Fairgrove Township

Regular Board Meeting

Virtual Meeting

April 26, 2021 7:30 PM

Roll Call: Supervisor Keith Aeder, Clerk Katie Gebhardt, Treasurer Sarah Donovan, Trustee Dennis Hadeway, and Trustee Justin Edwards.

Visitors Present: Colleen Russell – Deputy Clerk, Pat Donovan-Grey – Deputy Treasurer, Deb/Doug Young, Howard Johnson, DJ – Billy’s Contracting, Tina Wassa, Kassi Johnson.

Call to order

Hadeway moved and Aeder supported to approve March meeting minutes.

Roll Call Vote: Y: KG, SD, DH, JE, KA. N: None. Passed

Hadeway moved Donovan supported to approve March Budget Hearing minutes.

 Roll Call Vote: Y: KA, SD, KG, DH, JE. N: None. Passed.

Aeder moved Edwards supported to approve April Agenda with corrected date.

 Roll Call Vote: Y: SD, DH, JE, KA, KG. N: None.

Passed.

Visitor Comments:

* DJ- Billy’s Contracting/GFL – Would be able to take over both trash and recycling with hand pick up or hand delivery available.
* Howard Johnson – Township Resident – Really like what GFL had to say and commented on the continued issues with Republic

Visitor Comments Closed

Supervisors Report

* Zoning Ordinance dedication page for Carl Childs.
* Dunham Rd and Fenner Rd are almost done.
	+ KG moved DH supported to authorize supervisor to oversee completion of Dunham Rd and Fenner Rd project, not to exceed $2500.
		- Roll Call: Y: DH, JE, KA, KG, SD. N: None. Passed.
* Atwell working with DTE on potential solar farm in area may not be in Fairgrove Township.
* Oakley Rd – weeds coming through road again.
* VAAS will be doing more stop the bleed kits.
* Waste Management – will only do cart pickup. $35 for each bulk item picked up and a doctor’s note would be required for elderly needing assistance with getting carts to the road.
* Emterra – Does hand pick up. 1 large item per week.
* The Township will be receiving about $150,000 from the most recent stimulus. This will be divided by the Township and the Villages. Still unsure what the funds have to be used for.

Unfinished Business

* Trash Collection issues and payment discussed.
	+ Gebhardt moved Aeder supported to pay March collection bill in full and pay half of April collection bill to Republic.
		- Roll Call: Y: JE, KS, KG, SD, DH. N: None. Passed
* McQuillan is prepared to draft letter to terminate service with Republic Services.
	+ Aeder moved Gebhardt supported to authorize McQuillan to draft service termination letter and send on the Townships behalf.
		- Roll Call: Y: KA, KG, SD, DH, JE. N: None. Passed.
* Board discussed a way to give back to those affected by ongoing trash issues.
* Amended Budget
	+ Aeder moved Hadeway supported to amended 2020/2021 budget items that exceeded original budgeted amounts:

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| **Accounting Fees** | $8,475.00 | Audit and F65 |
| **Ambulance Service** | $25,759.00 | Includes 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 Contract |
| **Assessor Services** | $17,868.62 | Contract increase May 2020 |
| **Grave Openings** | $5,700.00 | Increase in Grave Sales/Openings |
| **Repairs and Supplies** | $5,182.15 | Removed fence row |
| **Deputy Clerk** | $1,188.75 | Extra Election hours |
| **Election Expense** | $5,244.47 | Increased Election Expense due to COVID |
| **Election Wages** | $4,648.00 |  |
| **Election Equipment** | $2,709.18 | AVCB Tabulator |
| **Fire Protection** | $43,466.00 | Two Contract years |
| **Insurance** | $7,662.00 | Works Comp |
| **Pension Contribution** | $9,500.00 | Salary Increases |
| **Police Contract** | $63,663.00 | Two Contract Years, Police Equipment |
| **Postage and Printing** | $3,403.09 | Increase printing cost - COVID |
| **Maintenance** | $5,278.58 | Gas line for generator |
| Electric | $1,464.78 |
| Phone | $407.31 |
| Ordinances | $3,572.50 | Two Public hearings for zoning updates |
| Planning Commission | $3,070.00 |  |

* + Roll Call: Y: KG, SD, DH, JE, KA. N: None. Passed.
* Police Contract: Section 13 – 6 month notice/refund. Needs to be revised.
	+ Hadeway moved Donovan support to authorize clerk and supervisor to sign 2021/2022 Police contract once corrections have been made.
		- Roll Call: Y: SD, DH, JE, KA, KG. N: None. Passed
* Akron Fire Contract: Paragraph F has parties switched around. Needs to be corrected by the Village of Akron.
	+ Edwards moved Hadeway support to authorize clerk and supervisor to sign 2021/2022 Akron Fire Contract once contract corrections have been made.
		- Roll Call: Y: DH, JE, KA, KG, SD. N: None. Passed.
* FCIA Account
	+ Hadeway moved Aeder support to authorize Treasurer to open an insured pooled investment account at NorthStar Bank with an initial deposit of $850,000.
		- Roll Call: Y: JE, KA, KG, SD, DH. N: None. Passed.
	+ Aeder moved Hadeway supported to authorize the clerk and treasurer to transfer $850,000 from the Township General Fund to an insured pooled investment account.
		- Roll Call: Y: KA, KG, SD, DH, JE. N: None. Passed.

Sexton Report

* Was presented and accepted

Police Report

* Report was presented and reviewed.

Assessing Contract

* 2021/2022 Assessing Contract $14 per parcel, $1531.83 per month. Effective June 1st. Contract is not changing from previous year.
	+ Hadeway moved Edwards supported to authorize clerk and supervisors to signed 2021/2022 assessing contract.
		- Roll Call: Y: KG, DH, JE, KA, SD. N: None. Passed.
* 422 report presented
* Discussion on what future tax income could look like.

Financial Report

* Report presented
	+ Hadeway moved Aeder supported to accept financial report as presented.
		- Roll Call: Y: SD, DH, JE, KA, KG. N: None. Passed.
* Discussion on what documents board would like presented monthly from the treasurer.

Bills

* Edwards moved Hadeway supported to pay bills as presented.
	+ Roll Call: Y: DH, JE, KA, KG, SD. N: None Passed.

Board Comments: None

Visitor Comments

* Doug Young – Thanks the Township Board for their contribution toward the Fairgrove Fire Department purchase of new Jaws.
* Kristin Young – Village of Fairgrove President, dropped in to say hi to the board.

Edwards moved and Hadeway supported to adjourn meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Y: JE, KA, KG, SD, DH. N: None. Passed.

Meeting adjourned 10:27 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie Gebhardt

Fairgrove Township Clerk