# WESTFILED TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING JUNE 18, 2007 7:00 PM

Chairman, Jeff Plumer, opened the meeting by asking those in attendance to stand and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Trustees in attendance: Jeffrey Plumer, Carolyn Sims, Timothy Kratzer Also in attendance: Martha Evans, Fiscal Officer/Clerk; Jack Snoddy; Mark Goffinet, Auditor's Office; Dennis Delagrange; Ken & Lisa Beckman; Tom & Karen Micklas; Ron & Marlene Oiler; John Miller; Jim Likely; Lucas Seltzer, Wireless Capital Partners; and Bob Lamm, from Associated Underwriters Ins.

### CELL TOWER LEASE:

Jeff recognized Lucas Seltzer from Wireless Capital Partner. Lucas gave a presentation to buy out our cell tower lease. 25 years - \$80,000 40 years \$93,500.

- ✓ The present lease has a 60 day notice of termination
- √ Technology change
- √ Time value of money (economics)
- ✓ Site marketing ability
- ✓ Lease reversion period

The trustees had questions about the risk and were assured by Mr. Seltzer that there was not a risk. The trustees will consider the offer and make a decision at a later date. There were questions about the economics from the audience, which Mr. Seltzer answered.

# HEALTH COVERAGE FOR EMPLOYEES:

Bob Lamm, from Associated Underwriters Ins presented Health Care Comparisons. The current carrier is Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield with renewal date of July 1, 2007. The current rate increase for health care coverage for the employees is 26%. After making an application with the current employees the rate decreased to 13% increase. The other options were:

- ✓ Summacare
- ✓ Medical Mutual
- ✓ Aetna

Summacare plan PPO 5315 was very comparable to the coverage that is in place presently with a cost savings of more than \$1,000 per month. The employees were instructed to see if their physician and hospital was on the list of preferred physicians and hospitals. The applications will be in the clerk's office to be completed if the employees accept.

### 7611 Greenwich Road:

The trustees received from the Fire Chief the records of the inspection of 7611 Greenwich Road and that it was found to be a health and safety risk to the community of Westfield Township. A nearby resident was present and offered their concerns about the vegetation, garbage and other debris that is on the premises.

Jeff will talk with Bill Thorne if the township could put a sign on the property. Carolyn suggested the trustees follow the steps as outlined by the prosecutor's office.

Carolyn Sims offered RESOLUTON 2007-09 -RESOLUTION FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF A PROGRAM DEALING WITH MAINTENANCE OF VEGETATION, GARBAGE, REFUSE, AND/OR OTHER DEBRIS CONSTITUTING A NUISANCE AT THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 7611 GREENWICH ROAD WITHIN WESTFIELD TOWNSHIP, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO, seconded by Tim Kratzer.

Roll call: Jeff Plumer, Carolyn Sims, Tim Kratzer

Carolyn moved to send Bryan Nelson a courtesy letter, seconded by Tim. Roll call: Jeff Plumer, Carolyn Sims, Tim Kratzer

Resident/Zoning Commission Alternate, John Miller offered to fill the open position on the Zoning Commission. John felt being an alternate, attending meetings, training sessions, and being interested in the community zoning in general he could help with township planning.

Carolyn now moved to appoint John Miller to fill the vacant seat (which was held by Wayne Brezina), seconded by Jeff.

Roll call: Jeff, aye; Carolyn, aye; Tim, No

Jeff made a motion to appoint Ron Oiler as the alternate to the zoning commission, seconded by Tim.

Carolyn's discussion – No, No, No. We have applicants that would like to get involved in the community. Mr. Oiler has stated he has controversial views on some of the planning in the township.

Roll call: Tim, aye; Carolyn, NO; Jeff, aye.

Dennis Delagrange asked how many meetings Russ Zupanic has missed. Marlene stated maybe 3.

Jeff announced there will be a Chippewa Lake advisory committee meeting June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007 @ 7:00 PM at the Buffalo Creek Retreat. Jeff is a member of that board.

Jim Likely asked could a person serve on two boards?

Carolyn, No. We should be looking at new applicants for the zoning boards because one person cannot serve on two boards in the same entity. We should review interested residents applications on file.

Jeff will ask Bill Thorne. Carolyn stated no need to ask Bill.

Carolyn had a meeting June 13, 2007 with several county officials. The topic was mainly the preservation of the aquifer. The area is in the southeastern portion of Westfield Township. Amelia Lipsrew will be available July 10, 2007 to meet with the zoning commission and the trustees to give a presentation on farmland preservation. Jeff said it was fine with him.

## CLERK'S REPORT:

The sound equipment has been delivered.

Tim Kratzer offered RESOLUTION 2007-08 A RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ADVANCE OF REAL ESTATE TAXES FOR THE SECOND HALF COLLECTIONS 2007, seconded by Carolyn.

Roll call: Jeff, aye; Carolyn, aye; Tim, aye.

The Auditor of State has released the 3-way contract between Knox & Knox: Westfield Township and the State Auditor. We can go forward with a State Audit hopefully beginning in August 2007.

OP&F reported they are still trying to get some of the penalties & interest abated on the August and September 2006 untimely reports. Good news, we do have a credit of \$542.38 at the OP&F.

All checks from the Medina County Auditor will be direct deposit to the township's checking account beginning sometime in July 2007.

IRS has sent letters that they did not find a basis for removing the deposit penalties and interest. The amount is \$25,350.42 as of June 15, 2007.

The certified letters have been sent to Westfield Terrace, Medina Co. Treas., Great Lakes Bank, and Mr. Sommers.

Tim made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Carolyn. Roll call: Jeff, aye; Carolyn, aye; Tim, aye.

Jeff declared the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED July 16, 2007

Chairman, Jeffrey Plumer Trustee, Timothy Kratzer Trustee, Carolyn Sims, Clerk, Evans

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