

**Millcreek Township Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 6, 2012**

The Millcreek Township Trustees of Union County, Ohio convened in regular session from 7:00 p.m. to 8:50 p.m. at the Millcreek Township Community Building for the monthly meeting. Mr. Lynch called the meeting to order with the following members present:

MEMBERS: Keith Conroy, Bill Lynch, Bill Jordan, and Joyce Beaver.

ATTENDEES: Zoning Administrator - Joe Clase, Nicholas Rothbrust, James McDermott, Christina McDermott, Robert Barker, Brian Clark, Jane Wright, Chief Skeldon – Jerome Township Fire Department, and Tim Sutter – First Energy.

Receipts

Receipts for the month: Union County Auditor Monthly Distribution: Gasoline Tax \$7,213.58; Motor Vehicle License Tax \$78.38; Local Government Distribution \$1,549.93. David Class \$400.00 cemetery lots. Joanne Rausch \$50.00 building rental. Marysville Municipal Court \$428.50 traffic fines. Star Ohio: \$17.79.

Business Session

Mr. Lynch asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 2, 2012.

- **Resolution #1081:** motion to approve the minutes of the January 2, 2012 regular meeting by Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Conroy.
- Motion unanimously approved.

The trustees discussed continuing township participation in the Code Red Weather Alert System.

- **Resolution #1082:** motion for Millcreek Township to continue participation in the Code Red Weather Alert System and authorize payment of the annual fee of \$500.00 by Mr. Conroy, seconded by Mr. Lynch.
- Motion unanimously approved.

Chief Skeldon, Jerome Township Fire Department, attended the meeting for his bi-annual visit.

- He presented the 2011 annual report of fire/ems runs in Millcreek Township.

Citizen Comments

Mr. Rothbrust asked whether the township had established regulations regarding containment of domestic and farm animals.

- Mr. Rothbrust proceeded to explain that free range chickens and a dog from his neighbor's property, Bill Jordan, had been causing damage to his landscaping and yard for several years. Mr. Rothbrust also presented the trustees with dated pictures documenting his allegations.
- Mr. Rothbrust has tried to work out a solution with Mr. and Mrs. Jordan and has resolved the issue with the dog, however he is continuing to have problems with the chickens being on his property.
- Mr. Lynch stated the township has no latitude on animal control issues and advised Mr. Rothbrust of his options which include trying to resolve the problem with Mr. and Mrs. Jordan or call Union County Animal Control and the sheriff's department.

Tim Sutter, a representative from First Energy, presented the trustees with a flow chart and diagram depicting the three placement options for a proposed electric transmission line that will go through Millcreek Township.

- Involved property owners have been notified that surveyors would be collecting data.
- Two of the proposed routes currently have existing power lines. The third route does not have existing power lines although First Energy has had right of way since 1966.
- Once all the data had been collected, the PUCO will hold public hearings to determine which of the proposed routes is the most viable.

Jane Wright, representing the Christian Fellowship Ball Association, asked whether the new fee schedule for usage of the ball field could be modified.

- The fee schedule adopted in December, 2011 stated there would be an additional fee for

use of the ball field for any games held after 8:00 p.m. Mrs. Wright asked if the time could be modified to 8:30 p.m. as their games would be over by that time.

- **Resolution #1083:** motion to modify the fee schedule to additional fees will apply to any games that go past 8:30 p.m. by Mr. Conroy, seconded by Mr. Lynch.
- Motion unanimously approved.

Sheriff's Report

No deputy was in attendance.

Zoning

Zoning Administrator

Mr. Clase presented the monthly call and activity log for January.

- **Resolution #1084:** motion to approve the Zoning Administrator's report as submitted for January, 2012 by Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Jordan.
- Motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Clase informed the trustees he will be attending a Certified Economic Development training course at the IDEC Conference.

- Most of the cost of the training will be absorbed by Mr. Clase full time employer, Mr. Clase inquired as to whether Millcreek Township would cover the cost of lodging for five nights during the conference.
- **Resolution #1085:** motion to cover the cost of Mr. Clase lodging, not to exceed \$1,300.00 at the IDEC Conference, for the course on Certified Economic Development as the content would also benefit Millcreek Township by Mr. Conroy, seconded by Mr. Lynch.
- Motion unanimously approved.

Zoning Commission

The Zoning Commission held a joint session with the trustees to discuss the proposed MORPC map and a grant for the township park.

Zoning Commission appointment of members was discussed.

