

The Champion Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Meeting on April 6, 2020 at 6:30p.m. for the purpose of conducting the business of the township, via conference call under HB 197, **Phone-In Meeting 872-240-3311, Participant Code 839-490-237**. Chairman Emerine called the meeting to order with a full board present.

R2020-42 Trustee Templeton made a motion to amend R2019-95, approve the purchase and installation of a truck bed from Myers, to amounts of \$6,370 for parts and \$3,570 for labor costs. Originally, Labor cost was \$1,110 maximum and parts were \$8,890. Project was within budget but varying amounts from original purchase order line items. Trustee Bugos seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Templeton yes.

F2020-43 Trustee Bugos made a motion to accept the Benton Township Fire Department check for \$56,000 for the sale of Brush 21 and make supplemental appropriation of the revenue to 2192-760-750. These funds must be used to purchase equipment for the same purpose as Brush 21 and within the FEMA prescribed timeframe. Trustee Templeton seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Templeton yes.

F2020-44 Trustee Templeton made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2020 Chevrolet CK1500 4 WD Work Truck Package from RD Banks Chevrolet through the Chevrolet Political Subdivision Fleet Program from the 2192-760-750 in the amount of \$30,118.10. The vehicle will be delayed due to lack of production during the Coronavirus pandemic. This is part of the limited timeframe purchase to expend the \$56,000 received for the sale of Brush 21. This truck will be used along with other items to be purchased separately for fighting brush fires and other purposes as needed by the Fire Department. Trustee Bugos seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Templeton yes.

Trustee Templeton made a motion to accept and make supplemental appropriation to 2192-760-740 the National Fire Protection Agency Wildland Award in the amount of \$500. Trustee Bugos seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Templeton yes.

Trustee Templeton made a motion to accept the Ohio Department of Commerce Training Award in the amount of \$1,000 to the Fire Fund. (This money was already appropriated and served to pay for training for Fire Department employee Nicholas Shreckengost.) Trustee Bugos seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Templeton yes.

A motion to ratify the previous action of the Board, listed as R2020-16, to declare two Road Department vehicles, VINs included in that motion, as having no further value to the Township and sell them on GovDeals.com was tabled pending further information.

G2020-46 Trustee Bugos made a motion to authorize an expenditure of \$1,000 from the General fund for EMS supplies to the Trumbull County Emergency Management Agency to deal with the Coronavirus pandemic. Trustee Templeton seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Templeton yes.

Chief Hickey gave a preliminary informative discussion on the FEMA Disaster Declaration and how it affects the Township Budget, possibly reimbursing township expenditures related to Coronavirus relief and sanitization up to 75%. Chief Hickey is tracking all expenses, so all expenses should be reported directly to him for tracking as well as following the normal procedures for payments.

A motion to approve the contract for Price Farms to farm the Township property north of the cemetery for \$275 per year for up to 5 years, allowing Cemetery Sexton Rozzo the authority to execute the contract was tabled due to the Trustees wanting more information on the wording of the contract and the piece of property that the school and the farm would be using in concert with one another.

G2020-47 Trustee Bugos made a motion to accept the Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources in the amount of \$6,171,382.37, dated March 10, 2020. This contains official carryover amounts and permanent appropriation approval from the budget commission. Trustee Templeton seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Templeton yes.

The department heads gave their respective reports and a listing of items that could be placed in a public auction for disposal.

Chief White commended Officers Koehler and Goldner on two separate incidents with robberies with weapons. The officers acted quickly and were able to get suspects in custody and weapons off the streets.

Correspondence

Items related to Covid-19 and the sanitizing of the offices, garage and other work areas was discussed with the department heads. Many many agencies have sent information to help us through this unique time in our history, including BWC stating a refund of employer premiums.

Old Business

Sound barrier paperwork is not yet turned in as the Covid-19 pandemic hit Trumbull County just as the finalizing of the paperwork was being done. That will be a priority in the next few weeks.

