

Perry Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
December 15, 2020 at 5:00 pm

Early Start Time 5:00 pm

Trustee DeChiara opened the meeting and indicated the early start time for budget hearings beginning at 5:12 pm.

2021 Budget Hearings

Fiscal Officer Chessler gave a brief summary of the specified appropriations for each of the following departments:

ROAD DEPARTMENT

PARK DEPARTMENT

POLICE DEPARTMENT

FIRE DEPARTMENT

ZONING

ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

Public Speaks: Scheduled Speakers:

Excused absence: Road Superintendent, John Masalko

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

Trustee DeChiara stated that added to the Agenda this evening will be an Executive Session at the end of the meeting pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G) (1) under pending litigation with no action to be taken; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Public Hearings/Invited Guests:

2021 Budget Hearings Beginning at 5:10 pm

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 in the amount of \$188,473.91 for the week ending December 1, 2020 and bills and payroll in the amount of \$430,101.13 for the week ending December 8, 2020 for a combined total of \$618,575.04; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

Fiscal Officer:

Consider Bank Reconciliation

Fiscal Officer Chessler referenced the supporting documents before the Board regarding the regular bank reconciliation and the bank statements that show we have reconciled the bank statement and are in balance. Mr. Chessler also relayed that the appropriation status report was also attached that indicates what is currently remaining in those township accounts.

Trustee Haines stated that based on this information from the Fiscal Officer, made a motion that the Board approve the bank reconciliation with the November 13, 2020 date on it; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Consider Ohio Development Services Agency

Fiscal Officer Chessler referenced the supporting documents before the Board and relayed the grant agreement from the Ohio Development Services Agency. Mr. Chessler indicated that this is the agreement the township must add into with the Ohio Development Department to get the matching 75% funds for the Saratoga Road project; Fiscal Officer Chessler stated that as was previously discussed during the budget hearings, our best idea of what the township's contribution might be, based on preliminary and very rough estimates, this agreement sets forth the various requirements of the grant to contain those funds. Trustee DeChiara confirmed that this money will be coming out of our paving budget for next year; Trustee Haines confirmed that was correct.

Trustee DeChiara stated that based on the information supplied by our Fiscal Officer and knowing the need to improve that section of roadway for commercial development, made a motion that the Board approve and receive the grant of \$288,724.00 from the Ohio Development Services Agency; seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

Consider 12/01/20 and 12/09/20 Meeting Minutes

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board accept the meeting minutes from December 1, 2020 and December 9, 2020; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Consider LED Street Lighting Quote Requests from Perry Local Schools

Fiscal Officer Chessler relayed the correspondence between the electric company, Ohio Edison and Perry Local Schools regarding a quote request from the schools for fourteen (14) existing lights that they reimburse the township for and wanted to upgrade the type of lighting used to an LED light that is more efficient and provides more illumination; Ohio Edison is requiring us to approve of that change in the contractual relationship because we are the party that directly pays the bill.

Trustee DeChiara stated that based on that information from the Fiscal Officer, made a motion that the Board approve the purchase of the fourteen (14) LED lights for the Perry Local Schools at a total cost of \$2,926.00; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

Administration:

Consider Accepting GovDeal Checks for Online Auction Items

Administrator Fetzer referenced the supporting documents before the Board in regard to the Board accepting three (3) GovDeal checks in the total amount of \$4,951.66.

Trustee Haines made a motion that the Board accept the three (3) checks from GovDeals in the amount of \$4,951.66; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Consider Stark Tusc Wayne Joint Solid Waste Management District Check

Administrator Fetzer requested that the Board please consider accepting a check in the amount of \$625.00 from the Stark Tusc Wayne Joint Solid Waste Management District for our Yard Waste site for this quarter.

Trustee Shreffler made a motion that the Board accept that check from the Stark Tusc Wayne Joint Solid Waste Management District; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Consider Richville Cemetery Licensing

Administrator Fetzer requested that the Board please consider recognizing the issued Richville Cemetery Registration License Number 2020006025 with the Ohio Department of Commerce Division of Real Estate & Professional Licensing.

Trustee DeChiara stated that based on the information received from our Administrator, made a motion that the Board approve the Ohio Department of Commerce License Number: 2020006025 for our Richville Cemetery; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Consider Approving the Electric Aggregation Supply Contract

Administrator Fetzer stated that this next item is an emergency resolution authorizing all actions necessary to support the continuation of a governmental electric aggregation program with opt-out provisions pursuant to Section 4928.20, Ohio Revised Code, directing the township administrator of Perry Township to execute an electric supply agreement with Energy Harbor. Administrator Fetzer gave a brief explanation regarding this resolution. Additional discussion took place among the Board members.

Trustee Haines stated that based on the information given to us, made a motion that the Board enter into the electric aggregation supply contract with Energy Harbor for a one (1) year contract; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Consider Architectural Design and Construction Management Fees for Outdoor Restrooms at Perry and Summerdale Parks

Administrator Fetzer stated that the consideration of architectural design and construction management fees for outdoor restrooms at Perry and Summerdale Parks was the next Agenda item for the Board's consideration this evening. More detailed discussion took place regarding this matter.

Trustee Haines confirmed that each of the Board members would email Administrator Fetzer any questions and recommendations that each of them might have for the four (4) entities that submitted their proposals received by the township regarding their design for the outdoor restrooms; Administrator Fetzer will forward these questions to each of these four (4) entities and forward their responses back to the Board members.

Consider CARES Act Reimbursement Funds for Quarantined Employees

Administrator Fetzer referenced supporting documents before the Board indicative of our full-time and part-time employees who have had to quarantine either due to being exposed to someone who tested positive or have been diagnosed with COVID-19. Administrator Fetzer stated that per the Families First Coronavirus Response Act: Employee Paid Leave Rights and the recommendation of Law Director Hall and Attorney Greg Beck that we are able to take the total quarantined amount of \$22,260.14 (all departments combined) and divide it evenly from the CARES Act salary funds previously appropriated for Police and Fire Departments. Administrator Fetzer relayed that this will require a motion from the Board tonight authorizing the Fiscal Office to make transfers and/or purchase orders to carry out the intent of the Board.

Trustee DeChiara stated that based on the information received from Administrator Fetzer, made a motion that the Board approve transfer of CARES Act funds to police and fire in the amount of \$22,260.14; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

Consider Accepting Additional CARES Act Funds in the Amount of \$77,163.88

Administrator Fetzer referenced the supporting documents before the Board and relayed that the Board received a resolution last Thursday from the Stark County Commissioner's office regarding additional CARES Act funds to Perry Township in the amount of \$77,163.88. Administrator Fetzer conveyed that the Commissioner's office relayed a very narrow list of what these additional CARES Act funds can be utilized for; first responder reimbursement for salaries or additional monies for our businesses could be considered. More detailed discussion took place regarding this matter.

Trustee DeChiara made a motion that the Board enter into the agreement with the county on sub granting of the extra CARES money; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Fire Department:

Consider Radio Equipment for Stations

Chief Martin stated that the Fire Department is requesting that the Board of Trustees authorize the Fire Department to purchase miscellaneous radio equipment from Motorola Solutions at a cost not to exceed \$10,969.32 to update the alerting system in Station 1, 2 and 3. All equipment is State of Ohio Bid price.

Trustee Haines stated that based on this information, made a motion that the Board approve the Fire Department to purchase miscellaneous radio equipment from Motorola Solutions at a cost not to exceed \$10,969.32 to update the alerting system in Station 1, 2 and 3; this is all equipment State of Ohio bid price; Seconded by Trustee DeChiara.

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

Police Department:

Road and Park Department:

Law Director:

Consider a Resolution Establishing Transient Vendor Registration – Second Reading

Trustee DeChiara stated that the Board will have our second reading tonight regarding soliciting; Law Director Hall indicated that the Board would simply need to make the resolution by title only.

Trustee DeChiara made a motion that we have our second and final reading of the resolution establishing transient vendor registrations, regulations and a do not knock registry and related procedures and penalties within Perry Township, Stark County, Ohio, by title only. The first reading was on December 1, 2020; Seconded by Trustee Haines.

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

Zoning:

Problem Properties:

Department Matters Not Requiring Board Action:

Administration:

Fire Department:

Another Life Saved

Police Department:

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.

Executive Session(s):

ORC 121.22 (G) (1) Compensation to Include the Board, Fire Chief and Law Director

Trustee DeChiara made a motion that the Board adjourn into Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G) (1) under compensation to include the Board, Fire Chief and Law Director with action to be taken; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

Trustee DeChiara stated that the second Executive Session will be under 121.22 (G) (1) regarding pending litigation with the Board of Trustees and the Law Director will no action to be taken; Seconded by Trustee Shreffler.

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

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at: 6:41 pm

Fiscal Officer Chessler indicated that the Board adjourned from the second Executive Session at 7:18 pm; Trustee Haines moved; Trustee Shreffler seconded.

Adjournment:

Fiscal Officer Chessler indicated that the meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.

Ralph DeChiara Jr., President

Craig Chessler, Fiscal Officer