

Granville Township
Minutes of Regular Meeting February 8, 2012

Present: Trustees Paul Jenks, Bill Mason and Dan VanNess, Fiscal Officer Norman Kennedy and Jerry Miller, Recording Secretary.

Department Heads: Travis Binckley and Jeff Hussey

Guests: Brian Miller, Granville Sentinel
Vince Ghiloni, 3232 Canyon Rd.
Dan Coffman, Candidate for LC Commissioner
Betsey Hampton, Park Trails
Doug Wagner, Open Space Committee
Bill Wernet, Open Space Committee

Trustee Mason called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Correspondence:

F.O. Kennedy reported several legal notices were published in the Granville Sentinel since the last meeting. They included notice of the completion of the Townships unaudited 2011 Financial Statements and availability thereof, notice of special meeting held on February 4 to review 2012 Township Budget and special meetings on January 17 and January 26 with respect to the Township's Open Space program.

An ODOT notice regarding mileage certification was received from the Licking County Engineer. It indicates Granville Township is responsible for 37.12 miles of township roadway. On a motion by Trustee Jenks and a second by Trustee VanNess by a unanimous affirmative vote the 2011 annual road mileage certificate for 37.12 miles was accepted and F.O. Kennedy will file this certificate with the County Engineer.

F.O. Kennedy report he received a legal notice from Time Warner Cable indicating in accordance with Federal Regulations local government units had no control in establishing customer cable rates.

Elected Officials Reports:

Trustee Jenks reported on a proposed ethane pipeline that will run through a portion of Granville Township. The ATEX Express (Appalachia to Texas) project is being constructed by Enterprise Products Partners, L.P. Trustee Jenks reported a meeting was held last week which included representatives from Enterprise, Granville Township, the Village and Licking County Planning Commission. An additional public meeting was held last night at the Licking County Administrative Building for public comment. Trustee Jenks and Fire Chief Hussey attended this meeting to express their concern about the proposed pipeline going through residential areas of the Township. Chief Hussey said the risk could be significant. The pipeline pressure will be at 1400 psi with 10 miles between shutoff connections. The pipe will be buried 3-5 feet underground. Trustee Jenks said this could have some serious economic development impact, because

the proposed land may become undevelopable. He stated the Enterprise people are being very pushy. They plan to start construction in April 2013 and be completed 9 months later. The total pipeline length is 1200 miles running from Washington Co. Pennsylvania to Cape Girardeau MO. The easement they hope to obtain would be 50 feet in width. County Commissioner Tim Bubb is having Planning Commission Director Jerry Newton work on a proposal to move the pipeline to a less densely populated area of the County where another gas line already exists. Trustee Jenks provided a map showing the location of the proposed pipeline. Trustee Jenks agreed to provide F.O. Kennedy with information about the ATEX project, to be placed on the townships website.

At the January 11, 2012 organizational meeting the discussion about committee assignments did not result in all positions being filled for the year. For this reason the entire chart of Trustee areas of responsibility and appointments was presented again by the Fiscal Officer. After a period of discussion on a motion by Trustee Mason and a second by Trustee Jenks, by a unanimous affirmative vote the following areas of responsibility for 2012 were adopted as revised:

Trustee Areas of Responsibility/Board Positions	Trustee Coordinator
Cemetery	Trust Jenks
Community Joint Committee (Twp, Vill, SD, Denison, Cham. of Comm. & GRD)	Trustee Mason
Comprehensive Plan Review Committee	Trustee Jenks & Trustee VanNess
County Health Advisory Council	Trustee Jenks
Economic development	Trustee Jenks
Fire Department	Trustee Mason
Granville Foundation	Trustee VanNess
Granville Recreation District	Trustee Jenks
Land Mgt Committee	Trustee VanNess
Parks	Trustee Jenks
Prop Acquisition/Open Space Committee	All three Trustees
Roads	Trustee Jenks
School district relations	Trustee VanNess
Township Records Commission	Trustee Mason & Fiscal Officer
Union Cemetery Board	Trustee Jenks
Zoning	Trustee VanNess
Ex-Officio Trustee Appointments	
Newark Granville Community Authority	Trustee VanNess
Appointments / Term Expiration Date	Appointee
Board of Zoning Appeals/various terms*	Chair, James Larimer**
Bryn Du Mansion Governance Co/3 year terms April 30, 2015***	Laurence Bicking and Candi Moore

Granville Recreation District Board/3 year term ending February 28, 2014	Justin Lodge
Granville Schools Charitable Foundation//3 year term ending December 31, 2013	Leonard Hubert
Land Management Committee/various terms*	Judy Preston, Chair**
Open Space Committee/ various terms*	Doug Wagner, Chair**
Tax Incentive Review Council/2 yr terms, ending 12/31/13	L. Hubert & A. Hughes
Volunteer Dependency Bd/ Annual, Dec 31	Janet Curtis/Gary Hamilton
Zoning Commission/various terms*	Chip Blanchard**

*See 12/28/11 minutes for full list of appointees and term expiration dates.

** Current Chair of committee elected by committee members

***[Postscript to 2/8 minutes – these two appointments were finalized at 2/22/12 Meeting, but are listed here to complete the appointment chart]

Public Comment:

Dan Coffman, candidate for Licking County Commission was present to talk about his candidacy for office and his thoughts about how the existing form of County government could be changed.

Roads Department:

Trustee Jenks reported he received a request to place “Duck Crossing” sign sat the Welsh Hills Inn on Cambria Mill Rd as there has been an issue with ducks being hit on the road. Trustee VanNess was concerned the Trustees would be setting a precedent by installing such signs and thought if they were installed the cost should be borne by the individual requesting the signage. After further discussion, on a motion by Trustee Jenks and a second by Trustee Mason, with Trustees Jenks – yes, Trustee Mason – yes, and VanNess - No, the installation of “Duck Crossing” signs along Cambria Mill was approved.

Superintendent Binckley reported the new 2013 Terrastar SFA 4x2 dump truck from Lucas Truck being shipped to Ace Truck Equipment for installation of the dump body and controls. The completed truck should be delivered in about 30 days.

Superintendent Binckley reported the annual brine report has been completed and will be filed with ODNR. He also reported he is working with Trustee VanNess and Dan Blatter on the Township’s annual MS4 report which is due March 1st.

Superintendent Binckley reported he has been working the Township’s proposed 2012 road paving plan. This involves comparing the Township’s ten year paving plan to actual condition of the roads to determine if any modification is necessary. He hopes to have his proposal ready for the next meeting which will be based upon the work needed, the anticipated cost of asphalt, and the money available in the Road District’s five year financial plan. If the Trustees approve the plan, bids may be requested for March with

work to be done in June after the school year ends. Trustee Jenks indicated the plan could include a proposal to chip and seal Beechwood and Thornwood due to the steepness of the road grades. Trustee VanNess noted chip and seal provides better traction, as well as more road noise which is good in a high pedestrian areas. The County Engineer has been looking into expanding chip and seal for County Roads as a cost savings method and indicated to Superintendent Binckley the process is better than in prior years.

Superintendent Binckley reported on the question of what is to be done with the eastern end of Miller Avenue which is still under review. The matter was referred to the County Prosecutor's Office for an opinion. It is still a public road and Township Trustees cannot seek to make it private unless it is abandoned which would split the dedicated road width among the contiguous property owners. There is concern the road should not be moved into a non-maintained status. Trustee Jenks and Superintendent Binckley plan to have further discussions with the new property owner on Miller.

Superintendent Binckley met with Terry Miller and Brian Newkirk from Madison, Collins and Stephens (MCS) Insurance Agency which provides all property casualty and liability coverage for the Township, other than the Fire Department. They reviewed the Township's equipment inventory and made adjustments where needed. They plan to do this about every six months. Brian Newkirk will be handling the account for MCS going forward.

Superintendent Binckely reported the availability for the Townships farm land at the corner of SR 37 and James Road has been advertised for bid in the Sentinel. Bids are to be opened at a future Township meeting.

Trustee Jenks received a complaint about litter along James Road between its intersection with Old James Road and Canyon Roads. This section of roadway is located in Granville and Union Township. Trustee Jenks communicated with the caller that litter issues were the responsibility of the Licking County Recycling and Litter Prevention Department. In the interim, Jenks requested the Granville road crew pick up the trash located on the Granville Township side and he notified Union Township of the concern.

Superintendent Binckley reported Columbia Gas of Ohio expressed concern about the new \$500 refundable fee associated with them obtaining a right-of-way permit. Columbia is concerned there would be a considerable amount of overhead and paperwork associated with issuing checks each time the company sought to do work in the Township's road right-of-way. Trustee Jenks said this was an unintentional consequence of the Trustee's action to try and maintain the right-of-way. As Columbia Gas does lots of work within the Township and will continue this type of work in the future, the Trustees felt they could waive the refundable fee, as they believe Columbia is a responsible party who will continue to work with the Township. Columbia sent in a letter requesting the waiver of the \$500 fee for permits they request to do in the right-of-way. After a short period of further discussion, on a motion by Trustee Jenks and a

second by Trustee VanNess by a unanimous affirmative vote, Columbia Gas of Ohio will not be required to submit a \$500 deposit with its permit applications. Waivers for other public utility companies will be on a case by case basis, as requested.

