

The Champion Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Meeting on September 10, 2018 at 6:30p.m. for the purpose of conducting the business of the township. Chairman Fee called the meeting to order with a full board present.

Zoning Inspector Fonce read the minutes aloud due to Fiscal Officer Hatt's throat irritation. Minutes were approved as printed.

A motion at the request of Police Chief White to approve the Taser X2 Policy for use in the Police department. The motion was tabled pending legal counsel review. Trustee Bugos made a motion to revisit after legal counsel review. Trustee Emerine seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Fee yes.

C2018-62 Trustee Emerine made a motion at the request of Cemetery Sexton Connelly to accept a bid for the removal of four trees in the Cemetery from Gaumer Landscaping, Inc. for the amount of \$975.00 for the first tree, \$800 each additional tree, plus \$100 each for stump removal, for a total of \$3,775.00. A bid was also received from Bickel Tree Service for \$1,500.00 per tree. The bid was conditionally accepted if work completed prior to October 31, 2018. Trustee Bugos seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Fee yes.

G2018-63 Trustee Bugos made a motion to eliminate the reading of the previous month's minutes aloud at each Regular meeting. The previous month's minutes will be posted to the township's website and will also be available at the township meeting for residents' perusal. The posting and hard copy will be marked "Unofficial" until such time as the Board of Trustees approves or amends them at the scheduled monthly meeting. Trustee Emerine seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Fee yes.

G2018-64 Trustee Bugos made a motion to accept the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources dated August 14, 2018 in the amount of \$4,582,208.97. This certificate includes the newly created 2902 Mosquito Control Grant in the amount of \$2,500.00 and closes out the 2901 FY 2016 Mosquito control Grant fund as required due to the change in the amount. Trustee Emerine seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Fee yes.

F2018-65 Trustee Emerine made a motion to accept an Ohio BWC Safety Intervention Grant for the Fire Department in the amount of \$36,072.44. This amount will be used toward the total cost of \$48,096.59 to purchase a power patient cot and loading system for Squad 21. The Fire Department local share will be \$12,024.15. Trustee Bugos seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Fee yes.

F2018-66 Trustee Bugos made a motion at the request of Fire Chief Hickey to purchase a 2019 Sutphen Monarch Custom Chassis Fire Engine from Herb Fire Equipment of Powell, Ohio, in the amount of \$442,160.54. The purchase shall be made with the Ohio State Term Schedule, #800257, and includes a 100% prepay discount on the truck. The full amount before prepay discount is \$448,893.95. Trustee Emerine seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Fee yes.

F2018-67 Trustee Emerine made a motion at the request of Fire Chief Hickey to approve financing of the proposed purchase of the 2019 Sutphen Monarch Custom Chassis Fire Engine from Herb Fire Equipment of Powell, Ohio. The Champion Township Board of Trustees shall enter into an agreement with Community Leasing Partners of Manhattan, KS, a division of Community First National Bank, to finance the fire engine purchase in the amount of \$442,160.54 at an annual percentage rate of 3.71% for 10 years. No early payoff penalty or fees apply to this loan. The annual payment made by the Fire Department on this loan will be \$53,742.21, with the first payment due one year from closing on the loan. Trustee Bugos seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Fee yes.

G2018-68 Trustee Bugos made a motion at the request of the Auditor of State's office to allow the use of blanket certificates, expiring no later than the last day of each fiscal year, to be limited to \$10,000.00 or the maximum amount of appropriation, whichever is less, and any blanket certificates requested to be issued in an amount over \$10,000.00 shall be requested by a resolution at such time as needed. Trustees will still be required to sign each blanket certificate. Trustee Emerine seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Fee yes.

Trustee Emerine made a motion at the request of Fiscal Officer Hatt to look into optional OPERS Life Insurance through Colonial Life for eligible employees. Employees would bear 100% of the cost of this life insurance plan. A representative will be available should Township employees be interested. This is guaranteed issue through September 30, 2018 only. Trustee Bugos seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Fee yes.

Chairman Fee turned the floor over to resident, Debbie Christ for comments on the update on 356 Lauder. Christ also spoke to issues with regard to the collection of delinquent taxes within the Township and questioned whether or not the Trustees were utilizing the land bank and the publishing of a list of the delinquent properties in the newspaper.

The department heads presented their respective reports.

Z2018-69 Trustee Bugos made a motion at the request of Zoning Inspector Fonce to allow one member of each Zoning board and herself to attend the Zoning and Planning Conference on November 2, 2018, provided they notify her by September 21, 2018 to get the \$85 early bird registration fee. Chairman Fee left the option on the table that should other members desire to attend, they can make a request to do so before the deadline. Trustee Emerine seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Fee yes.

Z2018-70 See attached for invoking of O.R.C. 505.87 on three nuisance properties.

Correspondence

G2018-71 Trustee Emerine made a motion at the request of Fiscal Officer Hatt to approve the 2019 Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources in the amount of \$2,987,873.27, a reflection of inside and outside the ten mill limit of property tax collection, per the attached resolution provided by the Trumbull County Auditor's office. Trustee Bugos seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Fee yes.

Old Business

Chairman Fee indicated the Board had signed and mailed a request to ODOT to conduct a Noise Wall study. A few residents (see list below in public comment) made interjections about the process and Chairman Fee went over the steps again. No acknowledgement from ODOT has been received as of yet.

Chairman Fee and Zoning Inspector Fonce announced the upcoming "Family Firearm Awareness Day" being presented on September 15, 2018 at the Stocker's Shop.

New Business

Chairman Fee addressed concerns circulating in the public about the lead dust and other demolition debris with the old Central Elementary and Champion Middle School buildings. He indicated the strict procedures the State of Ohio had in place to overcome any significant public danger.

Chairman Fee announced that the Board will begin Workshop Sessions in order to better conduct the business of the Township. At current time, these will be announced as needed, once per month for the remainder of 2018. The anticipation is that in 2019, they will be set in the Organizational Meeting.

Public Comment

Bill Templeton, 5498 Country Trail, had questions on the newly proposed administration building

Jim Bragger, 350 Stewart, had comments on junk cards and delinquent taxes.

Sarah Bragger, 350 Stewart, had questions about the Noise Wall Study in her neighborhood. She shared concerns about the information being presented about the Noise Wall Study in their neighborhood.

Charles Payce, 255 Stewart, had comments about both sides of the Noise Wall Study situation.

Al Hearn, 5656 Shaffer, had questions about an opening of a ditch and tire removal.

Ken Patterson, xxx Airport Rd, had questions about the Champion Central Elementary property.

Hearing no further comment, the Chairman adjourned the meeting.

Chairman

Fiscal Officer

September 20, 2018

The Champion Township Board of Trustees met in a Special Meeting on September 20, 2018 at 3:40 p.m. for the purpose of conducting the business of the township, this was delayed from the original start time of 3:15p.m. due to the impending tornado warning. The Chairman called the meeting to order with a full board present.

Chairman Fee requested that Fiscal Officer Hatt set up a meeting between Southington Board of Trustees and our Board in order to discuss the EMS Contract that is currently in place.

At the request of Fiscal Officer Hatt, to proceed to the second agenda item, the staffing level of the Road Department, with input from Road Supervisor Connelly. Discussion with regard to financial concerns, workload concerns for snow removal and the OPWC Drainage Project on Folsom.

At the request of Fire Chief Hickey, to set up a meeting between the Board and Burnham and Flower, the current broker for the Township healthcare. Michelle Crockett was contacted and upon checking calendars, it was decided to have her come at 5:00pm on October 1, 2018, to present quotes to the Board with regard to the healthcare renewals, a significant portion of the employee compensation package.

At the request of Fire Chief Hickey, to reconvene the discussion on the EMS contract with Southington. Questions were presented with regard to personnel staffing levels, how Southington’s Volunteer Fire Department operates, etc. Income to the department and percentage of calls was also preliminarily discussed with further questions to be answered through the third party medical billing provider.

At the request of Fiscal Officer Hatt, to receive a bid from Lake Business Products for a new copy machine.

At the request of Trustee Emerine, to discuss current Zoning issues within the Township and the current make up of the Zoning Boards, including the cost of legal counsel for zoning issues to the Township.

At the request of the Fiscal Officer, to set a date for a meeting to update an appropriation for the payment of the scrap portion of the one ton dump that was recently replaced by the DERG Grant.

Hearing no further comment, the meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

Chairman

Fiscal Officer