

The regular meeting of the Green Township Board of Trustees held on June 10, 2013 was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Chairman Boiman, present; Trustee Rosiello, present; Trustee Linnenberg, present; Fiscal Officer Straus, present.

Trustee Rosiello moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of May 28, 2013. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. All voted Aye.

#### TAX BUDGET HEARING

Trustee Rosiello called the 2014 Tax Budget Hearing to order. Chairman Linnenberg stated that the legal notice for the 2013 Tax Budget Hearing was published May 30, 2013 in the Cincinnati Enquirer.

Fiscal Officer Straus stated that the Tax Budget is a planning tool for revenue and expenses. The total Tax Budget for 2014 is \$41,600,000. Approximately \$7.2 million of that is out of the General Fund. The TIF Fund totals approximately \$21 million. Approximately \$13,600,000 of the TIF revenue goes to the local school districts. The rest of the income is from Fire and Police Levies. A copy of the 2014 Tax Budget will be available for review at the conclusion of this meeting.

Trustee Rosiello moved to adjourn the 2014 Green Township Tax Budget Hearing. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Trustee Boiman: Aye; Chairman Linnenberg: Aye.

Trustee Linnenberg moved to approve the minutes for the special meeting of June 5, 2013. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. All voted Aye.

#### RESOLUTION #13-0610-A

Chairman Boiman moved to pass a resolution to approve the Green Township 2014 Tax Budget. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

#### RESOLUTION #13-0610-B

Chairman Boiman moved to pass a resolution accepting and approving the financial reports as submitted. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

#### RESOLUTION #13-0610-C

Chairman Boiman moved to pass a resolution authorizing the donation of three obsolete Bullard Thermal Imaging Cameras to the Fire Training Program at Cincinnati State Technical and Community College. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

#### RESOLUTION #13-0610-D

Chairman Boiman moved to pass a resolution authorizing out of state travel for Lieutenant Jeffrey Williams to attend the Fire Arson Origin and Cause Investigation Course at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland from July 22, 2013 through August 2, 2013. All course fees, travel and lodging expenses are paid by the Federal Government. The Township expense is limited to a \$220 meal ticket. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

#### RESOLUTION #13-0610-E

Trustee Boiman moved to pass a resolution approving the hiring of Greg Holtkamp as a Maintenance Worker/Operator with an amended starting salary of \$39,774.00 per year with an effective start date of June 15, 2013. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

#### RESOLUTION #13-0610-F

Trustee Boiman moved to pass a resolution declaring necessity for levying tax exceeding ten-mill limitation and certifying proposed police and fire services levy questions to the Hamilton County Auditor. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

#### RESOLUTION #13-0610-G

Chairman Boiman moved to pass a resolution declaring Green Township a Purple Heart Township. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

Chairman Boiman explained that he was asked if Green Township would become a Purple Heart Township. Chairman Boiman thought that becoming a Purple Heart Township would honor the Township's veterans. A plaque will be given to the Township with this designation.

**RESOLUTION #13-0610-H**

Chairman Boiman moved to pass a resolution to establish June 24, 2013 as the hearing date for the Green Township Trustees to hear case #NEGT2013-01 for 3557 Jessup Road Zone Change. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

**RESOLUTION #13-0610-I**

Chairman Boiman moved to pass a resolution authorizing the donation of two wheeled metal turnout gear racks to the Theater Department at Three Rivers Middle School. The racks were recently replaced by wall-mounted racks at Fire Station 107. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

**RESOLUTION #13-0610-J**

Chairman Boiman moved to pass a resolution appointing Frank Hyle and/or Adam Goetzman to represent Green Township at the Hamilton County Tax Incentive Review Council meeting on June 20, 2013. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

**RESOLUTION #12-1210-K**

The following properties were declared as nuisances. The Township Attorney was directed to notify the owners of the properties listed below of this resolution:

1. 6040 Colerain Avenue (550-0011-0306), Motion made by Chairman Boiman and seconded by Trustee Rosiello. All voted Aye.
2. 3285 Tallahassee Drive (550-0080-0438), Motion made by Chairman Boiman and seconded by Trustee Rosiello. All voted Aye.
3. 4094 West Fork Road (550-0102-0050), Motion made by Chairman Boiman and seconded by Trustee Rosiello. All voted Aye.
4. 5729 West Fork Road (550-0203-0024), Motion made by Chairman Boiman and seconded by Trustee Rosiello. All voted Aye.
5. 3445 Westport Court (550-0242-0218), Motion made by Chairman Boiman and seconded by Trustee Rosiello. All voted Aye.

