

Town Hall

August 21, 2020

Chairman Mueller called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. Trustee Gabram was present and Trustee Port was not present. Trustee Assistant Melissa Palmer was present and Fiscal Officer Karen Walder was not present.

The following Department Heads were present: Police Chief Tim Carroll and Fire Chief John Frazier.

CLERK PRO TEM: In the absence of a Fiscal Officer, Board of Trustees Chairman Jim Mueller appoints Jennifer Dorka to serve as clerk pro tem.

MILLER DODSON: REPLACEMENT RESERVE REPORT: *Mr. Gabram made the motion to accept the Replacement Reserve Report Fiscal Year 2020 prepared by Miller-Dodson Associates and authorize the Fiscal Officer to implement the findings. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed.*

APT CPFIM: *Mr. Gabram made the motion to approve the attendance by Fiscal Officer Karen Walder of the online program Certified Public Funds Investment Manager (CPFIM) Certification on August 18-19, 2020 for a cost of \$299.00. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed.*

2021 BUDGET: Mr. Gabram stated that the Budget Commission did not approve the Township's 2021 budget. He stated that the Township was meeting the needs but not spending the money. Mr. Gabram stated they will be going back to the Budget Commission on August 31st and justify what the Township is going to do and will get everything straightened out.

Mr. Mueller stated that the Township is very conservative and with COVID, decided to slow down on the projects that were planned for 2020. Mr. Mueller stated the Budget Commission is going to give guidance on how to correct the problem. Mr. Mueller stated the Township is now going to have to spend time and money on some of the projects and try and get them underway this year.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC WERE RECEIVED

COUNTY LINE ROAD UPDATE: Mr. Gabram stated that he, Mr. Layne, Mrs. Walder and Todd Raskin met with a couple of residents, their attorneys, and the Geauga County engineers. He stated he believes they came up with a workable solution to the driveway discussion that is reasonable for everyone. More work and discussion is required before a decision can be reached.

FIRE DEPT: Chief Frazier stated that the mutual FEMA AFG grant he went in on with Chesterland was approved and will have the opportunity to replace the portable radios. The total will be around \$93,000.00 to replace them. The Township is responsible for 10% of the cost.

Chief Frazier gave an update on the new pumper. Chief Frazier stated that the pumper is in engineering now and had a few minor tweaks. He received another email with a few more minor tweaks but none of them are added costs. Chief Frazier stated they are a little behind and looking like he will be receiving it in December instead of November.

POLICE DEPT: Chief Carroll updated the Trustees on delivery of the new cruiser, which is now anticipated to be October or November.

Chief Carroll stated he applied for additional vest grant through the Ohio Attorney General's Office and was approved on August 18, 2020. This grant amount is \$3,858.75 for a grand total of \$7,166.25 so far this year. Chief Carroll stated that the Township pays 25% and the grant covers 75% of the cost for the vests.

PURCHASE ORDERS AND BILLS WERE APPROVED AS ATTACHED.

Mr. Gabram made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm.

Jim Mueller, Chairman

Karen Walder, Fiscal Officer

Recorded by: J. Sustar