

Granville Township
Minutes of Regular Meeting August 22, 2012

Present: Trustees Bill Mason, Paul Jenks, and Dan VanNess, Fiscal Officer Jerry Miller, and Betsey Hampton, Recording Secretary

Department Heads: Travis Binckley

Guests: Brian Miller, Granville Sentinel
Jerry Newton, Licking County Planning Commission Director

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Mason at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Mason commented the Trustees would revise the order of business to accommodate Jerry Newton, Licking County Planning Commission Director.

On a motion by Trustee Jenks and a second by Trustee VanNess, by a unanimous affirmative vote the minutes of the regular meeting on August 8, 2012, were approved as submitted and revised.

Correspondence:

Fiscal Officer Miller reported he sent the note to the Chamber of Commerce advising the Granville Township Trustee meetings will be held on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month next year. This will be put on the community calendar.

Fiscal Officer Miller reported he received a question from Don Andrews regarding a lease agreement with the Granville Recreation District. Fiscal Officer Miller responded to Mr. Andrews. Fiscal Officer Miller worked with Trustee Jenks.

Fiscal Officer Miller reported he received a notice from Mollie Prasher regarding the deer management program. The bow hunting program is scheduled from September 29, 2012, through February 3, 2013. Fiscal Officer Miller commented his understanding is Ms. Prasher takes care of the deer management program on behalf of the community; including the Township.

Trustee Mason commented Ms. Prasher does a great job with the program.

Trustee VanNess commented the only parcel not included in the deer management program is the old Woods property on River Rd and the farmed property at the Township Complex. All other Township properties are included. The Woods property was not included as it has cattle.

Fiscal Officer Miller reported he received an improvement draft plan from Jeff Walker today. Fiscal Officer Miller indicated Chief Hussey has been working on the improvement plan. Fiscal Officer Miller reported the draft was forwarded to the

Trustees today. The plan has tasks for the Health Department, Red Cross, etc. Trustee Jenks commented the State was approved for federal funds. This will be further discussed in the agenda under storm debris.

Trustee Mason introduced Jerry Newton, Licking County Planning Director. Director Newton was present to speak concerning the Comprehensive Plan. Director Newton met with Trustee VanNess this afternoon concerning the Comprehensive Plan. Trustee Jenks suggested the Township begin its public hearing regarding the comprehensive plan and include Director Newton's comments as part of the public hearing. Trustee Jenks commented he hopes any changes proposed by Director Newton and approved by the Township could be incorporated into the plan and proceed forward. Trustee Jenks commented he would not like to have to begin again with the comprehensive plan.

Trustee Mason declared the Granville Township Public Hearing concerning the Comprehensive Plan open for public comment at 7:05 p.m.

Director Newton commented he works with the villages, cities, and townships in Licking County. The Ohio Revised Statutes states when a township is adopting a comprehensive plan, it must be approved by the county commissioners. Director Newton commented the process for this approval is the plan must go first through the planning commission. The county planning commission will then make its recommendation to the commissioners. This process runs in conjunction with the township's approval process. The Attorney General has approved this process.

Director Newton commented Granville Township has worked with the Village of Granville to develop a joint comprehensive plan. The Licking County Planning Commission was asked to look at the plan in March, but then was requested to hold off as some issues were resolved.

Director Newton reported Trustee VanNess sent a request two weeks ago, reporting the comprehensive plan was back on Granville Township's agenda. He was looking for the comprehensive plan to be processed. Director Newton himself worked through the review of the comprehensive plan.

Director Newton indicated the Township Trustees have a report which Director Newton will present to the County Planning Commission on Monday. The report states with one slight change this is the staff recommendation. The recommendation is based on information Director Newton had when he put the report together at three o'clock today.

Director Newton's recommendation includes there was a lot of time, energy, and effort put into the joint plan, and it should move forward. Director Newton commented there are some items in the document the Township should consider further examining. Whether the Township wants any corrections to the actual document, or a supplement added later to the document, should be reviewed and discussed by the Township.

Director Newton discussed the one item he believes really needs dealt with is the map change. There should be a correction concerning plate 6. There needs to be correction on the natural resources map which identifies a wellhead protection which is not where the Village water supply is located. This has been corrected by the Village. The Village has now shown the proper wellhead protection area.