Cemetery:

Superintendent Binckley reported since the last meeting there were 2 funerals, 4 graves sold and 1 deed transfer prepared.

Superintendent Binckley presented an analysis he had prepared with respect to various cemetery fees and plot costs throughout Licking County. After a short period of discussion, on a motion by Trustee Jenks and a second by Trustee Mason, by a unanimous affirmative vote it was agreed to adopt the following revisions to the Granville Township cemetery fees for services in 2012:

O/C fees – full burial, on a weekday \$650.00
O/C fees – full burial, on a weekend 850.00
O/C fees – cremations, on a weekday 375.00
O/C fees – cremations, on a weekend 550.00

Superintendent Binckley said he has been in contact with the Madison Township superintendent with respect to possibly having them chip and seal the Maple Grove Cemetery roadways this summer. The superintendent indicated a willingness to work with Granville Township, but indicated he must coordinate such a project with his Trustees. Binckley plans to follow up on this matter.

F.O. Kennedy reported he received notice of an extension of unemployment benefits for a former seasonal employee in the Cemetery who will receive another \$3,000+ in unemployment to be paid for by the Township. The total benefits charged to the Township will eventually exceed the amount paid to this individual during his seasonal employment which the employee knew was going to be for a fixed period of time when he accepted the job. There was discussion as to how these instances of unemployment compensation payments easily become out of control.

Fire Department:

Chief Hussey reported Captain Thompson will be Acting Fire Chief during Hussey's absence for the next two weeks. During his vacation he will be visiting the Finley manufacturing plant in Florida to participate in a pre-build conference with Finley representatives.

Chief Hussey asked the Trustees to accept the resignations of Jordan Linkowski, Kasi Eastep and Chris Baldwin who have time commitment conflicts and are unable to satisfactorily participate in Fire Department activities. On a motion by Trustee Jenks and a second by Trustee VanNess, by a unanimous affirmative vote, the resignations were accepted.

Chief Hussey reported he wished to have a number of old radios declared obsolete and advertise them on Gov.Deals. On a motion by Trustee Jenks and a second by Trustee

Mason by a unanimous affirmative vote the obsolete radios were classified as surplus and will be listed on GovDeals.com for sale.

Chief Hussey reported he is working with Superintendent Binckley to make sure the Road District is properly licensed with the FCC and that its radio equipment will be compliant with the upcoming narrow banding requirement. F.O. Kennedy noted Binckley had included \$10,000 in his 2012 capital equipment budget for the purchase of new radios to meet the narrow banding conversion. Trustee VanNess asked if employee cell phones could be used instead of purchasing new radios. Superintendent Brinkley indicated there are multiple areas within the Township where cell phone reception was poor, plus it is a safety issue for the drivers, especially in the winter months if they would were to talk on a cell phone when operating a snowplow.

Chief Hussey asked the Trustees to consider setting a Public Hearing at the beginning of the first Trustee meeting in March with respect to the Fire Department beginning to bill for EMS runs. The Trustees agreed they would like to obtain public input before deciding to implement insurance billing for EMS runs and asked F.O. Kennedy to place a notice in the local papers for a public hearing starting at 7:00 pm on 3/14/2012.

Zoning/Land Issues/Open Space

Trustee VanNess reported Township Zoning Commission Chair Chip Blanchard has been talking with the Planning Commission and the Prosecutors Office. He is waiting to hear back from Chip as to when their next meeting is to tackle the loophole issue of one dwelling per five acres.

Vince Ghiloni expressed his opposition to the Green Space Levy saying it is no longer needed. 10-15 years ago he said it was needed to protect Township borders, but he feels that has been accomplished. Mr. Ghiloni said he was a local developer and made note of a property he had studied and had determined there was no way to make money developing this property. Less than a year later the Township spent Green Space money to protect the property. He thought tax money should not have been spent for this property. Mr. Ghiloni said he would support keeping some money to protect Township borders.

