

**JULY 21, 2009
REGULAR MEETING**

The Poland Township Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on July 21, 2009 at the Poland Township Government Center located at 3339 Dobbins Road, Poland, Ohio.

Chairman DiVito called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. Mike Heher led those present in the pledge of allegiance. Administrator Scharville called the Roll, present were Chairman DiVito, Vice-Chairman Lidle, and Trustee Naples.

ADMINISTRATION

DiVito moved to approve the minutes dated June 9, 2009, seconded by Lidle. Voting yes – DiVito, Lidle, Naples...motion carried.

DiVito moved to authorize payment for all outstanding bills for Poland Township, seconded by Lidle. Voting yes – DiVito, Lidle, Naples...motion carried.

Administrator Scharville introduced **Resolution #09-18 – NUISANCE NOTICE** for the presence of overgrown vegetation, garbage, refuse, personal property, junk motor vehicle(s) and other debris on the following property located in Poland Township:

4083 Arrel Rd.	Parcel #35-066-0-008.00-0
1702 Bedford Rd.	Parcel #41-106-0-012.00-0
6150 6156 Clingan Rd.	Parcel #35-008-0-159.00-0
6510 Diana Dr.	Parcel #35-007-T-026.00-0
8019 Eastbrooke Tl.	Parcel #35-053-0-151.00-0
2161 Knollwood	Parcel #39-002-0-138.25-0
7426 Yo-Pitts Rd.	Parcel #35-052-0-008.00-0

DiVito moved to adopt **Resolution #09-18 (resolution on file)**. Lidle seconded the Resolution and the Roll was called. Upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows: DiVito, yea; Lidle, yea; Naples, yea.

Administrator Scharville introduced and read **Resolution #09-19:**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Poland Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, that the Trustees approve to create fund number 2904-519 to credit revenues (\$11,500.00) from grant obtained through the Recycling Division of Mahoning County for the construction of a concrete pad at the Poland Township Recycling Center.

DiVito moved to adopt **Resolution #09-19 (resolution on file)**. Lidle seconded the Resolution and the Roll was called. Upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows: DiVito, yea; Lidle, yea; Naples, yea.

Administrator Scharville informed the Board that he and Fiscal Officer Granitto met with the representatives from Careworks Consultants, Inc. for the purpose of reducing the cost of Worker's Compensation due to increase by 15%. Fiscal Officer Granitto explained that 2009 is the last year for our current program to reduce Worker's Compensation costs, and asked the Board to approve entering into a contract with Careworks Consultants at a cost of \$1,080.00. Administrator Scharville explained that this contract represented a potential savings of approximately \$10,000.00. Lidle moved to approve the contract with Careworks Consultants, Inc. as Poland Township's Worker's Compensation consultants for an annual fee of \$1,080.00, seconded by DiVito. Voting yes – Lidle, DiVito, Naples...motion carried.

Administer Scharville explained that based on Trustee Lidle and Trustee Naples discussion with the Western Reserve Joint Fire District, the Board has been asked to allow the maintenance, clean up and expansion of the parking lot at 7617 Youngstown-Pittsburgh Road (vacant lot next to the existing Fire Department). DiVito so moved, seconded by Lidle. Voting yes – DiVito, Lidle, Naples...motion carried.

Fiscal Officer Granitto gave the Financial Report for June 2009:

Revenue	-	\$201,059.42
Expenditures	-	\$182,713.60

PARK COMMITTEE

Mike Heher, Poland Township Park Advisory Committee Chairman, provided the following report:

- 1300 feet of fence has been installed through a grant from the Recycling Team.
- Trees have been cleared for a large pavilion and building, and the footers have been poured for these facilities.
- Mulch has been placed on all the trails on the south side of Cowden Road.
- Walking paths have been installed from the parking lot to the soccer fields.
- Another bid will be received shortly for putting up the Kids Town playground.

RECYCLING DEPARTMENT

John Costarell reported that all is going well. Administrator Scharville stated that the concrete pad is ready and the fence will be in place shortly at the Poland Township Recycling Center.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

Zoning Inspector, Robert Monus, gave the Monthly Zoning Report for June 2009 (report on file).

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Road Forman, Steve Cramer, gave the Monthly Report for the Road Department for June 2009 (report on file).

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Goodin gave the Monthly Stats for June 2009 for the Poland Township Police Department (report on file).

Administrator Scharville introduced Mark Burns, President of Independent Energy Consultants. Mr. Burns gave a presentation and overview of the government aggregation program, and outlined the savings on natural gas and electric service programs for Poland Township. Mr. Burns also explained that the gas and electric programs are two separate initiatives, and participation in these programs is voluntary. Following Mr. Burns presentation, Lidle moved to enter into an agreement between Poland Township and Independent Energy Consultants to be Poland Township's broker with respect to this matter, seconded by DiVito. Voting yes – Lidle, DiVito, Naples...motion carried.

Chairman DiVito opened the meeting to the public at 5:42 p.m.

Diane Matuz, 7649 N. Lima Rd., discussed the water and flooding problems on N. Lima Rd. and other areas in Poland Township. Ms. Matuz is currently spearheading the public efforts to resolve these water and flooding problems, and reported on a meeting she organized with township residents and the Poland Township Trustees, Mahoning County Commissioners, the county engineer's and sanitary engineer's office on July 20, 2009. Ms. Matuz proposed a water utility fee in order to create a fund to correct the water problems.

Jenny Armeni, 6534 Rose Lynn Place, and John Graff, 6517 Rose Lynn Place, discussed flooding and water problems on Rose Lynn Place. Administrator Scharville explained that the Township is not permitted on private property per the Ohio Revised Code, and further stated that the Mahoning County Engineer's office has addressed these problems with the developer.

Don Gavolas, 2339 Edgewater Dr., spoke on behalf of Bethel Friends Church on Spitler Road, and discussed the flooding problems in the basement of the church.

Ron Piersanti, 7380 Cobblers Run, discussed the Canterbury Creek water problems.

Richard DeGenova, 8127 Cliffview Drive, discussed the ongoing water and flooding problems. Administrator Scharville stated that the Township is seeking funding through a grant to alleviate the problems in this area.

Duke Dipietro, 233 Evergreen, discussed water problems.

Gary Smercansky, 7356 Elmland Dr., discussed water problems and asked all residents to stay involved with the problems.

Bill Johnson, President of the Canterbury Creek Home Owners Association, 3755 Hunters Hill, thanked the Board for the engineering reports and recommendations regarding the flooding issues in Canterbury Creek, and asked for the Board's continued support in seeking a resolution to the flooding problems.

Rocco Guzzi, 7415 Cobblers Run, and Vito Machi, 7634 Cobblers Run, discussed flooding and water problems in the Canterbury Creek development and also expressed safety concerns regarding this issue.

Richard Wroblewski, 7376 Elmland, discussed flooding and sanitary sewer problems in this area.

Having heard the above statements and concerns regarding water problems and flooding, the Board explained that the residents could not expect public funds to improve private property, since it is in violation of the Ohio Revised Code. The Board has talked to the Mahoning County Engineers Office and state legislators, and is continuing to seek grants to alleviate the flooding problems in certain areas. The Board also directed the residents to report and address water and flooding problems to the Mahoning County Engineers office.

There being no further business, DiVito moved to adjourn at 6:53 p.m., seconded by Lidle. Voting yes – DiVito, Lidle, Naples...motion carried.

Attest:

Annette DiVito, Chairman

Robert Lidle, Jr., Vice-Chairman

Mark Naples, Trustee

Joseph J. Granitto, Fiscal Officer