November 3, 2020

Regular Meeting

\*Pursuant to HB 197, the Township Building is closed to the public and this meeting was held via teleconference and broadcast for public attendance on Facebook Live on the “Pierpont, OH” Facebook page\*

Chairman Barbara Culp called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the trustees present in the township hall.

Trustee Culp reminded everyone to vote if they had not already.

Roll call of Board attendance: Trustee Barb Culp, Trustee Pam Hudson, Trustee Bob Jackson.

(Trustees Culp and Hudson were present in the hall and practiced social distancing while Trustee Jackson attended via teleconference.) Fiscal Officer Jennifer Hoover was also present and practiced social distancing.

Approval of prior meeting minutes:

As all trustees have already read the minutes of the October 20, 2020 regular meeting, minutes were approved as written.

The minutes of the October 22, 2020 special meeting were also approved as written.

Approval of Bills:

Trustee Culp presented $39,707.06 in bills, which included payment to the Pierpont Fire Department. Trustee Jackson moved to pay the bills presented. Trustee Hudson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Trustee Culp added that they received $613,712.40 since the last meeting, which included a payment of $600,000.00 from the EPA for the sewer project.

Fiscal Officer’s Report

Fiscal Officer Hoover reminded trustees that the CARES Act funds need to be encumbered by November 20th and then spent by December 30, 2020.

Correspondence since last meeting: none

Committee/Department Reports:

**Road Report**:

* Trustee Jackson advised they were delayed due to all of the rain and they will resume prepping for winter. He added that there may be several potholes in the road but that our roads are not mud.
* Trustee Hudson added that the Marcy Road bridge should be open soon.
* Trustee Culp added that she used the road employees to dig a group of footers at the cemetery.

**Zoning Inspector:**

Trustee Culp advised she was meeting with the Zoning Inspector after the meeting to discuss permits and applications.

**Zoning Commission:**

Regular meeting scheduled for November 10 at 6:00PM.

**Parks Commission:**

Meeting scheduled for November 9th at 7:00PM. Trustee Jackson added that Paul Mechling, member of the parks commission, called him to ask about the interest received on the Horner’s fund. Trustee Jackson went to Andover Bank to find out but the Horner’s money is in the general checking account, but a separate fund in our accounting system. Trustee Culp added that she spoke with FO Hoover and they agreed the Horner’s money should be in its own account at the bank.

The trustees discussed that the Parks Commission needs to provide a list of what they want to do and Trustee Jackson advised we need to spend the $42,000.00, not just the interest earned and added that the interest earned is likely miniscule.

**Revitalization Committee:**

Next meeting is December 21, 2020

Unfinished/Old Business

* Trustee Culp touched on the Parks Commission – she added that they need to determine terms of service for each member. They appointed members but did not establish terms for each. She also added that she wants to appoint 2 members to the revitalization committee and 1 to the Zoning commission at the next meeting on November 17th. There will also be a term ending on the BZA at the end of the year.

New Business

* Trustee Culp presented a Resolution to spend the CARES Act funds on the Coker house remodel. She added that they received a letter of support from the Ashtabula County Health Department. Trustee Jackson moved to pass RESOLUTION NO. 2020-16 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CARES ACT FUNDING TO MAKE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PROPERTY AT 1080 STATE ROUTE 7 IN ORDER TO CREATE A LARGER MEETING AREA AND SEPARATED OFFICES FOR TRUSTEES AND THE FISCAL OFFICER.) Trustee Jackson added that the public will also have access to this building. Trustee Hudson seconded the motion. Roll call was recited – Trustee Hudson – yea; Trustee Culp – yea; Trustee Jackson – yea. Resolution passed.

Miscellaneous:

* Trustee Culp reminded viewers of the blood drive scheduled for December 3, 2020.
* Trustee Jackson added that Congressman Joyce is working on pushing the December 30th CARES Act spending deadline out further.

Public Comment

No comments on FB Live video.

There being no further business, Trustee Hudson moved to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned.

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Fiscal Officer