Trustee Jenks indicated the Village has agreed the map is wrong and given the Township a corrected map. Trustee Jenks questioned whether the corrected map may be inserted and the Township move on, or does the process need to begin again with a copy placed at the library, an advertisement taken out, etc.

Director Newton responded the public hearing is being held now, and information is being gathered. The map change does not dramatically change the comprehensive plan. The map and wellhead are not discussed in the text of the document. The map does have a significant impact, but the impact is taken care of by the correction. Director Newton did not feel the Township needed to back up in the comprehensive plan process. Director Newton commented the Township may move on with approval of the comprehensive plan as amended. Trustee Jenks agreed the proper protocol would be to move on the plan as amended.

Director Newton stated the map change is the most significant item, however there are other areas the Trustees may wish to discuss and pay attention to in the comprehensive plan as there is a larger picture and theory to consider.

Director Newton commented the comprehensive plan may look good on paper, but the plan talks about people's property rights. The Trustees should look at how the plan will affect individuals. Director Newton discussed there is a trade off with what a property owner should be allowed to do versus what is good for the community.

Director Newton commented there are items in the comprehensive plan where the Township should make sure the balance between property owners and the community is being maintained. This is the type of discussion Granville has had for 200 years.

Director Newton mentioned in particular there are two items which he details in his report. The proposed comprehensive plan discusses conservation design. Director Newton commented these are great concepts. The plan details setbacks for structures from roads and pushes them back 400 feet so if someone wants to build on their property they have to build 400 feet back. Director Newton commented this is not a regulation, it is a concept. This concept exists in the comprehensive plan for the Village which was written in 2001 and adopted in 2004. It is also in the 1998 Township plan.

Trustee Jenks indicated the Township will shortly have a resolution to change its zoning to allow only one home per five acres. Trustee Jenks questioned whether the fact the Township is requiring 5 acres per home makes the 400 ft setback onerous to a property owner. Trustee Jenks stated he did not believe the 400 ft setback is onerous when the Township is requiring 5 acres per house. The Township is trying to create estate lots.

Director Newton commented if the lot was one where someone could see straight through the setback would make sense. Director Newton discussed further west in the state where the land is flatter such a setback is easy to understand. Director Newton commented Granville Township however has a lot of topography relief. There may be locations where the structure was back 100 ft and could not be seen. Sometimes it's the location on the lot rather the setback which is important.

Trustee Jenks commented the Township has never been challenged on the setback and it has been there. Trustee VanNess said the reason it has never been challenged is our zoning resolution for Ag and R1 has never been set at 400 feet, so it has never been enforced.

Director Newton commented the setback is a big item and questioned whether this is what the Township really wants in the plan. Director Newton said he is not saying the Township ought to change the setback and perhaps the Township would want to do something to regulations and enforce it or maybe the Township wants to study and look at the implications of the 400 ft setback.

The plan also discusses scenic byways. The scenic byway provision has a premise of it being put together due to an ODOT plan which has not been approved and is not going to be approved. Having the ODOT plan as the premise for that portion of the comprehensive plan is inconsistent. Director Newton referred back to the conservation district portion. The standpoint on zoning is interesting and well-tuned tool the Township has in place. Director Newton questioned whether the general concept has been well debated by the Township Trustees, and he wanted to bring it to the attention of the Trustees.

Director Newton also commented on the portion of the plan discussing "complete street principles". The comprehensive plan calls for the Township to use complete street principles on new and improved street projects. Director Newton commented the Township should determine what it means for the Township roads and if it is an application the Township really wants to have in its plan.

Trustee Jenks questioned what complete streets principles really mean. Director Newton responded the streets in the historic downtown of the Village of Granville follow the complete streets principles. There are clear paths for the cars, clearly marked pedestrian crossing areas, bike path locations, and sidewalks with places for people to sit. Trustee Jenks commented, it doesn't always make sense for a Township, and questioned whether Director Newton would recommend that portion be stricken from the plan.

Director Newton stated there is a group of people in the field who are currently reviewing what a complete streets program should look like for a rural area. The group is looking at where people are walking and making sure the areas they walk are safe. Director Newton indicated there should be wider curbs or berms along the rural roads. Instead of 6 inches to the side of the white line, there should be 4 ft. Director Newton

stated more pedestrian fatalities occur in rural areas than in urban areas. Director Newton noted complete streets principles also include trees.

