

**OCTOBER 13, 2009
REGULAR MEETING**

The Poland Township Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on October 13, 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. Fiscal Officer Granitto 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 September 8, 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 Marc Burns, President of Independent Energy Consultants. Mr. Burns briefly spoke about the opt-out natural gas aggregation program and the opt-out electric aggregation program on the November 3, 2009 ballot. Mr. Burns then proceeded to explain the tentative agreement with First Energy Solutions as our supplier, contingent upon the voters' approval of the ballot initiative. If passed, the offer would provide guaranteed savings of at least 6% for residential customers and 3% for commercial customers for the next nine years. The offer also provides a one-time civic donation to Poland Township's general fund in the amount of \$128,600.00—to be received in 2009, contingent upon voter approval.

Mr. Burns asked the Board to approve the agreement with First Energy Solutions and further asked for the Board's assistance in getting the word out on the program to Poland Residents prior to the November 3, 2009 general election.

DiVito moved to approve a Master Service Agreement to provide electrical services through an aggregate group between Poland Township and First Energy Solutions, seconded by Lidle. Voting yes – DiVito and Lidle, Naples abstained...motion carried.

Mary Patrony from the Green Team announced the details of a Community Competition for a curbside recycling contest to take place November 15, 2009 thru February 15, 2010. The purpose of the contest is to get the curbside rates doubled for recycling. The Green Team is seeking the support of Poland Township for this contest—prizes to be awarded to the winning community based on per capita recycling rates: First Prize - \$1,000.00; Second Prize - \$700.00; Third Prize - \$300.00. Ms. Patrony asked the Board for a motion to approve Poland Township's support in promoting the Green Team's Curbside Contest. DiVito so moved, seconded by Lidle. Voting yes – DiVito, Lidle, Naples...motion carried.

DiVito moved to establish Halloween hours for Poland Township on Saturday, October 31, 2009 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., seconded by Lidle. Voting yes – DiVito, Lidle, Naples...motion carried.

Fiscal Officer Granitto gave the Financial Report for September 2009:

Revenue	-	\$ 25,162.52
Expenditures	-	\$289,738.51

Administrator Scharville announced the details of the groundbreaking ceremony for the Recycling Center on Moore Road. Green Star Recycling Company in conjunction with Republic Services and the Mahoning County Green Team will hold a groundbreaking ceremony on Monday, October 26, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. The public is invited. The Poland Township Trustees have been asked to participate in the ceremony. State and County officials will also be in attendance.

Lidle moved to allow Toys for Tots to have a drop-off site at the Poland Township Government Center for Christmas 2009, seconded by DiVito. Voting yes – Lidle, DiVito, Naples...motion carried.

Gary Diorio, representative for MS Consultants, updated the Board on the status of the following grants:

On behalf of Poland Township, MS Consultants submitted a grant to the Ohio Public Works Commission for the Camella/Cliffview Storm Water Project.

Mr. Diorio reported that he was approached by Mayor Sicafuse regarding the status of the Safe Pathway to Schools Project. Mr. Diorio stated that the original plan submitted for the grant was incomplete. MS Consultants will submit a new plan for the construction of the Route 170 sidewalk project by February 2010. This plan would be 100% funded by the grant.

Mr. Diorio also stated that MS Consultants in conjunction with the Trustees is in the process of looking into grant funding for storm water management in Poland Township.

PARK COMMITTEE

In the absence of Mike Heher, Administrator Scharville updated the Board as follows:

- ESSROC has completed the expansion of the parking lot.
- The Soccer Association has completed the building and pavilion.
- The mulch around the playground will be completed in a timely fashion.
- The Township Pavilion is in the planning stages.
- The signboard has been completed and will be installed by the Road Department.
- Four recycling containers were purchased with a grant from the Green Team.
- Benches will be installed along the trails.

RECYCLING DEPARTMENT

John Costarell stated that the Recycling Department has moved into the new location.

Administrator Scharville informed the Trustees of the problems involved with the new bin slated for leaves, twigs and brush only that are now also being used for trash. The Trustees will look into this matter.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

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

ROAD DEPARTMENT

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

Lidle moved to approve the purchase of 100 tons of slag for the 2009/2010 winter season from SRI at a cost of \$10.00 per ton delivered for a total cost not to exceed \$1,000.00, seconded by DiVito. Voting yes – Lidle, DiVito, Naples...motion carried.

Lidle moved to approve the purchase of four Goodyear tires for the Ford F-450 truck from Bob Sumerel in the amount not to exceed \$1,120.73, seconded by DiVito. Voting yes – Lidle, DiVito, Naples...motion carried.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

DiVito moved to approve the purchase of a 2010 Crown Victoria Police Cruiser through State Wide in the amount not to exceed \$21,000.00, seconded by Lidle. Voting yes – DiVito, Lidle, Naples...motion carried.

Chairman DiVito opened the meeting to the public at 6:03 p.m.

Al Sculli, 5027 Miller Road, Lowellville, Ohio, had a question regarding the price of the tires for the Ford F-450 truck—clarification of the price was provided by Road Foreman, Steve Cramer.

Mr. Sculli also discussed the new Green Star Recycling Company, and received clarification from the Board regarding the nature of its business, location and entrance off of State Road 224.

Ron Piersante, 7380 Cobblers Run, discussed the time frame for Storm Water Management Cost Studies. Mr. Piersante also asked Township Attorney, David Shepard, for an update on the feasibility of Poland Township forming a water district. Attorney Shepard stated that he is in the process of contacting the attorney in Columbus regarding this matter.

There being no further business, DiVito moved to adjourn at 6:08 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

