

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held Wednesday, December 02, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

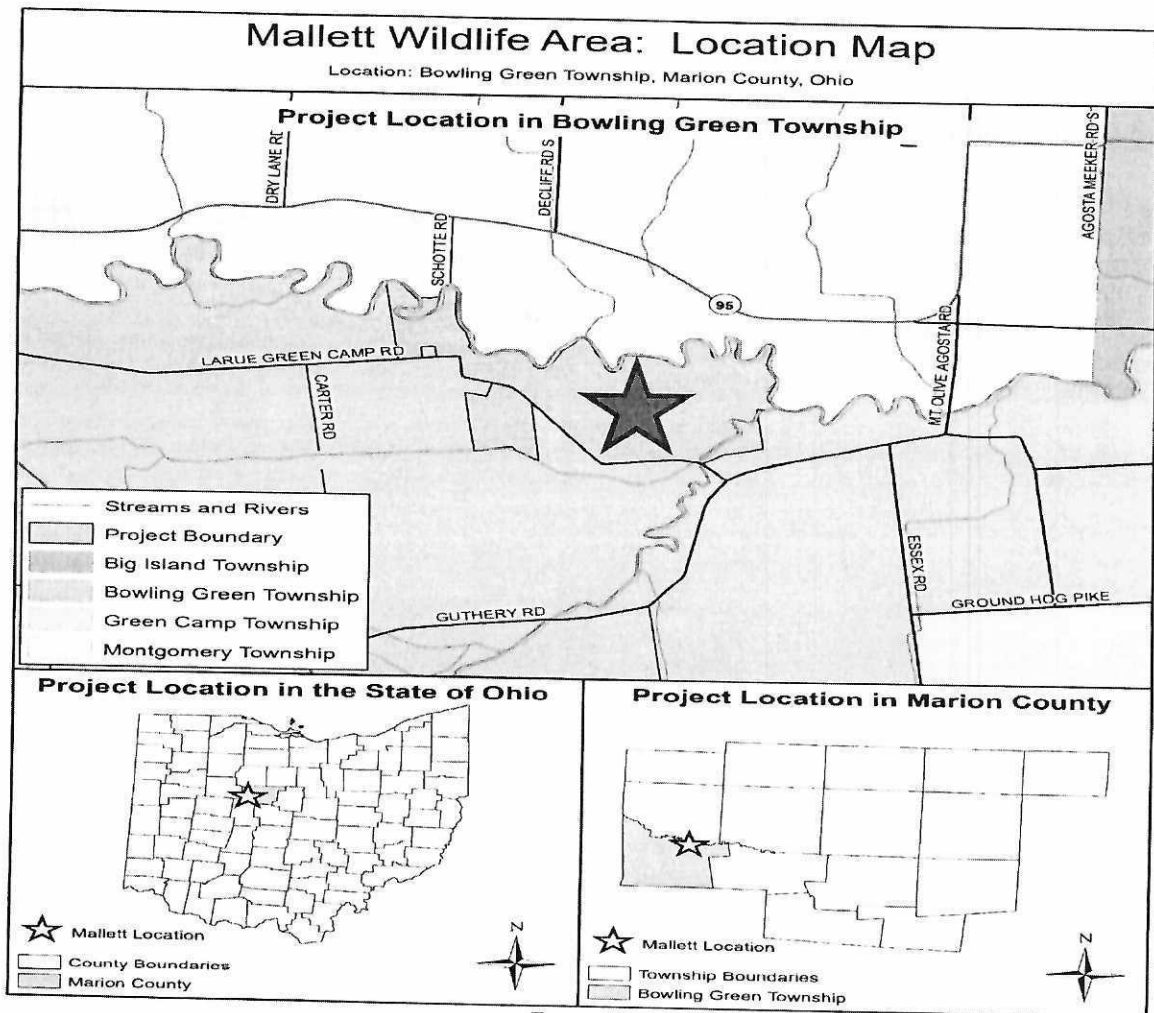
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PUBLIC NOTIFIC SPECIAL MEETING WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 02, 2020 TIME 6:00 P.M. AGENDA: PHEASANTS FOREVER SEEKING RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT BY ORDER OF BOWLING GREEN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE DAVID K. TRIHAFT.

TRUSTEE ROLL CALLS: Township officials present Chairman Trustee Richard L. Holcomb calling meeting to order with Trustee Duane J. Wolf and Trustee David K. Trihaft.

