

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

SHARON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

REGULAR SESSION HELD AT

Held

95 E. Wilson Bridge Road

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February 5, 2020

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The meeting began at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call:	Laura Kunze, Chair	Present
	John Oberle, Vice Chair	Present
	Lindsay Duffey, Trustee	Present
	Tony Palmer, Fiscal Officer	Present

Pledge of Allegiance

Guest Speakers: None

Attendance: Chief Donald Schwind, Lt. Jeff Tuchfarber, Road Superintendent Tom Kayati, Exterior Property Maintenance Code Enforcement Director Mark Higdon, Worthington Fire & EMS Division Chief John Bailot, Assistant Fire Chief Zambito

Residents: Bill Ash, Don Dale, Kathy and Dan Walters, Rich Fowler, Kay Smith, Justin Adkins

Approval of Agenda

Lindsay Duffey moved to approve the agenda as amended. Chair Kunze seconded. The motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Bailot provided an update on the Worthington Fire & EMS Division. The Division covers property in Sharon Township, Perry Township, Worthington, and Riverlea. Chief Bailot estimated that 80 percent of the Division's runs are for EMS, with the remaining 20 percent for fire. In Sharon Township in 2019, there were 59 calls for service for fire and 340 calls for EMS. In 2018, there were 70 calls for fire and 295 for EMS.

The Division is working on a transition to NREC for dispatching service. The transition will occur on July 6. Residents should expect the same quality of response; the change is only in the dispatch service.

Chief Bailot described the Division's plans for success for new hires for training. He also informed the Board that the Division recently took delivery of a new medic unit. Additionally, the Division has been working on renovations to make areas in the Division's building more modern.

Finally Chief Bailot announced that this would be his last meeting at the Township. He submitted his resignation to the City of Worthington after accepting a position in Illinois. He expressed gratitude in working with the Township. Assistant Chief Zambito has been appointed the interim chief. The Trustees thanked Chief Bailot for his service and partnership through his tenure.

RESIDENT COMMENTS

Dan Walters asked Chief Bailot about the rescue water ramp at 410 W. South Street. Chief Bailot advised that the City's law director was working on the issue.

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TRUSTEES**Old Business****Water District**

Chair Kunze will be attending a kickoff planning meeting on Monday with the Engineer, who will be reaching out to Road Superintendent Tom Kayati about the plans for the project.

Strategic Plan

No update.

Olentangy Valley Center

John Oberle met with the Worthington City Manager and Law Director on the tax increment financing agreement. The City and the Township are taking a thoughtful look at the agreement. Mr. Oberle anticipates that there will be a couple comments on the agreement and that he is working to complete the agreement.

General Fund Sustainability

John Oberle mentioned that one of the biggest decisions facing the general fund is with the use of the Township building. He believes that the Board will be looking into making thoughtful decisions within the year.

Facilities Options

Fiscal Officer Tony Palmer is meeting with Chair Kunze to review the needs assessment prepared by Township resident Jack Hedge.

New Business**Newsletter**

Lindsay Duffey will add to the newsletter an article on the fire safety programs provided by the City of Worthington. Articles should be submitted by the end of the week.

FISCAL OFFICER**Old Business**

None.

New Business

None.

POLICE DEPARTMENT**Old Business****Purchase of New Cruiser**

Chief Schwind met with Chair Kunze this morning to discuss the request further. Chair Kunze asked to have a few scenarios presented before deciding the matter. Lieutenant Tuchfarber indicated that the Department was waiting on the light bar to outfit the Chief's cruiser.

New Business**Resignation of Constable Micheal Aisel**

Chief Schwind presented to the Board the resignation letter from Constable Micheal Aisel. She was offered a position with the City of Worthington. February 23 will be Constable Aisel's last day with the Township. Chair Kunze moved to accept Constable Aisel's resignation. Lindsay Duffey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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Change of Uniform Colors

Lieutenant Tuchfarber presented his proposal to switch the color of the Department's uniforms from white to dark blue. He told the Board that the change was proposed to reduce costs, as the white shirts were becoming more expensive. The change would be effective in May. Lindsay Duffey moved to approve the change. John Oberle seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ROAD DEPARTMENT**New Business****Annual Highway Mileage Certification**

Road Superintendent Tom Kayati advised that the Township must certify annually to the Ohio Department of Transportation the highway mileage in the Township. John Oberle moved to approve the certification that was presented by Mr. Kayati, contingent on the confirmation of the properties listed. Lindsay Duffey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Old Business**RKW Sanitary Sewer**

The Sanitary Engineer is still working on plans for the project. Mr. Kayati is not sure if the plans will include a lift or pump station or a gravity feed.

New Business (resumed)**Road/Cemetery Fund Reconciliation**

John Oberle provided an overview of the reconciliation that was conducted of the Township's Road and Cemetery funds. He explained that there was a discrepancy between the amount that should have been charged and paid by the Cemetery to the fund. The problem had been identified and was corrected within the year. Mr. Oberle advised that the Cemetery Board had accepted the reconciliation and would be issuing payment to the Township.

Mr. Oberle told the Board that he will be working with Worthington's Law Director to update the contract. Based on the findings in the reconciliation, the Cemetery Board would like to look back two additional years.

EXTERIOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE**New Business****Variance Hearing at the Board of Zoning Appeals**

Code Enforcement Director Mark Higdon provided an update on pending cases. He met with the Prosecutor's Office to review a few properties.

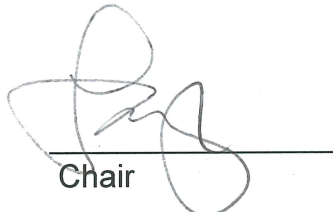
Approval of Meeting Minutes

Lindsay Duffey moved to approve the January 22, 2020 meeting minutes. John Oberle seconded the motion. The motion carried.

With no further business to bring before the Board, John Oberle moved to adjourn the regular meeting, Lindsay Duffey seconded. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

2/19/2020

Date



Chair



Fiscal Officer

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