# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR SESSION

On February 3, 2020 the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, UNION COUNTY, OHIO convened in regular session at 7:00 pm in the LIBERTY TOWNSHIP MEETING ROOM. Jerry McClary opened the meeting and Fiscal Officer Jeff Rea led in the pledge of allegiance. The following members and guest were present:

MEMBERS: Karen Johnson – present, Jack McCoy-present, Jerry McClary – present, Jeff Rea – present.

EMPLOYEES: Lloyd Segner, Jerry Welch, Dave Thomas

VISITORS: Tim Hines, Mariah Hines, Kim Zacharias, Sal Petrovia, Andrea Weaver

## Audience questions/comments

Kim Zacharias was present to announce her campaign for Union County Commissioner Sal Petrovia was present to announce his campaign for Union County Recorder Mariah Hines was present and pointed out that she was covering the meeting as a reporter for the Union County Daily Digital news source.

County Auditor Andrea Weaver was present to bring information on the soon to expire PSO levy and what the options were. A renewal 1 mill levy would generate \$62,379 and a replacement would generate \$69,633.

## **Meeting Minutes**

The Trustees reviewed the minutes of the January 20 meeting Jack McCoy moved to accept the minutes of the meeting seconded by Karen Johnson. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Karen Johnson-aye.

## **Financial report**

Fiscal officer Jeff Rea presented the financial reports for the month that ended December 31, 2019. Jack McCoy moved to accept the financial reports as presented, Karen Johnson seconded the motion. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Karen Johnson-aye.

## Sheriff's report

A deputy was present to ask If there were any issues that needed addressed in the Township. No new issues were reported.

## Maintenance department report

Activities during October as reported by Jerry Welch:

-Cleaned the community building
-Fixed light at the Post Office
-Worked on tile on Barnett and Patrick Brush Run roads
-Cleaned meeting room and bathroom
-Stocked supplies at the community building
-Cleaned up trucks
-so far used 6 tons of salt

He also reported that John Cooper will be involved in laying the block for the new dugout at the ball field

## **Fire Department Report**

Fire Chief Lloyd Segner reported that there were 40 total incidents during December with 31 being EMS runs, 1 fire run, and 8 motor vehicle accidents.

EMS refresher courses are being held at the station to allow all medical providers the continuing education required to maintain certification.

Dave Thomas updated the Board on the fire district discussion. If everything goes smoothly at the Taylor Township meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> the official signing of resolutions for the district will be on February 19<sup>th</sup> at the Community Building

## Zoning department report

Chad Herriott reported that he had 16 emails and 9 phone calls. He had some questions about lot splits, property classification from an appraiser, and from a potential property buyer on Benton Road concerning owning 3 dogs.

## Keckley

None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

There was discussion about the remaining balance owed to Larry Zimmerman and Gregg Stubbs. There has been resistance from Jerry McClary about signing the checks because they feel that the study was not completed in the time frame outlined in the contract. Jeff Rea suggested that a face to face meeting be held with them to discuss this.

#### **New Business**

Jerry McClary made a motion that Liberty Township adopt in its entirety the joint resolution to create the Northwestern Joint Fire District, and that the resolution be incorporated by reference into the minutes of this meeting. The motion was seconded by Jack McCoy. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Karen Johnson-aye.

Jerry McClary made a motion that the Liberty Township Trustees officially sign the resolution on February 19, 2020 and that a fully executed copy of the resolution be attached to the official minutes of this meeting. The motion was seconded by Jack McCoy. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Karen Johnson-aye.

Discussion began about how to transfer assets to the district from Liberty Township Fire Department. There was debate about whether to donate or lease the equipment to the new district. Karen is hesitant to do this without a levy for the district in place and if donating the equipment is fair to the Township. Jack McCoy made a motion to donate the equipment to the district, seconded by Jerry McClary. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye, Karen Johnson-aye.

## **Pay Bills**

The January bills as recorded by the Fiscal Officer were: Warrants 10389-10426 payments, withholding, and payroll vouchers 1-61. Jerry McClary moved to accept the payments as made. Jack McCoy seconded the motion. A vote was taken- Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye.

## Adjourn

Being no additional business to come before the Board, Jack McCoy moved to adjourn. Jerry McClary seconded the motion. A vote was taken- Karen Johnson-aye, Jerry McClary-aye, Jack McCoy-aye. The meeting was adjourned until March 2, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the LIBERTY TOWNSHIP MEETING ROOM.

Minutes were approved and signed

Jerry McClary-Chairman

Jeff Rea-Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, UNION COUNTY, OHIO 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.