

## OHIO TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

October 14, 2019

The trustees met in regular session with all members present.

Also present were Chief Craig Light, PTFD, Frank Renn, Ronald McGlone, Larry Bramlage, Dave O'Connor, Dwain Forder, Monroe Twp. Trustee, Chief Steve Downey, MTFD, Gale Tinsley, County Commissioner David Painter, Kimberly Boardman, State Representative John Becker, Emily Supinger and Les Smith.

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

***Mr. Polster made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 16, 2019 regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted “yea”***

***Mr. Polster made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 24, 2019 special meeting, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted “yea”***

Kimberly Boardman spoke to the board of trustees expressing her concerns about safety and health issues of 5G technology that will soon be installed in our area. She asked the trustees to be creative in coming up with ways to resist or deny 5G installations. Emily Supinger explained that the Ohio legislature has passed laws that prohibit townships and municipalities from regulating or prohibiting 5G installations; also noted that the federal government has passed FCC regulations that in some cases supersede the state regulations. Commissioner Painter asked why the state was sued over 5G issues. Emily Supinger replied that it was over erosion of local control.

State Representative John Becker reported that he is running for county commissioner.

Monroe Township Trustee Dwain Forder and MTFD Chief Steve Downey spoke to the board of trustees about the 2002 Ford squad that is scheduled to be sold soon, asking if there was any way possible to work out a deal to purchase it for less than what the township had previously offered, offering \$2,000 for it. Mr. Vogelsang noted that he would like to think about it before committing. Mr. Polster asked Dave O'Connor how much has been spent preparing it for sale; reply was no money just time cleaning it up. Mr. Hinson noted that he was in favor of being a good neighbor and selling it to MTFD. After discussion the consensus was to sell the 2002 Ford squad to Monroe Township Fire Department for \$2,000.

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***Mr. Hinson made a motion to sell the 2002 Ford squad to MTFD for \$2,000, seconded by Mr. Polster. All members voted "yea"***

Emily Supinger will prepare a resolution for next month's meeting to facilitate the sale.

Chief Wright, PTFD, gave his report (on file). The all hazards mitigation plan has been submitted to the state for review. Mr. Polster asked what was going on with the lack of lighting on the high wires and stacks at the former Beckjord Station. Chief Wright reported that the FAA has given them a one year exemption due to poor conditions that will expire next month.

Cpl. Feilhauer, CCSO: Absent, no report

Les Smith gave his zoning report (on file).

Dave O'Connor maintenance report: Still waiting to hear from Morton Salt how much road salt we will be getting, hoping for 160 tons. Reported that the Chestnut Lane project will begin within the next week. Mr. Hinson noted that the recent tree work performed looks great.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

*GovDeals Update:* Bill Gilpin reported that the township's application to be a seller on GovDeals has been approved.

*Liability Insurance Renewal:* Bill Gilpin reported that our liability insurance policy has been renewed.

*EnerGov Update:* Bill Gilpin reported receiving paperwork from the county stating that the software implementation will begin soon.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** An opioid class action lawsuit letter received was reviewed by Emily Supinger; no action taken.

Bill Gilpin read aloud a letter of resignation from Trustee Polster effective October 31, 2019 due to health reasons. A second letter recommending Kathy Waldeck or Emily Neihaus as his replacement was also read aloud. Emily Supinger explained that the township will run a notice in the paper and accept resumes from interested individuals with a new trustee needing to be named by the end of November. After accepting Mr. Polster's letter of resignation Mr. Hinson and Mr. Vogelsang thanked Mr. Polster for his service to the township.

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

*Rumpke Service Agreement for Dumpster:* Bill Gilpin reported that Mr. Hinson contacted Rumpke and was able to get the new price for dumpster service lowered by almost \$12 per month. Mr. Hinson reported that approximately 25% of township residents are currently using Rumpke's recycling service.

*Annual Fire Contract:* Bill Gilpin reported that he and Chief Wright have agreed on a 1.8% increase in the annual fire protection contract with Pierce Twp. that brings the total amount due for 2019 to \$77,000 and asked for a motion to approve the payment.

***Mr. Polster made a motion to pay the annual fire contract invoice in the amount of \$77,000, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"***

Mr. Vogelsang asked Dave O'Connor how the recent paving project went. Dave O'Connor reported that it went very well.

Mr. Vogelsang asked about the gas piping letter the township received last month. Emily Supinger stated that she will check her notes and report next month.

Mr. Vogelsang asked for more information about an email received regarding land use plans. Mr. Hinson noted that the township historically has relied on the county land use plan rather than adopt one at the township level.

Mr. Polster asked about the pavement condition on the section of Jett Hill Rd. that is in the township. It was noted that Jett Hill is a county road and not our responsibility to maintain.

Mr. Hinson noted that the county has finally performed much needed repairs on Mt. Pisgah Road.

***Mr. Hinson made a motion to enter into executive session at 7:17pm in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)3 to discuss pending litigation, seconded by Mr. Polster. All members voted "yea"***

*The meeting returned to regular session at 7:40pm with roll call. Mr. Hinson "present", Mr. Polster "present", Mr. Vogelsang "present"*

***Mr. Hinson made a motion to authorize township defense counsel Larry Barbiere to negotiate and finalize a settlement of case 2019-CVH-00787, seconded by Mr. Polster. All members voted "yea"***

Mr. Hinson distributed an email received from Julia at seniorlivinghelp.org requesting the township put a link to them on our website.

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Mr. Hinson reported that we will need to publish an article on our website about storm water to be compliant with annual regulations.

Fund balances were discussed.

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

***Mr. Hinson made a motion to adjourn at 7:43pm, seconded by Mr. Polster. All members voted “yea”***