Trustee Jenks questioned whether if the Township Trustees agreed to change the map, and agree to tone down language or to delete the reference to complete streets if the Township needs toned down language from the planning commission to insert.

Director Newton commented the plate 6 map correction is the one change that has to happen before the Trustees approve the comprehensive plan. Director Newton stated the other items are ones the Township can discuss; the principle is good, how to put it in action in the Township. The Township would have someone work on a supplement to the comprehensive plan. Director Newton stated that would be a way to move forward with a uniform document between the Township and the Village.

Trustee Jenks commented this would give details so the complete streets portion does not become cumbersome for the Township. Director Newton discussed also on the scenic byways portion someone could be tasked to review as there are financial implications for owners should it get the designation where there is an additional step federally before road improvements are made.

Trustee Jenks discussed the Township could pass the comprehensive plan with the caveat that upon complete streets and scenic byways the Township has someone work with the Planning Commission to amend the plan in the future.

Director Newton stated he believed that would be an appropriate action.

Trustee VanNess questioned whether an amendment may be done by just the Township and not the Village. Trustee Jenks discussed there are some areas where the Township and the Village are different. The Village has streetlights, etc. Trustee VanNess commented the complete streets principle is an area where the Township and Village are different.

Trustee Jenks commented the Township has tried to keep the Township comprehensive plan similar to the village as they did not want to be significantly different, but the Township roads are different than the Village streets. The amendment will keep the language the same but the amendment will detail it differently.

Director Newton commented there are some spots where the Township is more similar to the Village. He referred to portions of the Township which he thought were in the Village. Those spots may be able to follow the complete streets principles. An amendment will be able to differentiate the areas and will be able to say this area will have this type and another area will have that type. There may be areas which need a transitional approach.

Trustee Jenks commented this will keep the plans the same but will provide details.

Director Newton suggested the Trustees further examine the portion of the plan dealing with the Cherry Valley Interchange. The plan talks about the existing Cherry Valley Rd being a 4 lane grass median divided road. Director Newton stated the road will be terminated into a cul-de-sac when the new interchange is created. There will be no need to create this nice entrance to the town as it won't be the entrance to the town. Trustee Jenks questioned whether the Township should strike the portion of the plan which talks about the median. Director Newton replied that portion doesn't make sense. Director Newton said it doesn't hurt to have that portion in the plan, but in application, no one is going to pursue it. Trustee Jenks commented, Cherry Valley and the interchange are all in the Village.

Trustee VanNess concluded he feels more comfortable letting the Village deal with the issue of the interchange as it directly affects them.

Director Newton concluded his comments on the proposed comprehensive plan.

Trustee Mason asked for additional public comment. Hearing none he asked to close the public hearing.

Trustee Jenks moved to close the public hearing on the proposed comprehensive plan. Trustee VanNess seconded the motion and with no further discussion the public hearing was closed at 7:25 p.m. by a unanimous vote.

It was discussed the portion of the Cherry Valley Interchange would be left alone.

Trustee VanNess discussed the 400 set back. Trustee VanNess commented every property is different, and there may be features such as a ravine, hill, etc. Trustee VanNess commented there was a lot of controversy in discussions about the 400 ft setback in zoning meetings. Trustee Jenks stated there should not be a 400 ft setback in the plan if the Township is not going to enforce it. Trustee VanNess stated the current 100 ft is enough. Director Newton commented if the concept of the plan is for a scenic view, then that is the language which should be included. It could then be looked at later in the zoning regulations to achieve it. Trustee Jenks suggested the plan be changed to remove the number of feet for setback and replace it with language stating so as a nice view is accomplished.

Trustee VanNess stated the review had a reference to the portion of the plan dealing with the enterprise zone which refers to the Licking County Planning Commission. This should be changed to refer to the Licking County Commissioners and Licking County Auditor. Community Improvement Commission also needed inserted, in the last paragraph, on page 57. Trustee VanNess stated these are trivial changes. Director Newton stated the information was probably correct when the plan was begun four years ago.

Trustee Jenks requested Trustee VanNess ensure the changes are made so the plan may move forward to the Planning Commission on Monday (August 27, 2012). Director

Newton offered to work with Trustee VanNess on the corrections and changes to the plan.