The Ohio Department of Liquor Control has sent notice of application from:

- a. Race 2 LLC, DBA Bridgetown Drive Thru, 4319 Harrison Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45211. The Police Chief had no objection. The Trustees had no objection.
- b. Chips X Inc, DBA Take Five Bar and Grill and Patio, 6955-57 Harrison Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45247. The Police Chief had no objection. The Trustees had no objection.
- c. Janet Todd Bliss, 3269 North Bend Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45239. The Police Chief had no objection. The Trustees had no objection.

Administrator Celarek made the following announcements:

1. The Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on June 12, 2013 at 11:30 a.m., Hamilton County Administration Building, 138 East Court Street, Room 605B to hear the following case:
  - a. Case Green #2003-09, TriHealth/David House, applicant, Steve Mombach, VP Ambulatory Service and Senior Health, TriHealth Inc., for approval of an appeal requesting the extension of the approved time frame for an existing 672 square foot temporary freestanding sign.

Administrator Celarek reported that TriHealth/Good Samaritan is seeking permission to maintain the existing temporary billboard on their property until July 1, 2016, after that the sign is to be replaced by a large identification sign integrated into an onsite retaining wall. In 2010 TriHealth applied for a Localized Alternative Sign Regulation plan (LASR) for the Western Ridge site. The application included variances to building and site identifications signage and a provision to allow the existing temporary billboard sign to remain in place no longer than the construction of a permanent retaining wall on which a permanently affixed sign up to 672 square feet in size would be permitted. In 2010, the Zoning Commission approved the site and building portions of the LASR, however, they did not approve the billboard component of the LASR. The Zoning Commission permitted the billboard to remain in place through December of 2012 only. In the spring of 2013, Tri-Health appealed an order to remove the billboard. In their initial application for

reconsideration of the order to remove the billboard, they inadvertently indicted that they sought the permission to maintain the billboard permanently. Prior to the March 21, 2013 hearing they clarified the application was for temporary status. The Hamilton County Zoning Commission did not grant permission to maintain the sign on site. TriHealth is appealing that decision to the Board of County Commissioners.

The Board of County Commissioners is hearing a narrow request, only to maintain the sign until July 1, 2016 or until a permanent retaining wall containing an integrated site identification sign up to 672 square foot in size is constructed, whichever comes first. In 2010 the Township approved the LASR and the provision to maintain the billboard. On March 11, 2013 the Trustees affirmed their support of the temporary billboard remaining through July 1, 2016. TriHealth is seeking the Trustee's continued support before the Board of County Commissioners. TriHealth is a valuable JEDD partner and the Western Ridge facility was the first such project in the Township. Administrator Celarek stated that the Township has never received a complaint about the sign and stated that Development Director Goetzman recommends approval of the temporary sign.

**RESOLUTION #13-0610-L**

Trustee Rosiello moved to pass a resolution recommending approval of Case Green #2003-09 to the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

2. The Hamilton County Rural Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on June 20, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. at the Hamilton County Administration Building, 138 East Court Street, Room 805, to hear the following case:
  - a. Case Green #2009-06, Mercy Hospital (signage), Lisa Graham, Kolar Designs, applicant and Mercy Hospital West, owner, for approval of a Zoning Compliance Plan for a freestanding building, directional and other incidental signage for the hospital located at the east intersection of North Bend Road and Mercy Health Boulevard.

