

Perry Township Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

February 18, 2020 6:00 pm

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

Excused absence:

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

Public Hearings/Invited Guests:

6:00 pm Opening of 2020 Personal Protective Equipment

Fiscal Officer Schlegel indicated that only one bid has been received from Fire Force this evening and inquired if anybody in the audience would like to submit one. Mr. Schlegel stated that there was not a quote listed in the Fire Force bid, just a bid bond. Law Director Hall stated that he would suggest that the Board table this matter for further review so a proper recommendation could be made.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that based on what appears to be an incomplete submission, moves to acknowledge the bid, receive the bid and table it for further review and consideration by the Law Director and the Fire Chief for compliance to the bid specifications; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

JP Sexton – Perry Local Schools Bond Presentation

On behalf of the Board, Trustee DeChiara welcomed Mr. JP Sexton from Perry Local Schools for a presentation regarding the upcoming Perry Local Bond Issue 15.

Mr. Sexton thanked the Board for having him here this evening and stated that he was the chairman of the Perry Local Bond Issue 15 and a teacher within the district as well as a resident of Perry Township.

Mr. Sexton gave a presentation regarding a proposal by the State of Ohio to grant the Perry Local district money in order to rebuild facilities; four new elementary schools, new middle school and renovations and expansion of the high school and wellness center. Some questions by the Board members were answered and discussed.

Trustee Chessler thanked Mr. Sexton for being here tonight to share this bond issue information and made a motion that the Perry Township Board of Trustees pass a resolution in full support of the Perry Local School District's bond issue known as Levy Issue 15; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Steve Tharp – Stark Tusc Wayne Recycling District Grant Funding Power Point Presentation

Trustee DeChiara welcomed Mr. Steve Tharp of the Stark Tusc Wayne Recycling District. Mr. Tharp thanked the Board for having him here tonight and for the opportunity to discuss some of the things they are doing at the Stark Tusc Wayne Recycling District.

Mr. Tharp stated that he oversees the operations for the Stark Tusc Wayne Recycling District and indicated that they were the recipients of a 2019 Ohio EPA grant in the amount of \$100,000. Mr. Tharp stated that it is his job to go out to all the communities in Stark, Tuscarawas and Wayne communities to partner with the various townships, villages and cities to not only talk about recycling, but improve how we recycle. In addition, Mr. Tharp stated that he wanted to talk tonight about the three recycling sites within Perry Township and how the Stark Tusc Wayne recycling district wants to invest in these recycling sites. Mr. Tharp gave explanation regarding the focus of the Stark Tusc Wayne Recycling District in reducing contamination in the recycling bins as well as reducing, if not eliminating, illegal dumping.

More detailed explanation took place regarding adding new bins, signs, cameras and enforcement at the township's three recycling locations.

On behalf of the Board, Trustee Chessler indicated that they were in unanimous support of going forward with all of the improvements Mr. Tharp had discussed tonight; Trustee Chessler requested this information be presented in a memorandum of understanding by the next meeting to be approved; Mr. Tharp stated that would not be a problem and thanked the Board this evening for their time.

Communications:

Public Speaks on items up for Board Approval:

Township Business requiring Board Action:

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

Trustee DeChiara made a motion to approve bills in the amount of \$93,760.23 for the week ending February 2, 2020 and bills and payroll in the amount of \$144,227.55 for the week ending February 18, 2020 for a combined total of \$237,987.78; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Fiscal Officer:

Consider Accepting the Meeting Minutes from 02/13/20

Trustee DeChiara stated that we need a motion to accept the minutes for the meeting of February 13, 2020; so moved by Trustee Haines; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler.

Administration:

Fire Department:

Consider Resignation of Part-Time Firefighter Abigail Schweitzer

Fire Chief Martin stated that the Fire Department is requesting that the Board of Trustees accept the resignation of part-time firefighter Abigail Schweitzer, effective Tuesday, February 18, 2020.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board accept the letter of resignation from Abigail Schweitzer, her letter is dated February 11, 2020 and make that resignation effective today, February 18, 2020; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Police Department:

Consider Purchase of Two Ford Police Interceptor SUV'S

Chief Pomesky stated that the Police Department is requesting the purchase of two Ford Police Interceptor SUV's along with the required equipment to outfit them for the patrol division. Chief Pomesky indicated that this purchase will replace aging patrol cars that are nearing the end of service life for the department; this is not an addition to the fleet; specification sheets attached before the Board.

Chief Pomesky indicated that Lebanon Ford was awarded the state contract for purchasing, however, after several attempts to request a quote, he has not heard back from them. Chief Pomesky stated that based upon reviewing the quote submitted by Waikem Ford in the amount of \$71,114.00, below the state purchasing price, he would recommend to the Board to purchase the vehicles from Waikem Ford for the two Ford police interceptors.