TCHD is awaiting the final dollar amount for the grant award for mosquito spraying, but the vendor has dates set aside for our township. As soon as the grant dollars are finalized, the Trustees can decide how many times to spray. The grant will be a two-part distribution, May and September.

The Drug Free Workplace Training scheduled for Supervisors for today at 3:30 was postponed until the Governor’s Stay at home order is lifted to allow more than 10 people to congregate as our group requires 13 to be trained.

Public Comment

Jim Marangioni, 6552 Oak Hill, thank you to all the township employees for the job they are doing, please stay safe!!

Hearing no further comment, the Chairman adjourned the meeting.

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Chairman

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Fiscal Officer

The Champion Township Board of Trustees met in a Special “emergency” Meeting on April 7, 2020 for the purpose of discussing personnel policies for the purposes of the Covid-19 pandemic with AFSCME Union representatives at 2:30pm via HB 197, conference call details: (571) 317-3122, Access Code: 359-536-909, with a full board present.

Trustee Emerine made a motion to enter executive session with Debbie Bindas, AFSCME Union District Rep and John Andreatta, Road Department AFSCME Rep invited in. Trustee Templeton seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Templeton yes.

Trustee Templeton made a motion to exit executive session. Trustee Bugos seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes, Templeton yes.

Hearing no further comment, the Chairman adjourned the meeting.

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Chairman

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Fiscal Officer

The Champion Township Board of Trustees met in a Special Meeting via HB 197, via conference call: (978) 990-5242, Access Code:3519757 on April 17, 2020 at 4:30pm for the purpose of conducting the business of the Township with a full board present.

F2020-48 Trustee Bugos made a motion at the request of Fire Chief Hickey to purchase a slip in forestry skid unit from Kimtek Corporation of Orleans, Vermont in the amount of \$7,735.00. This unit will have a 55-gallon water tank, hose reel, and a patient slide in compartment. Per the Ohio Department of Natural Resources grant that was received, Champion Township Fire Department will receive a 50% reimbursement of the total cost equaling \$ 3,867.50. This purchase is made possible through the sale of the 2015 Ford Blanchat Brush truck that was sold in March of 2020. Trustee Emerine seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes.

F2020-49 Trustee Bugos made a motion at the request of Fire Chief Hickey to purchase an American Manufacturing Operations (AMO) 6' X 12' tandem axle channel utility trailer from Lazy B Trailer sales in Bristolville, Ohio for the amount of \$ 2,100.00. This unit will haul the new UTV brush unit that will be placed in service for Champion Township Fire Department. This purchase is made possible through the sale of the 2015 Ford Blanchat Brush truck that was sold in March of 2020. Trustee Emerine seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes.

F2020-50 Trustee Bugos made a motion at the request of Fire Chief Hickey to purchase a 2020 Polaris Ranger 1000 EPS UTV from Johnny K's Powersports located at 430 Youngstown Warren Rd. in Niles Ohio for a base price of \$ 12,722.89. Additionally, \$ 1,861.63 of accessories for the unit to include: 4,500 lb. winch, windshield, roof and battery connection kit for a total cost of \$14,584.52. This purchase is made possible through the sale of the 2015 Ford Blanchat Brush truck that was sold in March of 2020. Trustee Emerine seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes.

F2020-51 Trustee Bugos made a motion at the request of Fire Chief Hickey to contract with Printers Edge of Champion Ohio to provide Emergency stripping, decals and lettering on the 2020 Silverado 1500 in the amount of \$ 995.00. This purchase is made possible through the sale of the 2015 Ford Blanchat Brush truck that was sold in March of 2020. Trustee Emerine seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes.

F2020-52 Trustee Bugos made a motion at the request of Fire Chief Hickey to contract with Hudson Communications of Pierpont, Ohio to provide installation of radio & siren equipment, and emergency lighting on the 2020 Silverado 1500 in the amount of \$3,485.00. This purchase is made possible through the sale of the 2015 Ford Blanchat Brush truck that was sold in March of 2020. Trustee Emerine seconded. Bugos yes, Emerine yes.

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

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