

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Lawrence Township Trustees

Regular Meeting

Held March 25, 2021

The Trustees of Lawrence Township met in regular session at 7:00PM. in the Charles E. Lundenberger Memorial Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Haueter. All Trustees were present.

Minutes Approved.

The above bills were approved by the Board and checks were written.

PUBLIC SPEAKS

Fire Chief Lynch presented the trustees with the Agreement between Lawrence Township and Bolivar Volunteer Fire Department with Village of Bolivar and Zoar as additional parties for January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Lynch indicated that the Bolivar Fire Department and Village of Zoar have signed the agreement.

RESOLUTIONS

Haueter made a motion and seconded by Ritterbeck to approve **Resolution 16-21** for Fire Department agreement. Roll call, Ritterbeck yes, Haueter yes, and Ackerman yes. Motion by Haueter and seconded by Ackerman to approve **Resolution 15-21** Authorizing Participation in the ODOT Road Salt Contract awarded in 2021. Roll call, Ritterbeck yes, Haueter yes, and Ackerman yes.

MEETING

Ackerman advised that he and McNutt attended the deposition for Kinder Morgan. He was advised that they will be having a meeting next month with the judge and attorneys. Ackerman & McNutt felt the meeting went well. Haueter read a letter from Volunteer Energy regarding the gas aggregation, there was an increase of \$.0715 per Ccf and Volunteer Energy has no alternative and must abide by the increase tariff rate structure imposed by Columbia Gas Transmission effective February 1, 2021. **Motion** by Haueter and seconded by Ritterbeck to allow Tusky Valley Baseball/Softball to use CMA Fields #1 and #2 and Sundheimer Field for 2021. Roll call, Ritterbeck yes, Haueter yes, and Ackerman yes. **Motion** by Ritterbeck and seconded by Ackerman to participate in the 2021 Yard Waste Host Site Block Grant Agreement with the Joint Solid Waste Manage District. Roll call, Ritterbeck yes, Haueter yes, and Ackerman yes. Trustees discussed the maintenance of the Wilkshire Walking Trail and will subcontract out the spraying of the parking lot and trail. **Motion** by Ritterbeck and seconded by Ackerman to sign a letter for Friends of the Tuscarawas County Parks in support of the Towpath Trail Extension Project 1. Roll call, Ritterbeck yes, Haueter yes, and Ackerman yes. Ritterbeck thanked Zoning Inspector Weekley on a great job handling the commercial lot for sale along St. Rt. 212. Road Superintendent McNutt states that all road and signs were checked. Road paving was adjusted and submitted. Still looking for summer help, discussion on selling of two trucks to purchase one new tabled till next meeting. Weekley advised new Zoning Regulations go into effect April 4, 2021, May 3, 2021 Zoning Commission meeting will have guest speaker Jill Lengler from Tuscarawas County Regional Planning, after looking into the matter further it was determined that it is against zoning regulations to build storage facility in a commercial district.

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The potential buyer of the property can apply for a Board of Zoning Appeals hearing, but according to the O.R.C. would have to prove hardship existed, and there are several permits that are being issued. Ann Ackerman provided trustees with an addition to the Employee Handbook regarding Driving Record Acceptability per OTARMA. Trustees will review. Trustee Ackerman extended sympathy on behalf of the township for Hans Fischer, Zoar council member, who is in the hospital at this time. Haueter thanked the Bolivar Fire Department in their handling of the house fire on Park Ave. The Board then discussed Township affairs in general and a motion to adjourn was made and so ordered by the Chairman

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ATTEST:

_____, Fiscal Officer
John P. McClellan

_____, Trustee
Donald Ackerman

APPROVED:

_____, Chairman
Michael Haueter

_____, Trustee
Matthew Ritterbeck