VISITORS: Cody Grasser, Ohio State Coordinator Pheasants Forever, Inc. and Quail Forever explaining "Project" application reason for correspondence with Bowling Green Township officials on the subject of "Pheasants Forever Seeking Resolution of Support" from the township in accordance with ORC section 164.23 (B)(1)(a), the following letterhead dated November 2020 "Dear Bowling Green Township Trustees, Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever in Ohio is seeking a resolution of support from your township regarding an application to the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program. This program provides financial assistance to projects that protect open space and river corridors and ensure that open space is accessible to future generations. We are working with township resident Jeff Mallett to acquire land for permanent wildlife habitat, water quality and ecosystem benefits, and public access. The land is adjacent to the Scioto River and other permanently protected habitats and would ensure long-term benefits to wildlife, water quality, and more. This project supports Pheasants Forever's mission which is dedicated to the conservation of pheasants, quail, and other wildlife through habitat improvements, public awareness, education and land management policies and programs. Ohio has 29 local chapters of Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever, including a chapter in Marion County. Pursuant with the Ohio Revised Code (Section 164.23(B)), Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program applications require a resolution of support from the local township. The application deadline is December 11th, prior to the next regularly scheduled township meeting. I understand that any decision on this prior to our deadline would require a special meeting and I apologize for the inconvenience this places on each of you. This project has been made possible thus far through strong partnerships, and we appreciate your consideration for support. Attached is a sample resolution of support letter for your convenience."; and

Mr. Grasser presenting "Mallett Wildlife Area: Location Map" the following:



Mr. Grasser providing "sample resolution" the following:

"Subject: Resolution of support for an application for funding of a project submitted by Pheasants Forever Inc. and Quail Forever in Ohio to the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program through the Natural Resource Assistance Council of District 16 consisting of the purchase and development of land in Bowling Green Township. Resolution Number 20201202

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program, administers and provides financial assistance for local communities and non-profit organizations for the preservation of open space, AND;

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Bowling Green Township Board of Trustees Special Session

Meeting

BEAUPREGRAPHICS, 800 325 8094 FORM NO. 1014B

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WHEREAS, the Township of Bowling Green desires to support Pheasants Forever Inc. and Quail Forever, a non-profit organization, to request financial assistance under the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program as required in ORC section 164.23 (B)(1)(a);

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Township of Bowling Green as follows:

SECTION ONE

That: The Township of Bowling Green approves of Pheasants Forever Inc. and Quail Forever filing an application for the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program.

SECTION TWO

That: Bowling Green Township (Marion County) hereby authorizes Pheasants Forever Inc. and Quail Forever to make application to the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.

SECTION THREE

That: The Township of Bowling Green does agree to support Pheasants Forever Inc. and Quail Forever to complete the proposed project under the terms and conditions of the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program regarding the requirements of ORC section 164.23 (B)(1)(a)."

Marion County Prosecuting Attorney office legal counsel correspondence with the township fiscal officer, for purpose of board member consideration, documentation, the following:

Ms. Anderson,

You recently informed us of a desire by a group called Pheasants Forever Inc./Quail Forever to have the township's support as it relates to an application to the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program—a program that provides financial assistance to conservation-oriented projects. This group wants to create a protected wildlife habitat on land that includes land around the Scioto River and is working with township resident Jeff Mallett toward that end. Your question is simply whether the township can pass a resolution of the sort indicated in the November 20, 2020 email.

We believe it can. The township is permitted to express its support for the project suggested if it wishes to do so. R.C. 164.23(B)(1)(a) requires that such a resolution be included with the application, among other items. Please note that this opinion is not intended as a policy judgment. That is, we do not presume to tell the township that it should agree to anything in particular, but we believe it may pass the resolution you are asking about.

We hope you find this information helpful, and do not hesitate to reach out should you have further questions.

Thanks,

--Nate Heiser

Bowling Green Township Board of Trustees dialog, information flow. Trustee Trihaft dialog with township resident Jeff Mallet. Trustee Wolf dialog. Trustee Holcomb dialog. Trustee Trihaft text dialog set special meeting day and time with township officials.

Bowling Green Township Board of Trustees pass Resolution 20201202 this 2nd day of December 2020 Trustee Trihaft motion to give support Trustee Wolf second for resolution in support vote roll calls Trustee Richard L. Holcomb, Aye; Trustee Duane J. Wolf, Aye; Trustee David K. Trihaft, Aye.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Wolf Motion Trustee Holcomb second three ayes, time 6:21 p.m.

Richard L. Holcomb *Duane J. Wolf* *David K. Trihaft*

Township of Bowling Green concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code. Attest: Robin Anderson, Fiscal Officer.