

XENIA TOWNSHIP

PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING HELD ON: August 4, 2010 7:00 P.M.

The Trustees held an informational meeting at the Xenia Township Trustees Office, 8 Brush Row Road, Xenia, OH with the following people present: Trustees Scott Miller and John Faulkner and Zoning Inspector Rhonda Painter. Attached to this original report is a copy of the letter mailed to each affected property owner and the attendance sign in sheet.

John Faulkner welcomed the residents in attendance at the meeting. He explained to residents that the City of Xenia has asked Xenia Township to protect the one and five year time of travel. Currently Xenia Township has zoning protection for the one year time of travel. The City plans to increase water production at the treatment plant from 4 million gallons a day, to 8 million gallons per day. The trustees invited people to attend that night to answer questions and discuss what isn't going to happen and what is planned. Faulkner explained what has happened up to this point. The Trustees have advised the City of the concerns associated with increasing production, and what the Township would like to see the City agree to. For example, in the 1980's the mining company now known as Cemex was buying land, and there was a concern that mining would affect the wells. The company signed agreements with the property owners in the area agreeing to provide water if there were an affect on the private wells. The Trustees have proposed to the City that they could also have a similar agreement to assure the residents they will have water if the private wells are affected by increased drawdown. The township sent out questionnaires to get a baseline of the quality and quantity of the private wells today, in the event there is a problem in the future. Faulkner explained some of the other issues, such as a premium that is charged to those who receive pubic water but live in the township and the possible devaluation of property due to imposed restrictions on use. Faulkner also explained a fund the City has created to help remedy any problems that might be found in the wellfield, such as underground storage tanks.

The residents asked questions about the City water lines. Why can't the lines be extended? Miller advised the water which is pumped goes to the city, and some township residents, and also goes to Cedarville and Jamestown. It is the city's policy not to extend water lines unless the property owner agrees to annexation, or at least agrees not to oppose annexation. There were questions about what happens if the wells are affected? What are the options? Who will litigate? Regarding the fund, one resident suggested a "step" fund. For example, as the production increases, the amount of the fund would increase, due to greater potential of private wells being affected.

Trustees thanked the residents for attending, and agreed to keep them informed as this progresses. As of this time, the City has not made a formal request to increase the wellfield protection area, and the Township has not entered into any type of agreement with them. The residents remarked they are appreciative of the honesty of the Board of Trustees.

Informational meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Scott W. Miller, Chair

ATTEST:

John D. Faulkner

Rhonda Painter, Zoning Inspector/Office Mgr. Jim Reed