

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 _____ 20 _____
 January 20, 2021

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The meeting began at 6:30 p.m.

*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and pursuant to H.B. 404, the meeting was held via web conference, which was available to residents via a web login or a call-in option in order to participate in the meeting.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Guest Speakers: None

Attendance: Chief Donald Schwind (via web), Road Superintendent Tom Kayati (via web), Lt. Jeff Tuchfarber (via web)

Residents: Bill Ash, Pat Kelly

Approval of Agenda

Lindsay Duffey moved to approve the agenda as amended. John Oberle seconded. The motion carried.

RESIDENT COMMENTS

None.

TRUSTEES**Old Business****Water District – Update**

The Mount Air Water District Board will hold its quarterly meeting on January 26 at 6:00 p.m. At the meeting, the Water District Board will need to appoint an equalization board to resolve a dispute. The equalization board will likely be meeting early- to mid-February.

The bid for construction on the project came in less than expected. Construction could potentially start in late March or early April.

Strategic Plan – Update

None.

OVC JEDD / TIF Agreements - Update

The JEDD contract is signed by the Township. The Worthington City Manager is likely to sign the week of January 17. There is a 30-day referendum period after the agreement is signed, which is likely to run through February 19. There will be a five-member board, and the Board of Trustees will need to make appointments. The Township anticipates taxes to come in higher than estimates.

The Township is waiting to sign the TIF agreement, and is trying to align the signature of the agreement with the implementation of the JEDD.

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Facilities Options – Update

In February and March, the Board will invite commercial realtors to attend the Township meetings to continue discussions regarding the potential sale of the current building and options for the current building.

Flooding - Update

None.

Fire Services Contract with the City of Worthington – Update

The City of Worthington wants to amend the contract that was negotiated in 1993. The City maintains that the Township contributes to 14 percent of the calls for service to the Division of Fire & EMS. The City also maintains that costs have doubled since the contract was entered and that the tax collections have been reduced. The Township will likely have a working group to address Worthington's request.

Police Chief Transition – Update

The Township will be delivering a letter to residents announcing Chief Schwind's retirement. The Trustees discussed how to get input from residents on the next Township Chief of Police. The Board discussed dedicating 30 to 40 minutes per meeting to discuss the transition process. The Board also agreed that residents could benefit from hearing from Lt. Tuchfarber as he discusses his vision for the Department. The plan would be to solicit comments from residents and present a good transition plan.

The Trustees will ask volunteers to distribute letters to residents. The elected officials will also be reaching out to the Township Constables to get their input.

Communications

The Township is working on updating the website. There is a new calendar with the 2021 meeting dates. The meeting dates through April are listed as virtual, with the Board evaluating the matter later. The Township also posted to the website the trash and recycling update that was included in the Newsletter.

The Board set a goal of submitting articles for the next newsletter by the next meeting. There was also a general discussion regarding someone who expressed interest in paying for an advertisement in the newsletter.

FISCAL OFFICER**Old Business****Cemetery Fund Reconciliation 2013 and 2014 – Update**

No update.

New Business**December 2020 Cardmember Service Statement**

Tony Palmer presented the Cardmember Service statement for December 2020. Chair Kunze will sign the attestation form.

Financial Management Reports for November and December 2020

Tony Palmer presented the following reports for November and December 2020: Fund Summary, Revenue Summary, Appropriation Summary, Payment Listing, and Bank Reconciliation.

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Year End Process

The Township is completing the year end process for 2020, which must be completed by the end of February.

POLICE DEPARTMENT**New Business****Request to Promote Constable Tylor Pimental to Step C Pay Grade**

Constable Pimental started with the Township in October 2018. Chief Schwind indicated that Constable Pimental is ready to go to step C. Chief Schwind requested that the Board approve the promotion of Constable Pimental to step C, beginning January 14.

Lindsay Duffey moved to approve the promotion of Constable Pimental to step C beginning January 14. Laura Kunze seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Request to Promote Constable George Pearon to Step A Pay Grade

Constable Pearon is the Township's newest hire and started in October 2020. Constable Pearon completed his field training. Chief Schwind requested that the Board approve the promotion of Constable Pearon to step A, beginning January 14.

Laura Kunze moved to approve the promotion of Constable Pearon to step A, beginning January 14. Lindsay Duffey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Dispatching Contract with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office

The Township has contracted with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office for several years for dispatching services. The Sheriff's Office sent the Township a new contract for a two-year term. The cost increase is from \$9.75 per call to \$11.80 per call. The agreement would be effective January 1. Chief Schwind recommended that the Board approve the agreement.

John Oberle moved to approve the dispatching agreement with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. Lindsay Duffey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Unmarked Vehicle

The Police Department took possession of the unmarked vehicle today.

Sgt. Dendiu First-Line Supervision Training

Sergeant Dendiu is participating in first-line supervision training this week. The Police Department is looking for additional training for Sergeant Dendiu.

Certification for Compliance with Presidential Order

The Township recently received certification that the Township is in compliance with the President's Executive Order regarding the use of force and safe policing.

ROAD DEPARTMENT**Old Business****Highview Drive Guardrail – Update**

None.

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RKW Sanitary Sewer – Update

None.

New Business

Freightliner Truck Repair

The Road Department will need to have repair service for one of its trucks. Road Superintendent Tom Kayati was not sure how much the repairs will be, but indicated that the repairs would likely be greater than \$1,000. The truck needs to be in service because it is used for snow removal. Tom Kayati asked the Board to approve the repair service not to exceed \$2,000.

Laura Kunze moved to approve the repair service not to exceed \$2,000. Lindsay Duffey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Lindsay Duffey moved to approve the January 6, 2021 meeting minutes. John Oberle seconded the motion. The motion carried.

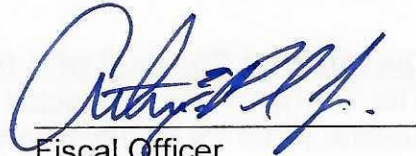
With no further business to bring before the Board, John Oberle moved to adjourn the regular meeting, Lindsay Duffey seconded. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

2/3/2021

Date



Chair



Fiscal Officer