

The November 9, 2011 regular meeting of the Delhi Township Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Albert C. Duebber. Trustees Michael D. Davis and Jerome F. Luebbers, Fiscal Officer Cheryl A. Sieve, Administrator Gerard G. Schroeder and Law Director David C. Lane were also present.

Open the Meeting:

- The meeting began with invocation led by Annette Hess with St. Simon Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Ms. Hess reported on her service at St. Simon since 1970 and that she will continue to work with Father Mike until his retirement in 2 years.
- The Board received certification that the rules adopted pursuant to Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code had been complied with for the meeting.

Motions for Consideration:

Motion 2011-142

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Luebbers seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meetings of October 26th and dispense with the reading. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion 2011-143

Trustee Luebbers moved and Trustee Davis seconded to approve the bills for payment. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion 2011-144

Trustee Luebbers moved and Trustee Davis seconded to approve the payment of overtime. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion 2011-145

Trustee Luebbers moved and Trustee Davis seconded to approve the following special meeting dates for the 2012 Operating Budget Hearings with all meetings to begin at 5:30 p.m. in the Trustee meeting room:

Parks	Monday, November 14
Public Works	Monday, November 14
Fire	Monday, November 21
Administration	Monday, November 21
TIF	Monday, November 21
Police	Monday, November 28
Development Services	Monday, November 28

Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES. Motion carried.

Trustee Duebber reported that he will be absent on November 14th and 21st. He directed Administrator Schroeder to forward the hearing materials to Marijane Klug.

Trustee Duebber congratulated Mrs. Klug on her win.

Trustees' Correspondence:

Trustee Duebber congratulated Command Sergeant Major Henry Armstrong on his recent Medal of Honor which he received from the Delhi Township Veterans' Association.

Mr. Armstrong served 41 years in the United States Army. He talked about his military service over the years and was honored with the acknowledgement.

Report from the Fiscal Officer: n/a

Presentations:

Hamilton County Coalition to Stop Fraud, Scams & Abuse –

Hamilton County Commissioner Greg Hartmann invited the Board to join the Coalition in an effort to educate the public about how to prevent from becoming a victim of fraud, scams and abuse. Consumers of all ages are all potential victims.

He reported that the Coalition including law enforcement, community leaders and civic groups, was formed about 1 ½ years ago at a time when fraud scams were on the rise as a result of the economic downturn. Some of the member organizations include the Council on Aging, FBI, educational institutions, and universities, Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office, Homeownership Center of Greater Cincinnati and Hamilton County Job & Family Services.

The Coalition's first objective was to put together a comprehensive plan including information about different kinds of scams and details about how people become victims. Their next step involving education and community outreach is accomplished via the website, facebook, twitter, ongoing public speaking engagements, various workshops and events.

Lori Petri, with the Council on Aging spoke about the importance of educating the elderly and their families about fraud and scam tactics that are more prevalent among their age group. Senior citizens are more easily exploited by those with whom they establish a trusting relationship, at times can involve a family member or homecare provider, while the individual gains access to personal financial information.

The elderly are also more particularly at risk of becoming victim to charity and sweepstake scams because they tend to be more easily accessible. People who enter a lot of sweepstakes are more inclined to be at risk for having their name and information sold to unscrupulous sweepstakes operators.

For more information and resources about how to stop fraud, scams and abuse, go to <http://www.hamilton-co.org/fraud/>.

Any suspicion of fraud should be reported to the Delhi Police Department at 922-0060.

Trustee Duebber congratulated Chief Howarth on a new criminal activity alert system recently implemented by the department. Chief Howarth reported that a resident can register at citizenobserver.com to start receiving Delhi Township police alerts via text message or email.

Outstanding Issues:

1. *Financial Advisory Board replacement* – Deferred until November 30th meeting.
2. *Floral Paradise Garden restroom* – Trustee Duebber reported that request for proposals were distributed to several contractors and the Delhi Business Association last week and department heads, FAB and Zoning board members this week for forwarding to any contractor of which they recommend. The submission deadline is November 16 at 2:30 p.m.

Department Reports: n/a

Reading of the Resolutions:

Resolution 2011-188

Trustee Luebbers introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution approving purchase order obligations incurred on behalf of the Township by the Township Administrator, authorizing payment of certain purchase order obligations and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Davis seconded.

Trustee Luebbers moved and Trustee Davis seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES.

Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2011-189

Trustee Luebbers introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution entering into a services agreement and supplement with Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company, LLC for the provision of dedicated Fuse service, authorizing the Township Administrator to execute the agreement and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Davis seconded.

Trustee Luebbers moved and Trustee Davis seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES.

Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2011-190

Trustee Luebbers introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution budgeting and amending revenues, making appropriations for expenses in various funds and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Davis seconded.

Trustee Luebbers moved and Trustee Davis seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES.

Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2011-191

Trustee Luebbers introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for excessive vegetation and accumulated debris at 5416 Whitemore Drive and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Davis seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the department received a dual complaint about this address, informal orders were issued having no compliance and the follow up inspection today confirmed that the violation persists. He asked the Board to declare the property a nuisance to allow him to move forward with the nuisance abatement process.

Trustee Luebbers moved and Trustee Davis seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES.

Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2011-192

Trustee Luebbers introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution declaring nuisance for accumulated debris at 5040 Chantilly Drive and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Davis seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that the department received the complaint, informal orders were issued having no compliance and the follow up inspection today confirmed that the violation persists. He asked the Board to declare the property a nuisance to allow him to move forward with the nuisance abatement process.

Trustee Luebbers moved and Trustee Davis seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES.

Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Resolution 2011-193

Trustee Luebbers introduced and moved the adoption of a resolution providing for the removal of a junk motor vehicle at 4339 Champdale Lane and dispensing with the second reading. Trustee Davis seconded.

Mr. Roach reported that after receiving the complaint, they issued an informal order of which had no compliance and the inspection today confirmed that the violation persists. He asked the Board to declare the property a nuisance to allow him to move forward with the nuisance abatement procedures

Mr. Roach explained that a motor vehicle meets the definition of a junk motor vehicle if it is three years old, inoperable with extensive damage. He stated that inspections were conducted on a complaint driven basis.

Trustee Luebbers moved and Trustee Davis seconded to dispense with the second reading. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES.

Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES during roll call to adopt the resolution. Resolution adopted.

Citizen comments:

- Rose Stertz thanked the voters and committee members for a successful campaign and Trustee Duebber for his guidance and counsel. She wished Mrs. Klug and Delhi Township the best.
- Trustee Duebber commended Mrs. Stertz and Mrs. Klug and their campaign teams for conducting themselves in a very positive manner. He commented that it was unfortunate to see the negative campaign activity which took place by an outside party with their own agenda.
- Janet Rosenthal complimented the committee members involved in Mrs. Sieve and Mrs. Klug's campaigns and thanked the candidates for their hard work and effort.
- Trustee Duebber congratulated Mrs. Klug on winning the seat of trustee. He pledged to do whatever he could to make the transition smooth and orderly.
- Steve Schott, president of the Delhi Business Association, reported on the following business:
 - The Christmas Parade is scheduled on Saturday, December 3rd starting promptly at 9:30 a.m. Over 70 organizations are currently registered. Volunteers are needed. Contact Russ Brown, parade chairman, at 451-5957 to register or to volunteer.
 - Trustee Duebber has been asked to serve as the Grand Marshal of the parade in honor of his community service over the years.
 - In the case of inclement weather the day of the parade, call 395-DELHI to determine if the parade will go on as scheduled.
 - Steve Schott has accepted the position of president for a second term and is looking forward to working with the Township on a number of activities and events.

- The Association is currently accepting nominations for the Delhi Business of the Year Award. This award recognizes a business owner for his or her professional, civic and charitable accomplishments and contributions to the community. If you would like to nominate a business owner for his or her exceptional accomplishments, please call Steve Schott at 922-4888.

Announcement of Community Events:

- Delhi Civic Association will conduct a food, clothing, books and toy drive on Sunday, November 27 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Delhi Park Lodge.
- Kids, Cops and Firefighters shopping event is scheduled on Saturday, December 10th.
- Delhi Business Association's Christmas Parade is scheduled on Saturday, December 3rd starting promptly at 9:30 a.m. The parade will start on Delhi Pike at the intersection of Delhi and Greenwell and will end between Mt. Alverno and Anderson Ferry.

Retire To Executive Session:

Motion 2011-146

Trustee Luebbers moved and Trustee Davis seconded to retire to executive session to investigate charges or complaints against public employees and a public official. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES. Motion carried.

Return to Public Meeting:

Motion 2011-147

Trustee Luebbers moved and Trustee Davis seconded to conclude Executive Session and return to the public meeting. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES. Motion carried.

Adjourn meeting:

There being no further business to come before the Board on motion of Luebbers seconded by Trustee Davis the meeting was adjourned. Trustees Duebber, Davis and Luebbers voted YES. Motion carried.

_____, Fiscal Officer

Approved: _____, President

_____, Vice President

_____, Trustee

I hereby certify that the amounts needed to meet the above obligations have been lawfully appropriated and are in the treasury or the process of collection free from any and all obligations.

Cheryl A. Sieve, Fiscal Officer