Trustee Chessler indicated that they would address these Agenda items one at a time and made a motion that based on the terms outlined in a letter from Waikem Auto Dealership dated January 13, 2020, the Board authorize the Police Chief to take the steps necessary to complete the purchase of two Ford Explorer Interceptors for a price not to exceed \$71,114.00 with the terms, conditions and options that are set forth in the letter; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Consider Purchase of Upfitting for Two Ford Police Interceptor SUV'S

Chief Pomesky indicated that after the purchase of the two vehicles, the equipment to outfit and mark them will be necessary; two quotes from local providers have been received, one from Fallsway Equipment in the amount of \$21,529.28; the other from Hall Public Safety in the amount of \$21,971.94. Chief Pomesky stated that the quote from Fallsway Equipment is less than Hall Public Safety and based upon their prior experience with Fallsway Equipment, would recommend Fallsway Equipment again for the upfitting.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board authorize the Police Chief to take the steps necessary to complete what has been described as the upfitting of the police cruisers at an amount not to exceed \$21,529.28; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Consider Purchase of In-Car Cameras

Additionally, Chief Pomesky stated the purchase of the in-car camera/recording equipment installation would be necessary in the patrol cars; with the 2015 vehicle purchases, the department began the transition to Digital-Ally model DVM-800 cameras; total cost for these two cameras is in the amount of \$8,110.00.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that based on the Chief's presentation of information tonight that the Board enter into an agreement with Digital-Ally for the purchase of the in-car cameras and related equipment in an amount not to exceed \$8,110.00 and authorize the Chief to take the steps necessary to get the cameras installed at that price; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Consider Purchase of Ballistic Vests

Chief Pomesky stated that the Police Department is requesting that the Board of Trustees authorize the purchase of eight (8) bullet proof vests that will be expiring this year. Chief Pomesky indicated that he has pulled a quote from Galls for these eight (8) vests in the total amount of \$6,922.95. Chief Pomesky indicated that the department applied for a grant through the Department of Justice for reimbursement costs and will receive \$3,461.48 for this expenditure.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that based on the information the Chief has provided, the Board authorize the Chief to take the steps necessary to purchase eight (8) bullet proof vests from Galls at a total cost of \$6,922.95 and also further authorize the Chief to make a request for reimbursement through the Ohio Department of Justice for the 50% reimbursement amount or \$3,461.48; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Road and Park Department:

Consider Purchase of Asphalt Hot Box Trailer KM8000T From Southeastern Equipment Company in an Amount Not to Exceed \$28,945.50

Road Superintendent Masalko stated that the Road Department would like to request the Board to authorize the purchase of a new Asphalt Hot Box Trailer KM8000T from Southeastern Equipment Company in an amount not to exceed \$28,945.00.

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board approve the Road Superintendent to purchase the Asphalt Hot Box Trailer KM8000T not to exceed \$28,945.50 from Southeastern Equipment Company; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Consider Accepting and Approving All Material Bids Tabled from 02/04/20

Road Superintendent Masaiko stated that upon reviewing the material quotes previously received, he and Law Director Hall are reporting that all quotes are in compliance and are requesting that the Board accept all Material quotes for 2020.

Trustee Chessler moved that the Board accept all bids based on the recommendation of the Road Superintendent; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Law Director:

Zoning:

Consider Approving Side Lot Program Applications from Allan Sanor and Daniel Bennett Through SCRP

Zoning Inspector Cugini indicated that he received an email from Sarah Peters of Stark County Regional Planning regarding a Side Lot Program Application and a Vacant Lot Program Application. The first application was submitted by Mr. Allan Sanor regarding a property he owns at 234 Genoa Ave. SW.; there is a small piece of property that is adjacent and behind Mr. Sanor's property that he is interested in trying to obtain through this Side Lot Program application. Mr. Cugini relayed that the taxes to this adjacent property have been delinquent since 1963, the lot is unbuildable since it is too small. Additionally, there are no nuisance assessments from Perry Township on this lot.

Trustee Chessler made a motion that the Board authorize the Zoning Inspector and the Law Director to take the steps necessary to indicate the approval of the Board of Trustees for the Side Lot Program for Parcel #4308384 and to provide all documentation to Regional Planning to carry out that request; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Zoning Inspector Cugini indicated that the second request regarding a Vacant Lot Program Application was submitted by Mr. Daniel Bennett, 146 Elizabeth Ave. SW. Mr. Bennett is requesting to obtain the vacant lot parcel located behind his property through the Vacant Lot Program application. Mr. Cugini relayed that this particular parcel was owned by the same owner at 142 Elizabeth Ave. SW and this property was foreclosed on years ago. Zoning Inspector Cugini stated that the vacant lot at 142 Elizabeth Ave. was a property that fell through the cracks since the bank foreclosed on the house lot, but not the vacant lot. Mr. Cugini also relayed that this property has been a problem property for the township and that it has recently been sold at sheriff's sale; the lot is not buildable and there are no current nuisance assessments on the property from Perry Township.

Trustee Chessler stated that he would make the same motion with regard to this parcel which is known as Parcel #4310441 and authorize the Zoning Inspector and Law Director to take the steps necessary to indicate the approval of the Board of Trustees and carry out the approval of Stark County Regional Planning Commission for the Side Lot Program; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Problem Properties:

Executive Session(s):

Department Matters Not Requiring Board Action:

Administration:

Fire Department:

Police Department:

December 2019 Stats

Road Department:

Parks/Recycling:

Zoning:

Law Director:

Announcements:

Public Speaks-Open Forum:

Adjournment:

With nothing further to come before the Board, Fiscal Officer Schlegel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 pm; so moved by Trustee Haines; Seconded by Trustee Chessler.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Chessler, yes.

Ralph DeChiara Jr., President

Joe Schlegel, Fiscal Officer