

CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY: Tim: 7:30 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance lead Tim Pfile

Roll Call

Pfile: Chair, present, Bixler Vice chair: present, Trustee Diehl: present, Bill McCluskey, Fiscal officer, present Jesse Baughman, fire chief, absent, Rhonda Lippy, zoning, present;

Guest: Ryan Lind- The Portager

I. MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA FOR 2/23/2023

Moved By: Diehl

Second: Jeffrey

Mr. Pfile: Yes

Mr. Diehl: Yes

Bixler: yes

II. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:

A. Trustee meeting 2/09/2023,

Moved By: Diehl

Second: Pfile

Mr. Pfile: Yes

Mr. Diehl: Yes

Bixler: abstain

B. Trustee special fire levy meeting 1/31/2023,

Moved By: Diehl

Second: Bixler

Mr. Pfile: Abstain

Mr. Diehl: Yes

Bixler: Yes

III. Correspondences

Jeffrey: Ohio industrial commission reports for Paulus and Leland cases. Census reports regarding township boundaries. Tim: shared proofs letter regarding tax levy from board of elections. short discussion. Chris reported good job on town hall painting.

IV. Old BUSINESS

Township door discussed regarding using Hartville Hardware bid.

Motion: Chris made motion to approve purchase from Hartville hardware for price of \$ 3124. 2nd by Tim. all trustees affirmative.

Tim asked Bill about BWC grant work. Bill said he entered to create and account. Bill said the tractor is on the unapproved list so would need to find a different Safety intervention equipment. Discuss possible cot lift for fire department. Fire department to follow up with pricing. Bill discussed there is a full list of procedures that must be taken and a safety rep from workers cop has to be assigned. reviewed grant is up to \$40000 grant but would require 20000 match.

Tim asked if any follow-up was done with vehicles for fire department. Jeffrey said \$375000 for new engine. Tim said he thought this was low, parts for old engine discussed, Chris mentioned need to consider brand new and what pricing would be. Jeffrey said same layout would be between 350 to 600 thousand. Also mentioned State bid.

Discussed other vehicle, chase vehicle as well. Mentioned Fire Show in Indianapolis, possible trustee to attend as well.

V. Trustee Report:

none

VI. Department Reports.

1. Roads: Painted town hall. Replaced exit sign town hall. Porter road needs french drain by bridge, will pursue with activities of country bridge repair. Evaluating trees in park for removal, Getting list of veterans graves together, hard copy typed u from poorly legible hand records. Checking against grave markers.

2. Fire: Chief Baughman reported EMS training will be held at Palmyra, geriatric trauma. March 6th training SE School Active Shooter classroom table top, Paris township. Shared Applications Kylee Phillips, EMT Basic, discussed application and information;

Jeffrey made motion to Hire Kylee Phillips as an EMT basic Seconded by Tim, after passing post offer testing required (may not need the physical due to recent) all trustee voted affirmative.

Shared information on another, Michael, discussed no certifications presently, discussed his case. Jesse wants to begin his training while he takes his classes beginning in June 2023. Trustees reviewed what he will be doing. Bill asked for clarification of staff status, would be paid at training rate for hours, basic training rate \$10.00.

Jeffrey made motion to accept Jacob Michael as an in training employee pending post offer testing. Seconded by Diehl. all votes affirmative.

David Ferree would like to return to the township fire department, as his work demands have been reduced and would like 2 shifts a month and try to fill in for open shift. Chris said he would make motion to accept hire with new application and meeting post offer testing. Jeffrey 2nd motion, All trustees affirmative vote.

Jesse reviewed pricing here received for some engines. Expressed activities on refurbishment, but Jeffrey interrupted, due to earlier discussion, and said to move to new engines. Jesse said it is about a 3 year wait, and a new cost is around \$750,000 to \$800,000. Bill asked what payment options were discussed, if they finance? Tim mentioned he is familiar with contract pricing later changing original amount as they are getting better deals, so contract must be solid in pricing, not negotiated later. Jesse said they lock in the price when contract is signed. Bill mentioned if the time line is that far out, we can work on holding funds for the purchase or down payment to reduce loan. Be asked about resale amount of engine we have. Tim mentioned setting up a fund for this. Different makes/brands were discussed in general as well as stainless steel frames.

3. Zoning: Rhonda Lippy reported needs motion to proceed on 3677 sr 14 to go to County Prosecutor about property cleanup.

Motion: Chris made a motion to move forward with a violation with prosecutor to get property cleaned up. Tim seconded. Bill asked what the specific citation would be for the record and resolution clarification. Rhonda to forward zoning violation number to Bill. She reported there are violations filed to two residences (Shill and Lapasky) for zoning violations. Edinburg tractor sign again discussed, not the front sign, but rather sign by highway. Chris said he talked with him. Rhonda said she prefers written communications. (Keiner (sp) Page 4-8-13 section n was reported as zoning violation later in meeting, so this will be **resolution 2023-007**)

4. Fiscal Officer: Bill presented the permanent appropriations suggested to the trustees for their review. He reviewed the formats and the fund, departments, and salaries project levels. He presented the full available resources are presented. Line items blocked in are not specifically for a specific item, but available to PO's, but not assigned (encumbered). Trustees mentioned they prefer it be appropriated now. He also reviewed the fire levy 2191, primarily salaries, but is being voted on this year. He said they may have to consider holding back on some fire spending for salaries in future until they know if levy passes. He reviewed all funds have less carry over compared to past years due to

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