Special Beavercreek Trustee's Meeting

Wednesday, April 30, 2014

Ms. Graff called the Special Trustee Meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. Those present were Trustees: Carol Graff, Dan Paxson, and Tom Kretz. Fiscal Officer, Christy Ahrens and Legal Advisor Dawn Frick were present. Staff present: Township Administrator Alex Zaharieff and Fire Chief David VandenBos.
City Council Members present: Brian Jarvis, Deborah Wallace, Vicki Giambrone, Jerry Petrak, Zach Upton, Melissa Litteral, and Chad Whilding. City Staff present: City Manager Mike Cornell, Police Chief Dennis Evers, Finance Director Bill Kucera, and Interim Public Administrative Services Director Mike Thonnerieux, and City Engineer Jeff Moorman. Beavercreek Township Park Board member Bob Darden was also present.

The Purpose of this Special Meeting is to meet in **Open Session** at Council Chambers 1368 Research Park Drive, Beavercreek, Ohio 45432 with officials from the City of Beavercreek to discuss joint ventures and items of mutual interest between Beavercreek Township and the City of Beavercreek.

Staff Presentation of U.S. 35 Interchange:
City Engineer Jeff Moorman distributed and explained a presentation regarding the U.S. 35 Interchange and the project schedule update. Several items were presented including: funding; aerial photos; and elevation diagrams of U.S. 35 relative to properties along the interstate. General discussion occurred regarding: a support letter for TRAC Funding; local finance support for the project; the bike path; flooding on Factory Road; business/economic concerns at Orchard and U.S. 35; and the safety and better traffic flow for the area. Both entities see great value in this project and want to try to make it work for everyone.

Collaborative Efforts:
The main goal of this discussion was to discuss options the entities might have in order to save taxpayer dollars by working collaboratively. General discussion occurred regarding Mr. Kretz's suggestion of looking at an organizational merger and the fact that both entities have money, obligations and services to provide to our taxpayers and we need to find the best way to use the money for our citizens. Discussion occurred regarding Park consolidation; services consolidation; fuel and inside mileage. Both entities agreed to work toward a possible collaboration based on common ground in the best interest of the citizens.

Roundtable Discussion:
All members of City Council and elected official of the Township had an opportunity to speak. General thanks for hosting and attending the meeting was the most prevalent statement, along with the desire to have another meeting in the future. General consensus was to keep moving forward; however, this was a good start.

General discussion occurred regarding the Green Vista fire. Chief VandenBos answered questions and invited all elected officials to attend a new relay operation training session next Thursday, May 8, 2014 from 1-5 P.M. at the Ankeney Soccer Fields. Chief VandenBos also stated that the Township is looking at all emergency access positions and will be working collaboratively with the City to ensure the whole Township is reviewed.

Annexation and the cost to the taxpayers was an issue brought up by all three Trustees. The idea that the two entities might come together to discuss this issue was suggested.

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2014-174 Mr. Paxson made a motion to Adjourn at 6:46 P.M. Mr. Kretz seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Paxson, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; and Ms. Graff, yes.

Trustee: _____

Fiscal Officer: _____