## **OHIO TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES**

January 3, 2023

The trustees met in special session at 9:00am with all members present.

The meeting was called to order by the 2022 chair, Ms. Niehaus, who turned the meeting over to the fiscal officer who called for nominations for chairman. *Ms. Niehaus made a motion to nominate Mr. Hinson, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, all members voted "yea"*.

The meeting was turned over to Mr. Hinson, who called for nominations for vice chairman. Ms. Niehaus made a motion to nominate Mr. Vogelsang, seconded by Mr. Hinson, all members voted "yea".

Ms. Niehaus made a motion that the regular meeting night and time continue on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 6:30pm. Seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, all members voted "yea".

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to publish financial report and legal ads in the Clermont Sun, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, all members voted "yea".

Ms. Niehaus made a motion that road work be done by force account except in case of major resurfacing which will be advertised for bids. Seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, all members voted "yea".

Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to authorize the fiscal officer to make any necessary intra-fund line item transfers throughout the year. Seconded by Ms. Niehaus, all members voted "yea".

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to pay park help \$85 per month seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, all members voted "yea".

There was discussion on the cost of living increase for 2023. The consensus was to increase salaries by 5.9% for David O'Connor and Les Smith.

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to continue Les Smith as Zoning Inspector and to increase his salary to \$850 per month, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, all members voted "vea".

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to continue Emily Supinger of Strauss Troy as Legal Counsel and to increase her contract to \$1525 per month plus expenses, and to pay 75% from the General Fund and 25% from the Fire/EMS Fund, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, all members voted "yea".

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Ms. Niehaus made a motion to continue David O'Connor as Maintenance Superintendent and to increase his salary to \$70,639 and to pay 3 months salary out of the Road and Bridge Fund, 3 months salary from the Gas Tax Fund, 3 months salary out of the General Fund and 3 months salary from the Fire/EMS Fund for 2023, seconded by Mr. Hinson, all members voted "yea".

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to pay all three trustees 9 months salary from the General Fund and 3 months salary from the Road & Bridge Fund. Seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, all members voted "yea".

Ms. Niehaus made a motion that all related employer obligations of OPERS and Medicare be paid from the fund the salary is paid from, seconded by Mr. Hinson, all members voted "yea".

Mr. Vogelsang made a motion to set mileage outside the township at \$.655 per mile, seconded by Ms. Niehaus, all members voted "yea".

Mr. Hinson made a motion to continue Chief Wright, PTFD, as Ohio Township's fire inspector. Seconded by Ms. Niehaus, all members voted "yea".

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to use regular and/or super blanket certificates when applicable for purchases, with a limit of \$25,000.00 per certificate. Seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, all members voted "yea".

Ms. Niehaus made a motion to adjourn at 9:47am, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, all members voted "yea"