Comprehensive Plan:

Trustee Jenks reported he attended a Comprehensive Planning meeting at which time nine "final" changes to the Plan were raised and are to be incorporated therein. In accordance with the procedures required to adopt a Comprehensive Plan the next step is for the Committee to submit the Plan to Village and Township officials for the respective entities to schedule public hearings to obtain input. On a motion by Trustee Jenks and a second by Trustee Mason, by a unanimous affirmative vote, F.O. Kennedy was given authority to advertise a public hearing in conjunction with a regular Trustee meeting, upon receipt of the Plan.

Old Business:

Rotary Bridge Project:

Trustee Jenks reported the project is still on hold, but a meeting has been scheduled for March 14 with project engineers from Korda, to determine alternative solutions to the erosion issue.

Trustee Jenks reported Lesa Miller with the Granville Recreation District had been contacted about removing an old bench at Spring Valley Park. She wanted to know who should make the decision. After a brief discussion, it was decided to refer the caller to Judy Preston of the Land Management Committee.

An issue with the Row property has developed whereby Mr. Row recently signed a document giving permission for a pipeline to cross his property. The Trustees believe Mr. Row did not have legal authority to do this based upon the conservation easement he granted to the Township under the Open Space Program. The pipeline company should have checked for deed restrictions. The Trustees wished to memorialize this issue with a legal opinion. Judy Preston on the Land Management Committee requested a copy of the letter to keep on file. Trustee VanNess commented that oil and gas can work with the Farm Ranch Protection Program (FRPP). On a motion by Trustee Jenks and a second by Trustee Mason by a unanimous affirmative vote the Trustees agreed to engage Bob Erhard to prepare and send a letter to the Row's and Flint Ridge Energy explaining the Township's rights with respect to a pipeline easement on the property.

Financial Matters

F.O. Kennedy reported filing the Township's 2012 permanent appropriations with the County Auditor following the financial planning meeting held on February 4, 2012.

F.O. Kennedy presented the January 31, 2012 bank reconciliation for the Trustees' review and approval.

On a motion by Trustee VanNess and a second by Trustee Jenks by a unanimous affirmative vote the following appropriation transfers were approved:

From 1000-110-211-0000	General Fund – OPERS	210.00
To 1000-110-319-0008	General Fund – HRA/FSA admin	210.00
From 2195-760-710-0000	Open Space – Land Acquisition	7,000.00
To 2195-110-430-0001	Open Space – signage	7,000.00
From 2195-760-710-0000	Open Space – Land Acquisition	1,000.00
To 2195-110-599-0007	Open Space – Real Estate Taxes	1,000.00

On a motion by Trustee VanNess and a second by Trustee Jenks, by a unanimous affirmative vote the following warrants, withholding vouchers, debit memos, EFT's and if applicable, then and now purchase order certificates were approved for payment and processing:

WV65	IRS	4801.61	WV66	OPERS	2109.01
WV67	OP&F	7928.68	n/a		.00
E4587	Bain	342.62	E4588	Barnhill	211.89

