## **Perry Township Board of Trustees**

# **Regular Meeting**

#### June 16, 2020 6:00 pm

## Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

Trustee DeChiara relayed that the Board of Trustees was still maintaining the State of Ohio directives regarding limiting the number of persons in the Township Hall to ten (10) people during the Board of Trustees' meetings. Trustee DeChiara also again gave a brief overview of the public speaks directives at this time frame of the Agenda.

Additionally, Trustee DeChiara relayed that the Board members, along with several Department Heads, would be meeting at Fasnacht Farm as part of a Work Session immediately following this regular meeting.

## **Public Speaks: Scheduled Speakers:**

Excused absence: Mike Pomesky, Police Chief

# Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

Fiscal Officer Chessler indicated that he had one deletion and one addition for this evening's Agenda. Mr. Chessler stated that he would ask that Agenda item: Consider Bank Reconciliations under 'New Business' be deleted until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting; and to also add: Consider the Approval of the SCOG Natural Gas Agreement under 'New Business'/Fiscal Officer.

## **Public Hearings/Invited Guests:**

#### 6:00 pm bid Opening for 2020 Paving Program

Fiscal Officer Chessler indicated that the Board has received five (5) asphalt bids for the 2020 road paving and listed them as follows:

Company	Total Bid Amount
Northstar Asphalt, Inc.	\$478,460.00
Superior Paving	\$435,714.00
The Shelly Company	\$553,940.50
Chagrin Valley Paving, Inc.	\$478,536.00
Central Allied Enterprises, Inc.	\$474,738.00

Trustee Haines stated that based on this information, made a motion that the Law Director and the Road Superintendent review the bids and if the bids are in order, to go ahead and proceed with Superior Paving at a cost not to exceed \$435,714.00; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

## Swearing In and Hiring of FT Fire Medic Allison Fetters

Trustee DeChiara relayed that the Board would pause at this time and go outside for the swearing in of our new firefighter, Allison Fetters.

Trustee DeChiara asked Allison Fetters to please raise her right hand:

I, Allison Fetters, do solemnly swear to support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Ohio, the Resolutions of Perry Township, Ohio, the Rules, Regulations, Standard Operating Guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures and the Policies of the Perry Township Fire Department; I will faithfully, honestly and impartially discharge the duties of Firefighter of the Perry Township Fire Department and this I do as I shall answer unto God.

On behalf of the Board, Trustee DeChiara extended his congratulations to Allison as a newly hired fulltime Perry Township Fire Department employee.

Trustee Haines read aloud the Firefighter's Creed and presented this to Allison. Fiscal Officer Chessler read aloud some inspirational passages on behalf of the noble calling of firefighters. Trustee Shreffler invited Allison's mother up to present and pin her with her badge. Trustee DeChiara presented Allison with her helmet and conveyed may she wear it safely. Allison thanked the Board for this opportunity.

Trustee DeChiara indicated that the Board would take a brief recess at this time.

#### **Brief Recess**

Fiscal Officer Chessler indicated that the Board was back on the record.

Based on the information provided, Trustee Haines stated that he would make a motion that the Board of Trustees hire Allison Fetters as a full-time firefighter paramedic with the Perry Township Fire Department effective Tuesday, June 16, 2020; Allison will be afforded all benefits applicable to full-time employees with a starting pay of \$16.96 per hour. Allison has completed and passed the required polygraph, pre-hire psychological and medical exams; Allison will be afforded other benefits provided for in the Collective Bargaining Agreement; Allison will be required to successfully complete a probationary period as outlined in the Collective Bargaining Agreement; Allison will be assigned to Ashift (Captain Riggs) starting Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 0700 hours; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

## **Communications:**

Public Speaks on items up for Board Approval:

**Township Business requiring Board Action:** 

**Unfinished Business:** 

**New Business:** 

Trustee DeChiara stated that the Board will consider the approval of bills and payroll in the amount of \$260,814.46 for the week ending June 9, 2020 and bills in the amount of \$14,283.65 for the week ending June 16, 2020 for a combined total of \$275,098.11; so moved by Trustee Haines; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

## Fiscal Officer:

## Consider Accepting the Meeting Minutes from 06/02/20

Fiscal Officer Chessler stated that the Board has before them, the minutes from the meeting of June 2, 2020 for consideration and approval.

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board approve the meeting minutes from June 2, 2020; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

#### **Consider Cares Act Resolution**

Fiscal Officer Chessler indicated that the Township has been informed both by the news media and by emails that local governments are in line to receive funds from what is called the Cares Act; this is a federal program that was signed into law in March and the federal government will distribute money to the states, the states will in turn provide allocations to each county through the county auditor. The county auditor will then distribute money to each local political subdivision. Mr. Chessler gave a brief explanation regarding the Cares Act funding and indicated that Law Director Hall has drafted a resolution that incorporates all the necessary language for the Board's consideration this evening.

Trustee DeChiara made a motion that the Perry Township Board of Trustees adopt the requirements of Ohio Senate Bill 310 for the passage of a resolution in order to receive and expend federal funds under section 5001 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

#### **Consider Resolution for Depository Agreement**

Fiscal Officer Chessler gave a brief explanation regarding the directives of the state auditor that the Board comply with Section 135.12 of the Ohio Revised Code and advertise and solicit bids for who will be the township depository. Additionally, Mr. Chessler relayed that it is required that this be done every five (5) years; moving forward, Law Director Hall has devised a resolution to formally address this.