Administrator Celarek stated that Mercy Hospital has submitted a comprehensive signage plan for their North Bend Road campus. The plan includes a wide range of building and free-standing signage for the hospital, from large building mounted signage to small directional signs, to help guide patients and visitors throughout the entire site. Due to the scope of the sign plan, the proposal is tantamount to a Localized Alternative Sign Regulation Plan for the Hospital site. With the exception of the largest building mounted sign (several options are proposed) and the main sign on North Bend Road (@ Mercy Health Blvd.) it is unlikely that any of the signage will directly impact those who are not visiting the site. Since site signage for a facility this size is a somewhat formidable undertaking, the plan contains a couple of options for the main building identifications sign(s). The main identification signage would be located on either the mechanical screen or the main patient tower.

Administrator Celarek stated that Development Director Goetzman has reviewed the plan in detail. When viewed in total, there may be some level of over-signage for the site, however, each sign has a purpose. Some with a unique purpose like identifying specific entrances (lab, emergency...) others are more generic, such as driver oriented directionals. Overall there is a consistent design theme implemented through the use of high quality materials. Adoption of the plan, with one Primary Building ID Sign (Opt. 1 mechanical area screen or Opt. 2 building) as proposed is appropriate. Administrator Celarek stated that Development Director Goetzman recommends approval of the proposal.

**RESOLUTION #13-0610-M**

Chairman Boiman moved to pass a resolution recommending approval of Case Green #2009-06 to the Hamilton County Rural Zoning Commission. Trustee Linnenberg seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye.

3. The Hamilton County Zoning Commission will hold a public Staff Conference on June 19, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at the Green Township Administration Building, 6303 Harrison Avenue, to hear the following case:
  - a. Case #NEGT2013-01, Neyer/Harrison Avenue, zone change request from residential to office/retail.

If you have any questions call Bryan Snyder at Hamilton County Planning

and Zoning, 946-4550.

Fiscal Officer, Tom Straus, thanked the members of the Green Township Audit Committee, Dan Crowley, Nancy Brunemann, Triffon Callas, and Jim Krause for their service to the Township.

Township Attorney, Frank Hyle, stated need for executive session for the purpose of discussing acquisition of property and collective bargaining strategy. Action is not anticipated.

Township Administrator, Kevin Celarek, reported that the Hamilton County Park District is changing their name to Great Parks of Hamilton County. He also reported that Green Township will be hosting a Blood Drive at the Green Township Administrative Complex. Residents are encouraged to sign up to donate on Friday, June 28, 2013 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Administrator Celarek also reported that the Township has just received notice regarding a cell tower that will be installed at 5455 Glenway Avenue. That address is on Glenway Crossing at Crookshank in the City of Cincinnati.

Randy Ludwig reported in the absence of Director of Public Services, Joe Lambing. Mr. Ludwig announced that the concert and fireworks event is just about three weeks away. If residents need additional information it is available on the Green Township website. The Bands will be Bluefish and Sullivan & Janszen. Shuttle bus service begins at 5:30 p.m. Music begins at 6:00 p.m. Fireworks at dusk.

Asst. Chief Scott Souders reported in the absence of Fire/EMS Chief, Doug Witsken. He stated that he had nothing to report.

Police Chief, Bart West, asked residents to keep their eyes open for burglaries, or other suspicious activity. There was recently a case solved due to a tip about a suspicious vehicle from a resident. If you see something, say something.

Trustee Rosiello asked Chief Bart West if he has heard anymore about legislation regarding front license plates on vehicles. Chief West stated that he has not heard any updates regarding that issue. Chief West stated that front license plates are very helpful to law enforcement. Especially if a fleeing vehicle is heading toward you.

Director of Development, Adam Goetzman, was excused.

Chairman Boiman offered condolences to Fiscal Officer, Tom Straus, whose father-in-law Gene Ruehlman passed away last week. Mr. Ruehlman was a former Mayor in the City of Cincinnati and passed away at the age of 88.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, June 24, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

Trustee Linnenberg made a motion to recess into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing acquisition of property and collective bargaining strategy. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye. The meeting was recessed at 5:50 p.m.; reconvened at 6:15 p.m.

Trustee Linnenberg moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Rosiello seconded the motion. Trustee Linnenberg: Aye; Trustee Rosiello: Aye; Chairman Boiman: Aye. Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

ATTEST: