

OHIO TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

April 8, 2024

The trustees met in regular session with all members present.

Also present were Asst Chief Jim Watkins, PTFD, Jason Barger, Sherry Mulla, Corp. Howard Glancy, CCSO, Les Smith and Emily Supinger

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mr. Vogelsang.

Mr. Hinson made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 11, 2024 regular meeting, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted "yea"

Sherry Mulla addressed the trustees regarding the county board of health and covid 19 vaccine concerns; also noted that SMMA legislation was repealed that has allegedly allowed the government to spread propaganda since then. Mr. Vogelsang noted that public interest in the vaccine boosters seems to be waning.

Asst. Chief Jim Watkins, PTFD gave his report (on file). Chief Watkins thanked the trustees for the get well card; reported that the estimate to build a new township facility came in at \$30m, so the township is looking at less costly options. Thanked Lindale Auto Parts for donating scrap cars to test new equipment on. Four new employees have been hired; salary survey is ongoing; spring hydrant flushing will begin soon. Mr. Hinson asked why the response time was longer for the firetruck at station 45 compared to station 44; response was likely due to the destination of the call being further away.

Cpl. Howard Glancy, CCSO: gave his report (on file).

Les Smith gave his report (on file). Reported that two estimates have been received for demolishing the structure at 2858 SR 132. Emily Supinger reported that the land bank has not yet approved their demolition grant list, and that the property at 2858 SR 132 has been sold by the county for \$10,198. Les Smith will contact the new owner and make them aware of the nuisance declaration.

Jason Barger gave his maintenance report (on file). Reported that a small roof leak has been repaired that was caused by a faulty previous attempt to repair the leak. Mr. Hinson noted that the cracks in the tennis courts are getting worse. Emily Supinger will look at possible conflicts of interest with Houck Asphalt. Jason Barger will look for quotes from other vendors. Reported that AJ's Lawn Service quote was the same price as last year.

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OLD BUSINESS: None

Mr. Hinson asked about the generator disposal. Bill Gilpin reported that he and Jason Barger have not yet gotten together on it.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Liquor Control Letter: Bill Gilpin noted receiving the annual letter regarding liquor permit renewals. As there are no known complaints no action was taken.

NEW BUSINESS:

CDBG Resolution:

Mr. Hinson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-39 authorizing Ms. Niehaus to apply for the CDBG grant for new picnic tables. Seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, all members voted “yea”

Emily Supinger reported that the zoning resolution would allow for marijuana dispensaries if not changed; options would be to prohibit, limit the number of dispensaries, establish marijuana dispensary zoning guidelines or simply allow them in the township. If the desire was to regulate them it should be done sooner rather than later. Mr. Hinson noted that since the voters have spoken he does not have a problem allowing a dispensary. Ms. Niehaus agreed. Mr. Vogelsang indicated he is ok with either approach. The consensus was to leave the zoning as is and address at a later date if necessary.

Mr. Vogelsang again asked about the structure at 2858 SR 132. Emily Supinger noted that the township will have to start the process all over again since it has been sold.

Mr. Hinson asked Bill Gilpin about the SLFRF reporting problem; response was that the case that was opened has gone unanswered and so far a working phone number for ARPA issues has not been found.

Mr. Hinson asked about the Chevrolet squad title issue. Bill Gilpin reported that the county says the title was never transferred to the township; will get with Dave O'Connor to be sure that the title wasn't received before contacting the previous owner.

Ms. Niehaus reported that the CCSO will have a deputy at the meetings moving forward; the park grant has been applied for and the CDBG grant application will be submitted after this meeting.

Mr. Vogelsang asked Jason Barger if the duct work at the township hall is being fixed; answer was yes the supplies are on hand, just waiting for drier weather. Mr. Hinson suggested the duct work be encapsulated like the previous version was.
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Mr. Vogelsang asked Jason Barger how the maintenance on the squads was going; answer was good overall, the Chevrolet will go in the shop soon to repair an exhaust leak.

There was discussion on timing for the township to consider purchasing a new squad. Chief Watkins noted that the current lead time from Horton is 30 months and the estimated cost is \$335k.

Fund balances were discussed.

The following were read and approved with warrants written for same: (payment summary on following page).

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to adjourn at 8:01pm, seconded by Mr. Hinson. All members voted "yea"