Trustee Shreffler stated that he moves that the Board approve the resolution as outlined in the supporting documents in regard to the depository in the five (5) year period of proving such; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Mr. Chessler stated that he has what we will consider the original and further relayed that he will sign that and give to Law Director Hall for his signature and further action.

## **Approve SCOG Natural Gas Agreement**

Regarding the SCOG (Stark Council of Governments) Natural Gas Agreement, Fiscal Officer Chessler gave a brief explanation regarding this matter and indicated that this program is dealing with only the government of public buildings in Stark County, this is not for residential gas aggregation; it would be at a fixed price of \$2.93 for four (4) years and requires each political subdivision that participates in SCOG to pass a resolution and execute an agreement to enter into this program.

Trustee DeChiara made a motion that the Perry Township Board of Trustees enter into an agreement with the Stark Council of Governments, also known as SCOG and the joint aggregation of public building natural gas accounts at the four (4) year term of \$2.93 per cubic foot of gas; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

## **Consider Bank Reconciliation**

## **Administration:**

# Consider Accepting Two (2) Checks from Stark Tusc Wayne Solid Waste Management District Totaling \$16,644

Administrator Fetzer gave a brief summary and explanation regarding the long and established relationship with Stark Tusc Wayne Solid Waste District and the benefits our community has received from the recycling programs in partnering with them. Ms. Fetzer asked for the Board's consideration to accept two (2) checks from the Stark-Tusc-Wayne Joint Solid Waste Management District totaling \$16,644.00; \$2,500.00 for hosting the Yard Waste site; \$14,144.00 which is 50% of the awarded amount for hosting the 2020 Yard Waste site.

Trustee DeChiara made a motion that the Board accept the two checks totaling \$16,644.00 from the Stark Tusc Wayne Solid Waste District for use of their recycle collection here on Jackson Avenue; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

#### **Consider MOU for Massillon Amateur Radio Club**

Administrator Fetzer relayed the request of the Massillon Amateur Radio Club to once again conduct their annual emergency communications "Field Day" tests at Hartwick Park on Saturday, June 27, 2020 at 4 pm through Sunday, June 28, 2020 until 6 pm. Administrator Fetzer indicated that Law Director Hall has updated the MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) to reflect the 2020 requested dates; their group understands that they need to recognize the proper social distancing; they have a group of less than 10 people that will be there for this two-day period.

Trustee Shreffler stated that he moves that the Board approve the MOU with the Massillon Amateur Radio Club; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

## Fire Department:

## Consider Accepting Resignation of Part-Time Firefighter David Phillips

Fire Chief Martin stated that the Fire Department is requesting that the Board of Trustees accept the resignation of part-time firefighter/EMT David Phillips, effective June 2, 2020, resignation letter attached before the Board.

Trustee DeChiara made the motion that the Board accept the resignation of part-time Perry Firefighter, David Phillips, effective June 2, 2020; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

## Consider Quotes for Flooring in Stations 1 and 2

Fire Chief Martin stated that the Fire Department is requesting that the Board of Trustees authorize Mark's Carpet to install new carpet at Station 1 at a cost not to exceed \$2,567.19 and Perry Flooring to install new carpet at Station 2 at a cost not to exceed \$2,923.56. Chief Martin indicated that both of these quotes were the lowest bids on these projects.

Trustee Haines stated that based on the information from the Fire Chief, made a motion that the Board enter into an agreement that would authorize Mark's Carpet to install new carpet at Station 1 at a cost not to exceed \$2,567.19 and Perry Flooring to install the carpet at Station 2 at a cost not to exceed \$2,923.56; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

#### Police Department:

Law Director:

Fire Department:

**Police Department:** 

#### Road and Park Department:

Road Superintendent Masalko indicated that he was informed today that we did receive another diesel grant and gave a brief explanation regarding the specifics of the grant directives.

Zoning:
Problem Properties:
Executive Session(s):
Department Matters Not Requiring Board Action:
Administration:

Road Department:
Parks/Recycling:
Zoning:
Law Director:
Announcements:
~Yard Waste Site at 1500 Jackson Ave. SW Monday, Wednesday and Saturday, 8 am to 4 pm.
~Summer/2020 Newsletter – the Perry Township Community Connection is posted at <a href="https://www.perrytwp.com">www.perrytwp.com</a> . Register on the home page to receive seasonal newsletters via email.
Public Speaks-Open Forum:
Adjournment:
With nothing further to come before the Board, Trustee Haines made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 pm; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.
ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Shreffler, yes.
Work Session at Fasnacht Farm, 1140 Jackson Ave. NW, Massillon Scheduled Immediately Following Board of Trustees Meeting
Trustee DeChiara made a motion that the Board go into a Work Session at 6:46 pm to go over to the Fasnacht Farm and tour the facility; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.
ROLL CALL: Mr. DeChiara, yes. Mr. Haines, yes. Mr. Shreffler, yes.

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Craig Chessler, Fiscal Officer

Ralph DeChiara Jr., President