

OHIO TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

October 12, 2020

The trustees met in regular session with all members present.

Also present was Cindy Cassell, Ron McGlone, Pamela Lindeman of Clermont County Child Focus, Les Smith and Emily Supinger

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

Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 14, 2020 regular meeting, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted "yea"

Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 17, 2020 special meeting, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted "yea"

Pamela Lindeman of Clermont County Child Focus spoke about the upcoming mental health levy renewal on the November ballot along with the childrens' services and senior services renewal levies.

Les Smith gave his zoning report (on file): Asked the trustees to consider declaring the Williams property at 2883 St. Rt. 132 a nuisance. Mr. Hinson asked if the township would be responsible for storage costs of any vehicles or boats towed. Emily Supinger replied no, that they would be salvaged. Emily Supinger noted that she would work with Les Smith to prepare a 30 day notice to send out and that the trustees could pass a nuisance resolution at a future meeting if necessary. Les Smith reported receiving complaints from property owners at Laze Days campground who want more than one camper per lot, which is in conflict with township zoning. Emily Supinger noted that the campground is located on property zoned business and that the owners could form a HOA and make rules that would supercede our zoning code; it is also possible for that the township zoning commission could recommend a new zoning district and then if approved add the campground to the new district. Les Smith reported that there is a wedding venue called Honeysuckle Ranch located at 1297 Wilson Dunham Rd. that is located in an R1 residential zoning district. It was noted that the property would need a zoning change or variance granted in order to comply with zoning regulations. The county and fire department are also involved in the situations. Mr. Hinson noted that there is property on Bethel New Richmond Rd. that may be developed into a subdivision that would require annexation into the village for acquiring sewer service.

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Department Reports: Due to the corona virus situation the fire department and maintenance department reports were submitted in writing and are on file. Cpl. Feilhauer reported a light month on calls for service in the township.

Mr. Hinson noted that he would like to upgrade the restrooms at the park concession stand along with the other restrooms already scheduled for upgrading.

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to upgrade the restrooms at the park concession to touchless fixtures at a cost not to exceed \$5,000, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"

OLD BUSINESS:

Septic System Remedation: Ms. Niehaus provided information on registered septic system contractors provided by the county board of health. It was decided to request quotes from SOS, Gray's Excavating and Howerton Construction.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Amended Appropriations: Bill Gilpin noted that there is an appropriations resolution that adds the revenue received for the newly created Coronavirus Relief Fund.

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-75 amending appropriations, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted "yea"

CARES Act Monies: Bill Gilpin explained that the township has received \$125,505.42 in CARES Act money. All expenses must be encumbered by November 21 and the money expended by December 30, 2020. Any unused money must be returned to the county auditor in January 2021. All expenses must be necessary for Covid 19 mitigation; also must be documented and in some cases a legal opinion or written narrative explaining the expense must be included with the payment information for audit purposes. There was discussion on items needing to be purchased with the CARES Act money. Items discussed were touchless bathroom fixtures, turnout gear and a touchless CPR machine for the fire department, hvac systems for the firehouse and township hall that will use ultraviolet light to sanitize the air going through the system and touchless entry door modifications. Any remaining money may be used to pay a portion of the fire services contract with Pierce Township as all public safety payroll and benefits are eligible expenses.

Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to purchase 10 sets of turnout gear from Vogelpohl Fire Equipment in the amount of \$33,550.00, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted "yea"

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Ms. Niehaus made a motion to purchase a touchless CPR machine from Henry Schein in the amount of \$8,050.00, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted “yea”

Mr. Vogelsang reviewed quotes received from Kellerman Heating and Air One for replacement hvac systems that would be eligible for using the CARES Act money due to the systems moving much more air and having an internal ultraviolet light to sanitize the air as it passes through the system. Mr. Vogelsang noted that the systems included the specifications requested and an “apples to apples” comparison. Kellerman Heating and Cooling quoted \$43,490 and Air One Heating and Cooling quoted \$36,549. Ms. Niehaus asked about the warranty length. Mr. Vogelsang referred to the quotes for warranty information.

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to accept the bid from Air One Heating and Cooling in the amount of \$36,549, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang. All members voted “yea”

Mr. Vogelsang reported that some people are having issues with the voicemail system following the update from Cincinnati Bell.

Mr. Hinson reported that Greg Roberts has successfully added Samaritan Cemetery to the National Park Service Network to Freedom Sites and thanked him for doing so.

Mr. Hinson reported that the county is getting bids for repairs on 12 mile road.

Mr. Hinson noted that Duke Energy will not be bringing the new gas main through Ohio Township, but that system upgrades will be taking place throughout the township. The trustees will meet individually with Duke Energy on the project.

Fund balances were discussed.

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

Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to adjourn at 7:53pm, seconded by Ms. Niehaus. All members voted “yea”