E4589	Binckley	2103.62	E4590	Borden	878.69
E4591	Bowman	1963.04	E4592	Bryan	1415.91
E4593	Butt	749.99	E4594	Clemens	1232.87
E4595	Connor	213.98	E4596	Coyle	314.74
E4597	Curtis	1698.68	E4598	DuBeck	227.19
E4599	Duncan	205.80	E4600	Essick	847.81
E4601	Gottfried	210.36	E4602	Hall	1460.54
E4603	Harrison	255.09	E4604	Henry	636.31
E4605	Hill	1594.86	E4606	Huhn	1217.55
E4607	Hussey	2506.72	E4628	Jenks	1076.55
E4608	Void	.00	n/a		.00
E4609	Jones, A.	477.40	E4610	Jones, B.	495.67
E4611	Kennedy	13.72	E4612	Kindell	250.23
E4613	Leckrone	262.56	E4614	Lynn	419.30
E4615	Mason	941.17	E4616	May	667.26
E4617	Meisenhelder	582.96	E4618	Miller	64.85
E4619	Monroe	1546.55	n/a		.00
E4620	Poe	143.15	E4621	Reece	1402.61
E4622	Riley	145.40	E4623	Saunders	687.11
E4624	Smith	261.89	E4625	Thompson	1752.58
E4626	VanNess	1158.77	E4627	Watling	284.79
8406	VOID	.00	8407	Deferred Comp	1705.00
8408	Knox Cty OCS	1088.91	8409	Knox Cty OCS	96.30
8410	Granville IT	1002.02	WV68	IRS	8232.98
WV69	OH Tax	2516.59	WV70	School Tax	228.64
DM9-12	MMO	7686.44	8411	AFLAC	723.96
8412	FSA	1153.78	8413	Medical Benefits Mutual	210.00
8414	Sprint	176.26	8415	Wichert	100.00
8416	VOID	.00	8417	Abe's Automotive	206.50
8418	Dish Network	97.98	8419	OH Health	324.00
8420	Muskingum Tractor	404.07	8421	Erie Insurance	5490.00
8422	Ace Truck	385.35	8423	Cargill	4267.96
8424	Lake's End	169.95	8425	Treasurer, State of OH	15.00
8426	Bound Tree	1475.43	8427	Treasurer, State of OH	150.00
8428	MT Business Tech	61.30	8429	OH Health	127.50
8430	Steve Mercer	160.00	8431	Ohio Fire	1600.00
8432	Ohio Public Entity Cons	352.00	8433	Deferred Comp	1705.00
8434	Knox Co OCS	1088.91	8435	Knox Co OCS	96.30
E4629	Bain	270.03	E4630	Barnhill	211.89
E4631	Binckley	1490.16	E4632	Borden	354.43
E4633	Bowman	1544.08	E4634	Bryan	1260.25
E4635	Butt	749.98	E4636	Clemens	1208.69
E4637	Connor	142.83	E4638	Curtis	1590.20
E4639	DuBeck	447.33	E4640	Duncan	545.68
E4641	Essick	30.30	E4642	Gottfried	429.20
E4643	Hall	1351.09	E4644	Harrison	255.09
E4645	Henry	636.31	E4646	Hill	1292.27
E4647	Huhn	1165.77	E4648	Hussey	2506.72
E4649	Jones, A	408.69	E4650	Jones, B	505.19
E4651	Kindell	250.23	E4652	Leckrone	155.49
E4653	Lynn	370.65	E4654	May	636.01
E4655	Meisenhelder	582.96	E4656	Monroe	1241.78
E4657	Poe	143.15	E4658	Reece	1211.26
E4659	Riley	145.40	E4660	Saunders	235.60
E4661	Thompson	1385.99	E4662	Watling	284.79
8436	Blackboard Connect Inc	3971.75	8437	Abe's Automotive	1070.69
8438	Ace Truck Equipment	131.00	8439	United Aggregates	309.03
8440	Wichert Insurance	7356.00	8441	Boundtree Medical	1778.68
8442	Fire House	215.00	8443	Verizon Wireless	86.12

8444	Village of Granville	14.91	8445	Raccoon Valley Cons Club Inc	16800.00
8446	Joseph White	21450.00	DM11	Granville Township	1207.53
DM12	Windstream	348.77	DM13	American Electric Power	802.83
DM14	Village of Granville	90.30	DM15	Granville Township	1225.50
WV71	PNB – IRS	4974.14	WV72	PNB – OPERS	17098.68
8447	Elan Financial	1936.21	8448	MT Business Tech	34.90
8449	Licking Cty Treasurer	22532.12	8450	Certified Oil Company	4030.56
8451	Wince Welding	44.90	8452	KPS/NAPA	615.01
8453	Super Duty Truck	2.46	8454	Granville Lumber	261.72
8455	Cargill Inc	12799.03	8456	Granville Milling	25.00
8457	Ross' Granville Mkt	87.19	8458	Cintas Corporation	389.76
8459	Bound Tree Medical	207.94	8460	Licking Memorial Hospital	20.82
8461	VOID	.00	8462	CVS Pharmacy	12.58
8463	Motorola	218.40			

I hereby certify the funds were on hand or in process of collection and properly appropriated for payment of the aforementioned warrants.

Norman S. Kennedy, Fiscal Officer

The \$1,290 annual membership renewal for the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) was discussed by the Trustees. Trustee VanNess noted the funding issues with the Township's general fund and felt the benefits were not worth the price. During the previous meeting Trustee Mason had offered to invite Bill Habig to a Trustee meeting to provide information which was not supported by the other Trustees. On a motion by Trustee VanNess and a second by Trustee Jenks, by a unanimous affirmative vote it was decided, due to the Township's general fund outlook, to not renew membership in MORPC for 2012.

On a motion by Trustee VanNess and a second by Trustee Mason, with Mason yes, Jenks yes and VanNess yes, the meeting was moved into executive session under section 121.22(G)(2) to discuss the possible acquisition of property.

Trustee Jenks, excused himself from the last portion of the executive session.

After a period of discussion, on a motion by Trustee Mason and a second by Trustee VanNess, with Mason yes, and VanNess yes, the meeting was returned to regular session.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 PM.