

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2007**

The Medina Township Board of Trustees held a workshop session at the Medina Township Hall on September 13th, 2007. Vice-President Huffman called the workshop to order at 7:02 pm with the following Trustees in attendance: Dianna Huffman and Mead Wilkins. Also in attendance were the Police Chief and the general public.

Roll Call

Mrs. Huffman Todd asked for a roll call of all members present. Trustees present were Mrs. Huffman and Mr. Wilkins.

Mrs. Huffman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Conservation Easement

Eddie Dengg, Director of the Western Reserve Land Conservancy, discussed the draft of the Conservation Easement that was prepared by the County Prosecutor's Office. He also discussed the map of the property on Weymouth Road and would like to come to some consensus about what part of the property could be conserved. The intent would be that the Western Reserve Land Conservancy land on Fenn Road would become Township property and, in return for that, the Township would put restrictions on the Weymouth Road property, which would still remain with the Township as Township land with the back of it being Conservancy land. The end result being, all the land would still be owned by the Township. The Conservancy would hold restrictions on the property. Mr. Wilkins read a letter from Jeff Van Loon, Director of Medina Soil and Water Conservancy (see attached) regarding conservancies. Mr. Dengg will prepare the necessary documents.

Taxes on Properties

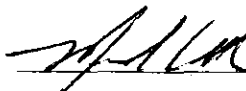
Mr. Wilkins said that the Township has been paying taxes on the AT&T property and several other properties in the Township. He has asked Fiscal Officer George to fill out the paperwork for tax exempt status and to try and recoup some of the previous paid taxes.


Hug-a-Bears

AT&T Philanthropic makes Hug-a-Bears that are given to the Police and Fire Departments to give to children who are traumatized during an accident, fire or domestic abuse. Mrs. Strogan presented Chief Arbogast with 25 bears.

Mrs. Huffman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. Mr. Wilkins seconded the motion. Voting aye thereon: Mrs. Huffman and Mr. Wilkins.

Medina Township Fiscal Officer







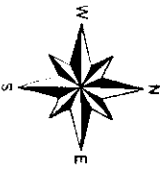
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-  Flood Hazard





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From: Jeff Van Loon [jvanloon@medinaco.org]
Sent: Monday, September 10, 2007 3:53 PM
To: medinatowship@medinatowship.com
Subject: easements

TO: Trustees
From : Jeff Van Loon
District Manager, Medina SWCD

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RE: Conservation Easements

I wanted to share a few thoughts about conservation easements. You will be asked to consider holding them. You will find they are a good thing for the existing landowner. Sometimes a regulatory agency will require a landowner to complete one because they want to preserve a property or mitigate something. When asked to take one, are you performing a "bail out" function for someone, or are you really interested in said property for good reasons. For long term protection of easement, consider an endowment from landowner to help you monitor and defend if necessary the easement in court. Be prepared to deal with encroachments like fences, tree houses, mowings four-wheelers, etc. Does prosecutor office have time for minor violations.? Ask yourself, do we hold this for public good or private bail out of someone. The Medina SWCD Board of Supervisors has turned down several requests because they were small or urban oriented properties with high encroachment potential or heavy monitoring requirements. You don't have to take it just because someone requests you to.

Jeff VanLoon