There was discussion concerning the complete streets principles. It was determined not to eliminate the complete streets principles language, but to create an amendment detailing the complete streets application in the Township.

Trustee Mason called for a motion on the proposed comprehensive plan.

Granville Township, Licking County, Ohio

The Board of Township Trustees of Granville Township, Licking County, Ohio, met in general session on the 22 day of August, 2012, with the following members present:
Trustee Mason Trustee Jenks Trustee VanNess

Following the public hearing, Trustee Mason called for a motion on the proposed comprehensive plan. Trustee Jenks made a motion for the approval of the draft Granville Township and the Village of Granville Comprehensive Plan with four changes.

1. Change Plate 6 “Natural Resource Map” to reflect the correct Wellhead Protection overlay which corresponds to the 2011 approved Village of Granville Public Water System’s Drinking Water Source Protection Area.
2. Replaced sentence, “The Licking County Planning Commission staff administers the Enterprise Zone Program in Licking County” with “The Licking County Board of Commissioners and The County Auditor administer the Enterprise Zone Program in Licking County as part of the work under the newly formed Community Investment Corporation (CIC).”¹
3. Remove the references to 400 feet and 250 feet setbacks and the associated paragraph under the Natural Resources/Environmental Protection section (Page 63) and replace it with language that discusses the concept of new development being designed to not or minimally impact scenic views occurring from the rural roadways. The specific language will be produced by Trustee Van Ness and presented to LCPC.
4. The Trustees recommend further examination and detailing of the application and use of Township appropriate “Complete Streets” and “Scenic Byways.” This may involve minor text additions to the comprehensive plan. It will be further developed in supplemental documents of the Township to be developed in conjunction with LCPC staff.

Trustee VanNess seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

TO THE LICKING COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION:

¹ Fourth paragraph under STRENGTHENING THE TAX BASE, II Goals, Goal C. 1b Licking County Enterprise Zone, page 57 of the Granville Comprehensive Plan Update, 2012

I hereby certify the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the motion of the Board of Township Trustees of Granville Township, Licking County, Ohio, adopted on the 22 day of August, 2012, at its regular meeting.

Dated this 22 day of August, 2012.

Jerry A. Miller
Granville Township Fiscal Officer

It was discussed the proposed changes are minor and may be quickly incorporated into the plan. The detailed plan for the complete street principles and the scenic byways conditions and descriptions will be an amendment to the plan after it has been approved. Trustee VanNess will work with Director Newton to accomplish the corrections.

Trustee VanNess seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

Trustee Jenks commented the comprehensive plan took a long time to reach this point. Trustee Jenks advised when another comprehensive plan is developed there will be an effort to involve Director Newton 's office from the beginning. There could have been a better quality plan earlier if Director Newton 's office had been involved from the start. The Trustees are already thinking about using the current plan as a start to the next plan created. Director Newton commented the comprehensive plan is a good document to work from and has good working information. Trustee Jenks thanked Director Newton for his help.

Fiscal Officer Miller questioned how step 7 of the comprehensive plan approval process should be completed. Step 7 says, after approving the adoption of the comprehensive plan the Trustees must forward a copy of the document along with a signed signature page to the County Commissioners. Fiscal Officer Miller questioned what the signed signature page format is. Director Newton replied the signed signature page could be the motion with the Trustees' signatures. Director Newton commented it could probably be done where one person was authorized to sign for all as it had been voted upon and approved.

Trustee Jenks made a motion to add authorization for Fiscal Officer Jerry Miller to sign on behalf of the Trustees to the comprehensive plan motion. Trustee VanNess seconded the motion and with no further discussion it was approved by a unanimous vote.

Director Newton stated he would have the changes back to Trustee VanNess by Friday. Trustee VanNess will review and if everything is okay will pass it along to Fiscal Officer Miller who will then forward the plan with an electronic signature on the motion approving the comprehensive plan.

Public Comment:

There was no additional public comment.

Elected Officials Reports:

Fiscal Officer Miller:

Garage Loan:

Fiscal Officer Miller reported during the last Trustee meeting it was decided the Township would pay off the Township Service Complex building loan. Fiscal Officer Miller stated this has been accomplished. It was previously reported the payoff amount would be \$288,363.66. Fiscal Officer Miller discovered the bank was incorrectly charging a \$5,442.91 prepayment penalty. Fiscal Officer Miller worked with the bank to have the \$5,442.91 penalty payment removed, so the actual payoff amount was \$282,920.75. Trustee Mason thanked Fiscal Officer Miller for handling the payoff.

Fiscal Officer Miller will provide Trustee Jenks with details so he may go over the financial information with Superintendent Binckley.

Financial Matters:

Fiscal Officer Miller presented appropriations transfers from the road district fund to the Township garage payoff, and to the interest payoff account. There was also a third transfer due to the garage loan prepayment penalty, which was paid, then credited back a few days later.

Trustee Jenks made a motion to approve the appropriations transfers, Trustee VanNess seconded the motion and with no further discussion it was approved by a unanimous vote.

From	2141-330-360-003	Road District Fund Carryover	215,000.00
To	2141-820-820-0000	Township Garage Payoff	215,000.00
From	2141-330-360-003	Road District Fund Carryover	11,500.00
To	2141-820-820-0000	Township Garage Payoff – Interest	11,500.00
From	2141-330-360-003	Road District Fund Carryover	5442.91
To	2141-820-820-0000	Township Garage Payoff	5442.91

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:

E5131	Bain	291.87	E5132	Binckley	1604.29
E5133	Borden	623.67	E5134	Boudinot	887.24
E5135	Bowman	1544.08	E5136	Bryan	1058.51

E51337	Butt	749.98	E5138	Clemens	1414.89
N/A	Coyle	0.00	E5139	Curtis	1590.20
E5140	DuBeck	466.62	E5141	Duncan	519.63
E5142	Essick	863.27	N/A	Gottfried	0.00
E5143	Hall	1351.09	N/A	Hampton	0.00
E5144	Harrison	420.51	E5145	Henry	636.31
E5146	Hill	1299.30	E5147	Hussey	2506.72
N/A	Jenks	0.00	E5148	Jones,A	660.91
E5149	Jones,B	259.54	E5150	Kindell	596.53
E5151	Leckrone	209.19	E5152	Lynn	501.58
N/A	Mason	0.00	E5153	May	509.42
E5154	Meisenhelder	582.96	N/A	Miller,J	0.00
E5155	Miller,A	332.07	E5156	Monroe	1485.56
E5157	Poe	143.15	E5158	Reece	1196.89
N/A	Riley	.00	E5159	Saunders	691.87
E5160	Smith	261.89	E5161	Thompson	1385.99
N/A	Tracy	0.00	N/A	VanNess	0.00
N/A	Watling	0.00	WV154	IRS	5494.30
WV155	Deferred Comp	1435.00	WV156	OCS-Knox Co	1088.91
DM110	Medical Mutual	7921.41	8762	Treasurer – OH	150.00
8763	B&C Comm	612.50	8764	Bound Tree	1305.82
8765	Delta Dental	942.10	8766	Finley Fire	5685.00
8767	Ohio Public Entity	176.00	8768	Vidacare	219.08
8769	James Murr	4700.00	DM114	PNB	282920.75
DM115	PNB	5442.91			

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

Jerry A. Miller, Fiscal Officer

Trustee Jenks:

Trustee Jenks reported everything he has is covered elsewhere in the agenda.

Weaver Drive:

Trustee Jenks reported he met with the Village concerning Weaver Drive noting the annexation is now official. He has a map to give to Superintendent Binckley. Weaver Drive will now be like River Rd. From McCullough Tree to the East, the properties are still in the Township. The Trustees discussed the boundaries of the annexation. There is an odd piece which stayed in the Township. All of Weaver Drive will belong to the Village. They will be responsible for paving, mowing, plowing, and trash pick-up.

Trustee Jenks will meet with Superintendent Binckley and advise him he may put the area on the swap table if the Village would like to trade responsibility, however the Village will still do any blacktopping. Trustee Jenks discussed the swap deal which Superintendent Binckley has made with the Village needs to be memorialized. The deal is complex and needs to be written and kept on record. Trustee Jenks will bring the map to the next meeting.

Trustee Mason:

Trustee Mason reported he has been taking weekly trips down Fairview Avenue. This will be discussed later in the agenda.

Trustee Mason reported he attended with Trustee Jenks the unveiling of the art mural near Ross' Granville Market. Trustee Mason commented the mural is a nice addition to the community.

Trustee VanNess:

Trustee VanNess reported everything is covered elsewhere in the meeting.

Roads Department:

Superintendent's Report:

Road District:

Storm Debris Clean-up:

Superintendent Binckley reported the total storm debris cleanup cost for the Granville Township was \$56,277.28. There were 403 dump truck loads of debris and 1,484 man hours. This information has been given to Fiscal Officer Miller to turn into FEMA. If all goes well, the Township should recoup 75% of the cost.

Superintendent Binckley thanked Fiscal Officer Miller for keeping the public website up to date.

Letter of appreciation to Hope Timber and Elm's Recycling:

Superintendent Binckley reported he was requested by Trustee Jenks to write a letter to Hope Timber Company and Elm's Recycling thanking them for allowing the Township to take the debris to Hope Timber Company and to Elm's. Superintendent Binckley presented the letter to the Trustees for their signatures. Trustee Jenks commented it was a big help Hope Timber took all the debris for free and took it at all hours.

Trustee Jenks made a motion to approve the letter of appreciation to Hope Timber and Elm's Recycling. Trustee Mason seconded the motion and it was approved by a unanimous vote.

Superintendent Binckley reported he attended the FEMA after storm meeting with Trustee Mason. There will be more reports, and needs assessments. Some of the areas

of concern were water and ice availability. There will be another report in a few months. Superintendent Binckley reported there will be another meeting in October.

Mowing:

Superintendent Binckley reported the roads crew made another round of spraying mainly for Johnson grass. Due to the debris pick-up, some spraying and mowing was put on hold as all the crews worked on cleaning up the storm debris. The clean-up has now ended and the crews are catching up on spraying and mowing. The mowers are back out mowing the roads and right-of-ways. The North side of the Township is completed and the crew will start the South side tomorrow.

Generator:

Superintendent Binckley indicated he missed the last meeting, but knew there was a discussion concerning a generator purchase. Superintendent Binckley is working to obtain a second estimate, and is also waiting on Chief Hussey to return from vacation to discuss the issue.

Logo:

Superintendent Binckley reported Tim Church, who has been working on the Granville Township logo, was on vacation last week, but is getting back to working on it.

Bicycles on Loudon St.

Superintendent Binckley reported a resident on Loudon St., which is a road maintained by the County, called to express her concerns with the increased volume of bike riders. The resident is concerned for the safety of the bike riders. The resident called the Township garage looking for direction and advice. Superintendent Binckley referred her on to the Sheriff's Department, the Licking County Engineer's office, as well as the highway garage. The resident asked the matter be brought to the attention of the Trustees.

Trustee VanNess questioned whether Superintendent Binckley had any advice or recommendations concerning the matter. Superintendent Binckley responded it is something he would like to discuss with the Licking County Engineer's office to see if something can be done without any major costs or improvements. They may have some ideas concerning how to increase awareness, perhaps by painting something on the road. The resident's concern was not that the cyclists were there, but for the cyclists to be aware there are a lot of people who do drive fast on Loudon. There is not a lot of room off the berm on Loudon St.

Superintendent Binckley commented there is also not a lot of room on the side of Burg St., and there are a lot of cyclists on Burg and New Burg Streets.

Trustee Jenks commented the short term answer is there is probably not much the Trustees can do at this time, but as the complete streets issue is discussed, room for bicycle lanes can be discussed.

Trustee Jenks commented it was discussed at our last Trustees' meeting that Superintendent Binckley and Terry Hopkins would talk and come up with a formal agreement concerning the streets where the Township and the Village would trade mowing and plowing. They have not yet met, but a meeting is scheduled.

Trustee Jenks questioned whether Fiscal Officer Miller spoke to the Kiwanis concerning the wood from the barn. Fiscal Officer Miller commented he did speak to the Kiwanis and they are interested in the wood from the barn and will pick it up this later this fall.

Fiscal Officer Miller reported FEMA did make an award and a meeting has been scheduled for September 7, 2012. Fiscal Officer Miller stated he will be attending the September 7, 2012, meeting. Trustee Jenks felt this increases the likelihood Granville Township will receive reimbursement.

Cemetery Department:

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Binckley reported there have been five funerals.

Superintendent Binckley announced the full crew is back up at the cemeteries. Workers had been pulled to work on the storm clean-up, but they are catching up at the cemeteries. Trustee Jenks reported he had comments from a few citizens about the condition of the mowing and weed whacking in Old Colony and Maple Grove and he has assured the citizens the crews are back working full force and quickly catching up on the cemeteries.

Parks Department:

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Binckley had nothing to report under parks.

SWIF Grant- Spring Valley Park

Fiscal Officer Miller reported the SWIF grant has been completed. Fiscal Officer worked with Doug Spieles last weekend and the paperwork has been completed and filed with the Ohio EPA. Trustee Mason commented the SWIF grant may be taken off the agenda, except for an issue with trees. Trustee VanNess commented the dead trees will be replaced by John Klauder later this fall.

Fire Department:

Chief's Report: There was no chief's report as Chief Hussey was on vacation.

Land Management/ Zoning/ Open Space:

Zoning Resolution Changes:

Trustee VanNess reported the Township Zoning Commission is meeting on September 10, 2012, and having a public hearing on the zoning resolution changes. Trustee VanNess reported he was at the Licking County Planning Commission and spoke to Brad Mercer. They are finishing up their review of the zoning resolution changes. Trustee VanNess reported it appears everything is still in line for the zoning resolution changes to go through.

Old Business

Rotary Bridge Project- status

Trustee Jenks reported he met with representatives from ODOT on August 9, 2012, to discuss requirements and changes they would like in the land management's trust easement. Trustee Jenks reported he is working with Candy Moore on those changes for the grant to move forward.

Barn Roof:

Trustee Jenks suggested the barn roof issue be moved to the next meeting. Trustee VanNess commented there is not a big urgency with the barn roof issue. Trustee Mason also agreed the barn roof could be moved to the next meeting. Trustee VanNess suggested Superintendent Binckley obtain the cost estimates for some containers if the Township does decide to tear down the barn. Superintendent Binckley will contact Big O to determine the cost of a 30 yd. container. Trustee VanNess commented the Township will need at least 6 of the containers. Trustee Jenks advised Superintendent Binckley to make sure Big O understands the barn is demo material as opposed to trash or MSW as demo is cheaper. Trustee Jenks estimates it will require more than 6 containers.

Township Garage- Rust Issue:

Trustee Jenks reported, he and Superintendent Binckley, Assistant Prosecutor Austin Lecklider and Christian Robertson and Jeremy Johnson from Robertson Construction, met on August 15, 2012. They have agreed something needs to be done. Robertson Construction wants to do the right thing. Trustee Jenks reported they have proposed to have a remediation plan to the Trustees by Friday, August 24, 2012. Trustee Jenks will present the plan to the Trustees for discussion and will then get back to them.

Weaver Drive Annexation- Road Maintenance:

Trustee Jenks presented the maps of the annexed area to the Trustees. Superintendent Binckley was provided with the maps. There is a triangle in the middle of Weaver Drive which was not annexed, as the area was owned by a different owner. Trustee Jenks reported this map changes the Township's responsibilities on Weaver Drive and this will be incorporated into the report on mowing and plowing Superintendent Binckley is preparing.

Union Cemetery:

Trustee Jenks reported there has not been a meeting on the Union Cemetery as Council Woman Connie Barsky has been unavailable. Jim Patin is in the process of scheduling another meeting.

New Business

Trustee Mason reported he heard from the Raccoon Valley Golf Course owner who heard the Granville Golf Course has not been awarded a conservation easement (CE) for 2012, and may not be. He questioned whether this information was correct and if Raccoon Valley Golf Course still could have a shot at a CE for 2012. Trustee Mason indicated he has referred the mail to the Open Space Committee. Doug Wagner responded to Trustee Mason the Committee won't be able to meet until the end of September due to vacations, etc.

Trustee Jenks said his recollection was the Raccoon Valley Golf Course did not score well the last time. It was the Open Space Committee's recommendation not to award the CE. There wasn't mention of them doing something else to be awarded the CE, they did not score well. Trustee Jenks questioned whether the Raccoon Valley Golf Course would score better with another review, and whether that would change the Trustees' minds.

