

**OHIO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
February 4, 2013**

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**CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER** – The regular monthly meeting of the Ohio Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman, Tom Beatty, on Monday, February 4, 2013 at the Ohio Township Municipal Building.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Beatty asked the secretary to note the presence of all three supervisors, Herb Hartle, Jim Reid and Tom Beatty.

**COMMENTS FROM THE CITIZENS** – None.

**PUBLIC HEARING** – A public hearing was held to discuss the Traditions of America (TOA) PRD. David Biddison of TOA gave a brief presentation of the 241 units proposed on the Lenzner Property on Duff Road. They are looking for 3 waivers: side yard setback reduction from 20 ft. to 15 ft.; lengthen the requirement of a cul-de-sac an additional 13 ft.; and requirement of sidewalks throughout the entire project. They are proposing sidewalks on all major roads, asphalt walking trails on the other streets but not on the three streets where the topography of the area prevents a safe walking area. Mr. Rich Stringert, 215 Linda Vista Road spoke about traffic concerns around the Duff Road and Mt. Nebo Road area. Mr. Beatty stated we need a motion to approve the PRD for Traditions of America. Mr. Hartle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reid to approve the PRD request. The motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** – Mr. Beatty announced that the minutes were posted on the bulletin board. Mr. Reid made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hartle, to approve the minutes as posted. The motion was carried unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Mr. Sullivan read the treasurer's report for the month of January. Mr. Hartle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reid, to approve the treasurer's report as read. The motion was carried unanimously.

**INVOICES DUE FOR PAYMENT** - Mr. Sullivan read the total invoices due for payment are \$129,695.18 which covers checks #16689 to #16834 (PNC Bank), Checks #1114 to #1116 for the total of \$1,421.74 (DEA). Mr. Hartle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reid approving the invoices due for payment. The motion was carried unanimously.

**POLICE SUMMARY** –The police summary for the month of January is as follows: The Ohio Township Police Department responded to 166 calls. 17 Alarms, 6 Disabled Vehicles, 2 Domestic Disturbances, 11 Road Department Callouts, 2 Fires (including alarms founded/unfounded), 5 motor vehicle accidents, 6 Suspicious Circumstances, 2 Animal Complaints, 5 Traffic Accidents, 20 Medical Emergency/Assistance Calls, 19 Traffic Citations, 4 Lockouts (Vehicle/Bldg), 6 Traffic & Parking Problems, and 61 Miscellaneous Calls.

**FIRE REPORT** - Chief Frazier submitted the emergency and fire report for the month of January as follows: The Ohio Township Fire Department responded to 16 calls. 11 Vehicle Crashes, 2 Fire Alarms, 1 Structure Fire, 1 Natural Gas Leak, and 1 transformer fire.

**PLANNING COMMISSION** – The minutes of the January Planning Commission are posted on the bulletin board.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT** – Ohio Township's efforts to keep its residents updated and informed about the community have earned the municipality an award in the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Township Citizen Communication Contest. Ohio Township tied for

first place in the “Other Publication” category, receiving recognition for our “Recycle It” Customer Handbook. We shared the first place honor with Millcreek Township in Erie County.

All contest entries were judged on the usefulness of information presented how well the information was communicated to township residents, their overall attractiveness, and readability.

**MANAGER’S REPORT** – The municipal office will be closed on Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup> in observance of President’s Day.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT** – Mr. Reid noted the road department has been working on snow removal and equipment maintenance.

**RECREATION REPORT** - Park Rentals for the month of February – 3. Park Rentals for the month of March – 2. Preschool Story Time will be held on February 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am. Preschool Arts and Crafts will be held on February 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 pm. Father/ Daughter Valentines Dance was held on Friday February 1<sup>st</sup> with 16 people in attendance. Family and Friends Special Needs Day takes place on Saturday, February 9, at Ross Township Community Center from 12 till 3. The Teen Board will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, February 13 at 6:30 pm at the Nature Center. If you would like to join, space is still available. Family Movie Night will be held on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm at the Nature Center Lower Level and the movie is Brave rated PG. The Travel Show featuring the Beauty of Britain and Northern National Parks will take place on February 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None.

**NEW BUSINESS** – Mr. Beatty stated we need a motion to approve the 3-year Maher Duessel contract. **Mr. Reid made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hartle to approve the new 3-year audit contract. The motion was carried unanimously.**

Mr. Beatty stated we have the Anima contract for consideration. This is an animal control company that currently services Franklin Park. **Mr. Hartle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reid to approve the Anima contract. The motion was carried unanimously.**

Mr. Beatty stated we have the Local Government Proclamation for approval. This is a proclamation proclaiming the week of April 15-19, 2013 as Local Government Week. **Mr. Hartle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reid to approve the Proclamation for Local Government Week. The motion was carried unanimously.**

Mr. Beatty stated we have the Final Approval for Phase 5A Cobblestone Subdivision. At this time, Mr. Jim Rumbaugh wanted to clarify his waiver request for Phase 5A. He is requesting a reduction of the 50 ft. right-of-way to 40 ft right-of-way with a 10 ft. easement on each side. **Mr. Reid made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hartle to approve Cobblestone Phase 5A Subdivision. The motion was carried unanimously.**

Mr. Beatty stated we have Resolution No. 6-13 for approval. This is a resolution setting the real estate tax collector compensation for the next 4 years (2014-2017). **Mr. Hartle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reid to approve Resolution No. 6-13. The motion was carried unanimously.**

**SOLICITORS REPORT** – None.

**CORRESPONDENCE** – Mr. Sullivan reported that he had received a letter from Comcast concerning price adjustment on their Xfinity on Demand package. Beginning March 1, 2013, new prices will apply to select video services and equipment. New prices will also take effect May 1, 2013 for Limited Basic and Expanded Basic services.

**ADJOURNMENT** – There being no further business, Mr. Hartle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reid to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

The next monthly meeting will be March 4, 2013.