- **Resolution #1086:** motion to appoint Freeman Troyer to a five year term on the Zoning Commission effective February 1, 2012 by Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Jordan.
- Motion unanimously approved.
- **Resolution #1087:** motion to appoint Kenny Coakley as a regular member on the Zoning Commission for five years effective February 1, 2012 by Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Jordan.

Motion unanimously approved.

Board of Zoning Appeals

The Board of Zoning Appeals held their organization meeting in January and reviewed existing CUP's.

- Prior to the meeting, CUP property owners were contacted as well as a visual inspection of the property was conducted.
- CUP's were revoked for those that have not been active for over a year.

Shearer Property

The trustees asked about progress on the Shearer property.

- Mr. Clase stated the BZA gave Mr. Shearer a one year extension because the county requested he change from a residential to a commercial building permit.

Trustees

Mr. Lynch

- The Jerome Village sewer line was not holding pressure and failed the initial test with water. The problem has been corrected.

Mr. Conroy

- Registration for use of the township ball field began February 1, 2012.
- There will be a neighborhood watch meeting on February 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the township community center. The PSO levy on the March 6 ballot will also be discussed. If

residents are unable to attend this information meeting a similar meeting is being held in Jerome Township on February 23.

- Mr. Conroy has been in contact with Solarity a wireless, high speed internet carrier. They are in contract negotiations with the owner of the cell tower on Smart Cole Road to use that tower. If an agreement is reached, Solarity could offer high speed internet to Millcreek Township residents at competitive pricing.

Mr. Jordan

- The township building furnaces have been installed. The air conditioning units will be tested once warm weather arrives.
- The roof repair on the township building is complete. The joints were caulked and screws were replaced.
- The front door weather stripping guards have been adjusted.

Other

The trustees thoroughly reviewed the bank statement/bank reconciliation and confirmed the bank statement and cancelled checks had not been modified in any way. The trustees duly noted the check sequence from the previous month ending with check #3348 and checks presented for approval at the current meeting beginning with check #3349. The trustees compared the accuracy of the expenditures/electronic fund withdrawals and receipts to those listed in the minutes.

- **Resolution #1088:** motion to approve the bank statement and bank reconciliation by Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Conroy.
- Motion unanimously approved.

The trustees attested to the payment of the bills. The fiscal officer certified funds are available for the payment of the bills which were presented and approved by the trustees.

- **Resolution #1089:** motion to pay bills by Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Jordan.
- Motion unanimously approved.

	3349	Joyce Beaver	1000-110-121	1,119.38
	3350	Joe Clase	1000-130-330	571.12
	3351	Keith Conroy	1000-110-111	261.63
	3351	Keith Conroy	2021-330-111	261.65
	3352	William Jordan	1000-110-111	409.47
	3352	William Jordan	2021-330-111	409.49
	3353	William Lynch	1000-110-111	370.74
	3353	William Lynch	2021-330-111	410.74
	Vouc	IRS	1000-110-111	20.52
	Vouc	IRS	1000-110-121	268.94
	Vouc	IRS	1000-110-213	56.78
	Vouc	IRS	1000-130-150	127.29
	Vouc	IRS	2021-330-111	20.52
	Vouc	IRS	2021-330-213	20.52
	3354	OPERS	1000-110-111	141.48
	3354	OPERS	1000-110-121	165.05
	3354	OPERS	1000-130-150	85.00
	3354	OPERS	1000-110-211	548.13
	3354	OPERS	2021-330-111	141.48
	3354	OPERS	2021-330-211	198.06
	3355	Ohio Public Emp. Def.	1000-110-111	300.00
B 6-12	3356	Tonya Jordan	1000-120-329	275.00
	3357	Bureau of Worker's Com	1000-110-230	953.58
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B 4-12	3358	Union County Sheriff	1000-110-599	500.00
P 7-12	3359	Columbus Ohio Gas	1000-120-353	1,392.74
B12-12	3360	Ohio Utilities Protection	1000-130-599	50.00
B 3-12	3361	Joe Clase	1000-110-410	323.49
B10-12	3361	Joe Clase	1000-130344	33.15
B 2-12	3362	Marysville JT	1000-110-345	61.99
B11-12	3362	Marysville JT	1000-130-345	29.06
P11-12	3363	Verizon Wireless	1000-130-341	43.28

B 5-12	3364	Lee's Roofing & Spout	1000-120-323	540.00
B 7-12	3365	Bill Jordan	1000-120-420	53.18

Interest for the month is: \$248.05.

Interest for the year is: \$248.05.

All formal actions of the Millcreek Township Trustees of Union County concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Motion to adjourn.

- **Resolution #1090:** motion to adjourn by Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Conroy.
- Motion unanimously approved.