

Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees Meeting Held on November 24, 2020

The Board of Trustees of Jerusalem Township met in virtual session meeting on the above date at 7:00 p.m. through Zoom Meeting Online.

Mark Sattler opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance with the members as listed during roll call:

Beau Miller, present Dave Bench, present Mark Sattler, present

Approval of Previous Minutes:

After review by the board, Beau Miller made a motion to accept the November 10, 2020 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes Beau Miller, yes Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer:

Joel Moszkowicz reported a fund status of \$597,806.58 in pooled investments and \$342,409.35 in our checking account. We made payments with warrants 19155-1920 totaling \$127,020.22 and deposits totaling \$10,335.27. Dave Bench made a motion to accept the payment and fund status report, seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes Beau Miller, yes Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried.

Regarding use of CARES Act funding, the Fire Chief has a quote to purchase additional turnout gear

that is used when a members gear is contaminated. Tony and the board mentions we have an extractor we received from the Ohio BWC which when the turnout gear is being cleaned, takes 8-10 hours of turnaround time per set of gear. This additional gear is used by the employee so operations continue. All agree this is a valid use of CARES Act funds and has precedent with other agencies across Ohio. The estimate shared with the board totals \$86,8800.00 but this estimate needs to be finalized.

Beau Miller made a motion to approve spending no more than \$87,000.00 in CARES Act funding for additional turnout gear for when current gear is being decontaminated. Seconded by Dave Bench with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes Beau Miller, yes Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried.

Joel Moszkowicz also wanted to report we are getting additional CARES Act funds from the County Auditor in the amount of \$3,279.19. These monies are from municipalities who have returned unspent monies. Dave Bench made a motion to increase the appropriation for the 2272 Fund to \$140,286.78. Seconded by Beau Miller with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes Beau Miller, yes Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried.

Lastly Joel indicated we will be receiving \$42,837.00 from the Ohio BWC in dividend reimbursement.

There are additional expenses the board could consider for CARES Act fund use including tables and chairs that can easily be cleaned and sanitized for the office, hall and fire department. There was a discussion of excess cost for the unlimited trash pickup (due to the Stay-At-Home order in place at the time) amongst the board members but no precedent exists for CARES Act reimbursement and that idea would have to be explored through legal counsel.

Fire Department: Tony Parasiliti

Tony received a notice from the County Health Department for a COVID 19 survey for the incoming vaccine. He has pushed out a notice for all employees to participate in the survey, which helps with getting first responders, and healthcare workers, the upcoming first wave of vaccine administration. Tony wanted to recognize two individuals for all the hard work they have completed for COVID 19 cleaning and preparation. He feels that Kevin Chapman and Paul Mullen have worked extra hard to ensure we are all safe and our operations are working efficiently and effectively.

Recreation: Mike Skitowski

No report.

Zoning: Linda Rossler

Linda wanted to let the board know a letter will need to be drafted to Harold Stanton regarding the pending court case. Mark Sattler asked the status of board members credentials for the trustee board to review, Linda will get working on something together.

Regarding the Luce Property, Linda would like the board to consider hiring Attorney Jeff Stopar to file in injunction against Luce Trucking for its disregard of the ruling for its special use permit. Dave reported the attorney noted the cost would not be greater than \$2000.00 and would be filed through the court. It was asked if we could utilize the OTA attorney. It was stated that we only have access to the OTA legal counsel for defense purposes.

Dave Bench made a motion to proceed with using the 2181 zoning fund to pay the above attorney not to exceed \$2000.00 for filing the injunction. Seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

Dave Bench, yes Beau Miller, no Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried.

Maintenance: Kevin Chapman

Kevin reported that the storm last weekend blew down several trees with additional cleanup needed to be done in the next week or so.

<u>Cemetery:</u> Kevin Chapman

Recent rain has stopped work on the expansion project but the pond is installed and stoned with the pond planned to be filled in the next few weeks. The County engineers are currently surveying for the driveway and tile runs so the contractor can install them. The project is ongoing and on schedule.

Trustee Reports:

Cemetery - No report.

Hall Rental – No report, cancelled December hall rentals.

Roads — Dave reported the 8" tile on Lagoon drive drainage needs to be investigated with a camera. Dave is also investigating a quote for a catch basin repair on lagoon and to tie a 6" tile into the 8"tile under the road.

Old Business:

1. Decant Ditch Petition – Dave Bench has not delivered to the County Engineer but will get done in the future.

- 2. Trash Pickup Mark Sattler tabled this agenda item for future meeting because he has not received any further communications from Republic Services.
- 3. Healthcare 2021 Mark reported that form-fire has not come back yet and this agenda item will be tabled for the December 8 meeting. He will invite the local agent rep to the zoom meeting but reminds all board members we have a grandmothered Affordable Care Act plan which significantly reduces our cost for healthcare as long as the grandmothering keeps getting extended.
- 4. John T Kennedy Park Beau Miller emailed out the updated scaled back wetland plan to the board members after the last meeting of the board but Beau Miller wants to get the board's approval to move forward. Beau Miller will receive an agreement from the US Fish and Wildlife but wants the boards support to move forward both with the work develop the property and the schools role with maintenance. Beau Miller also indicated there is no cost to the Township; the State Government pays the contractor.

Dave indicated he is in favor of the project minus the wetlands and believes something should be done differently. Mark Sattler indicated that before a motion be made let's get all the plans together for the next meeting so a formal motion can be made with the information in front of each of us.

New Business:

- 1. Township Owned Properties Beau Miller indicated he has the information but needs to coordinate a field trip with other board members to make notes on these properties and make a decision what to do with them.
- 2. HB 404 Mark Sattler made mention the State of Ohio has extended public meetings to be virtual from the original deadline of 12/31/2020 to July 1, 2021.

Public Participation:

None

Adjournment:

With no further business before the Board Dave Bench made a motion to adjourn today's meeting. Seconded by Mark Sattler with roll call as follows:

Beau Miller, yes Dave Bench, yes Mark Sattler, yes

Motion carried at 8:12 p.m.

Attested

Annroved