoe pits to control vehicle parking in this area.

Departmental Reports

- Fire

- a. Consultant – Fire Chief, Wayne Komandt reported on the cost of a consultant for services in the planning of the potential consolidation of the Troy Township Volunteer Fire Department and the Parkman Township Volunteer Fire Department. The fee for each fire department would cost a minimum of \$7500.00. Wayne feels this fee is high-priced and he will continue discussions with Troy Township on this issue.

- Roads

- a. Able Security – Tom Evers presented a proposal for a fire and security system at the fire department and a proposal for the road department from Able Security & Automation, Corp. The installation of a fire and security system at the fire department will cost \$2105.00 with a 24 hour monthly monitoring fee of \$20.00/month. A fire and security system installed at the road department will cost \$2957.00 plus the \$20.00/month monitoring fee. Tom will gather more information on these systems to discuss at the next meeting.
- b. Material - Tom requested authorization to purchase additional steel slag from Zeigler Earthworks. Lucinda moved, seconded by Patrick, to authorize the purchase of 1000 tons of steel slag at \$13.50/ton from Zeigler Earthworks. (Resolution No. 08-75) Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Owen Road – Tom presented a letter to be sent to the property owners on Owen Road to notify the residents of the upcoming Owen Road project and the price of the culvert pipe replacement. Since the culvert pipe cost is the responsibility of the property owner, the letter advises that the Township will accept two payment options. The cost of \$310.00 per driveway pipe can be paid in full by July 1, 2008 or paid in 3 installments of \$100.00 due on June 1, 2008, July 1, 2008 and August 1, 2008. The Township will give the property owner a 2 day notice prior to the work on their driveway.
- d. Sewer Tie-In Project – Tom presented an estimate from Marlboro Supply for material to connect the Township buildings to the sewage plant. The material is expected to cost approximately \$1750.00. Patrick made a motion, seconded by Lucinda, to authorize the purchase of material from Marlboro Supply for

\$1750.00 for the sewer tie-in project. (Resolution No. 08-76) Motion carried unanimously.

- e. Laser – Tom reported that he took the laser to Precision Laser & Instrument, Inc. for repair. Tom received a repair cost of \$506.50 to service the laser. Tom informed the Board that the Township can purchase a new laser for \$900.00 with a possible trade-in of \$200.00. Lucinda made a motion, seconded by Patrick, to purchase the \$900.00 laser from Precision Laser & Instrument, Inc. (Resolution No. 08-77) Motion carried unanimously.

- **Zoning**

- a. Hauser – John Hasman provided an update on the status of the Hauser zoning violation issue. David Hauser filed for a zoning variance for his landscaping business located on 17917 Madison Road and the Zoning Board of Appeals held a variance meeting. A decision was not made at the initial meeting and the Board of Appeals has scheduled a follow-up meeting for May 13, 2008.
- b. Englehart Complaint – A letter was received from Richard Englehart reporting potential zoning violations at the property of Melvin Byler on Owen Road and several other residents in the Township. Mr. Englehart believes these residents are in violation and asked the Township to investigate. John will inspect the properties referenced and follow-up with a letter to Mr. Englehart.

Old Business

1. Telephone – Lucinda presented a quote from Airtime Cellular to transfer the current telephone service to a wireless system. The Board reviewed the monthly plan which includes 2200 minutes, voice mail, 3 lines and air card for approximately \$189.99/month. Wayne Komandt asked the Board to continue using the current land line telephone service at the fire department. He has reservations about using a cell phone at the fire station. A discussion was held on the need for a land line at the Township buildings for Able Security and Automation to monitor fire and security. Lucinda will check into this further.
2. Route 422 Project – Patrick reported that he received details of a near miss accident between a box truck and a school bus on Hobart Road and was asked by the Cardinal School Bus Dispatch to look into signage on Hobart Road and Farmington Road due to the increase of traffic on the local detour route and the limited visibility. The Cardinal School Bus Dispatch sent the addresses of the locations for the “Bus Stop Ahead” signs. Patrick forwarded the addresses to the County Engineer and reported that the signs have been posted. Patrick also received notification from Karvo Paving that Karvo is in compliance with the proper traffic control procedures on Route 422 regarding the work zone bus stop issue and has ordered specialty signs to hang by each residence in the construction zone to warn the public and assist with the safety of the children. Patrick was advised by Karvo Paving that Reynolds Road will be closed at the Route 422 intersection about the first of the month. A detour sign will be erected and the Township will be notified 24 hours prior to the start of the actual road demolition so everyone affected can be notified.

3. Veteran of the Year/Memorial Day – The Trustees selected Dennis Testa to be honored at the Memorial Day Service as the Veteran of the Year. Kevin has notified the Testa family and confirmed attendance with the Memorial Day Observance participants.

New Business

1. Emergency Declaration – The Trustees received a letter from the Department of Emergency Services informing the political jurisdictions in Geauga County of a Presidential Declaration for the ice storm of March 7-9, 2008. The President of the United States declared Geauga County eligible for reimbursement of expenses for the 48-hour period of snow/ice removal. A briefing will be held at the Geauga County Department of Emergency Services on Friday, May 9th to fill out the necessary paperwork for eligible applicants. Lucinda will attend the briefing.

Motion to Pay Bills

A motion was made by Lucinda and seconded by Patrick to pay the wages and bills from warrant #15741 through warrant #15782. (Resolution No. 08-78) Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Lucinda and seconded by Patrick to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. (Resolution No. 08-79) Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,



Nancy Wheelock
Fiscal Officer



Kevin O'Reilly
Chairman