Trustee Jenks questioned whether the Open Space Committee needs to be involved. Trustee Jenks commented the Trustees know the score from the last time, if the score is not going to change, does the Open Space Committee need to review the request.

Trustee VanNess commented he would abstain from the discussion as it is a neighboring property.

Trustee Mason will talk to Doug Wagner to determine if there is a reason for the Land Management Committee to review the request. If Doug Wagner believes there is a reason the scoring would change the Trustees will request the Open Space Committee review the request. Trustee Jenks commented if Doug Wagner believes the scoring will remain the same, he is prepared to vote on the issue without a further review by the Open Space Committee.

Fairview Avenue Property:

Trustee VanNess talked to Zoning Inspector Warren May about the property and went out on Fairview. Regarding the one property which had cars in the driveway, it did not appear to have moved; Trustee VanNess did speak to the owner of the property, Mrs. Hunkins. Mrs. Hunkins said all the cars are operable. She can only drive one at a time, and is currently only driving one of the cars. Trustee VanNess talked with Inspector May, and it does not appear the cars meet the junk cars classification as they are not damaged. Trustee Mason commented the cars have flat tires, and Trustee VanNess responded there are some with low tires, but a flat tire or low tire doesn't meet the qualification of a junk vehicle which is an extensively damaged vehicle.

Trustee VanNess also went to 217 Fairview. The mailbox indicates 217 Fairview, but the auditor's website indicates it is 223 Fairview. Trustee VanNess reported no one is living there. The neighbors said they moved out June 1st. The grass hasn't been mowed. There is building debris lying around the property. There is a whole side of a building leaning against the front. Trustee VanNess stated he told Inspector May he believes the property does meet the justification and requested Inspector May move on the property. That property looks as though it is owned by Harry and Anita Brevard who live at 3066 Martinsburg Rd., Newark, and they are apparently using it as a rental. Trustee VanNess commented the property is in pretty bad shape. Trustee VanNess stated Inspector May will pursue the property.

Trustee Mason requested Trustee VanNess communicate with Charles Watts as he was the resident who complained. Trustee VanNess stated he will have Inspector May follow up with Mr. Watts as it is his responsibility. Trustee Mason reiterated he wants to make sure the resident's complaint is followed up.

General Fund Millage Issue:

Trustee Jenks questioned whether Fiscal Officer Miller had received an answer back on the millage issue. Fiscal Officer Miller reported he had not heard anything. Trustee Jenks suggested Fiscal Officer Miller contact Auditor Mike Smith to see if it can be moved along. Fiscal Officer Miller will contact Auditor Mike Smith.

New Business:

None

On a motion by Trustee Jenks and a second by Trustee Mason, with Mason yes, Jenks yes and VanNess yes the meeting was moved into Executive Session under ORC section 122.21(G)(2) for the purpose of discussing possible property acquisition, and under ORC Public Employees' Compensation 121.22 (G)(1).

Trustee Jenks stated the next regular Granville Township Trustees Meeting will be September 12, 2012.

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

The Trustees discussed allowing the Road Superintendent the use of a Township vehicle for travel between home and work. Noting there are many times where Superintendent Brinkley would go directly to the work site before coming to the Township garage, especially during the winter months when checking road conditions. Information was provided showing many other local governmental entities are currently allowing their Superintendent the use of a vehicle. This included Union Township, Madison Township, Etna Township, Franklin Township, Bennington Township, City of Heath, City of Newark, and ODOT Supervisors. It was also discussed this would put him on par with Granville Township Fire Chief.

Trustee Jenks motioned and Trustee VanNess seconded and after discussion, the Trustees unanimously approved allowing the Road Superintendent to use a Township vehicle for transportation between home and work. The vehicle cannot be used for personal usage. Fiscal Officer Miller is to put together the details of a plan, including the taxable options and present it to Superintendent Binckley.

Fiscal Officer Miller reported he failed to report on asking the Trustees to allow him to sign Terrorism Coverage for two upcoming insurance policies. He understood the prior fiscal officer typically handled this situation, but wanted to get approval from the Trustees. Trustee VanNess motioned and Trustee Jenks seconded and by unanimous vote the Trustees authorized Fiscal Office Miller to sign a waiver of Terrorism Coverage from our upcoming Insurance policies.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM.