

January 15, 2020

The Harlem Township Trustees met in regular session at the Firehouse.

Trustees Present: David Jackson, Jerry Paul, Bob Singer
Fiscal Officer Present

Public Present: Abby Crisp, Dave Snyder, Joni Manson, Raelene Meadows, Doug Riedel, Tyler Lane, Diane and Mike Kabler, John and Simona Skinner, Gary Merrell, and Scott Belcastro.

Mr. Jackson called the meeting to order. The minutes of December 2nd, 2020 were approved as sent. Mr. Paul moved to approve said minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Singer. Motion Passed. The minutes of special meeting January 8th, 2020 were approved as sent. Mr. Paul moved to approve said minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Singer. Motion Passed.

The Fiscal Officer presented the bills and certified that the amounts were available in the respective accounts to pay said bills. Starting with warrant #11179 and ending in warrant #11211, with warrant #11179 void due misprint and has been reissued as #11180 and 11181 void due to incorrect vendor, and Voucher #1-2020, Totals \$64,835.01. Mr. Singer made a motion to pay said bills. Motion was seconded by Mr. Paul. Motion Passed.

Scott Belcastro was present to present to the Trustees a newly negotiated contract rate for the Township Gas Aggregation that would be a 24 month program. Mr. Belcastro explained to the Board and public how the prices have been fluctuating. Mr. Belcastro's recommendation is to contract with Volunteer Energy based on a variable rate with the option to convert to a fixed rate in the future. Mr. Singer made a motion to accept the renewal for 2 year program, with Jerry Paul as authorized signer on behalf of the Board of Trustees. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson. Motion Passed.

Mr. Jackson welcomed and introduced Commissioner, Gary Merrell.

Mr. Jackson announced the Trustees will open advertised zoning hearing for Application HTZC 19-14. The hearing for a rezone application from John C. and Simona C. Skinner, 7950 Soft Rush Drive, Westerville, Ohio 43082, is seeking to rezone 5.292 acres from Current Zoning AR-1 Agricultural Residential to FR-1 Farm Residential. Physical address for the property is 10937 Center Village Road, Galena, Ohio 43021. The parcel is listed as Tract 2, Lot 3, Parcel ID #316-230-02-027-002, on Center Village Road west of Harlem Road. Mr. Jackson read the recommendation of The Harlem Township Zoning Commission and the DCRP. There was no one present against proposal. Mr. Jackson confirmed this was properly advertised. Mr. Singer made a motion to approve the Application HTZC 19-14; motion was seconded by Mr. Paul. Motion Passed. The Applicant was advised there will be 30 days before it takes effect for a resident's right of referendum.

Mr. Jackson introduced Tyler Lane from the Delaware Prosecutors Office. He will be the Township's representative.

ZONING:

Diane Kabler (resident), provided the Board with pictures of zoning violations in the Township. Mr. Jackson accepted the photos and will pass onto the Zoning Inspector.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: RTD: Fire: 6 EMS: 10 Total: 16

ISO will be evaluating the Fire Department at the end of the month.

MAINTENANCE:

Mr. Jackson announced he has a bid from the Delaware County Engineer's Office for the 2020 Road Improvement Program; for improvements to Robins RD (2 sections), Ivy Ridge PL, and Adams RD, for \$242,550.00. His recommendation is to omit Ivy Ridge PI and the edge line on both Robins Rd estimates for a new total not to exceed \$206,683.41. Mr. Paul made the motion to accept bid from Delaware County Engineer 2020 Road Improvement Program removing Ivy Ridge PI and the edge lines for Robins Rd at a total not to exceed \$206,683.41. Motion was seconded by Mr. Singer. Motion Passed. Resolution # 20-01-15-T2

Mr. Jackson spoke with Mr. Walker regarding the stone used for dust control. Mid-Ohio Paving estimate is \$34.50 delivered; approximately 250-275 tons will be needed. Mr. Singer made the motion to approve expenditure of up to \$34.50/ton for dust control stone at approximately 250-275 tons. Motion was seconded by Mr. Paul. Motion Passed.

OPERATIONS:

Mr. Jackson brought to the Board a resolution to decrease the speed limit on Hatch Road. Mr. Singer made the motion in the matter of approving a speed limit revision for that portion of Hatch Road (TR037) extending from State Route 605 and Fancher Road located in Harlem Township, Resolution No. 20-01-15-T1. Motion was seconded by Mr. Paul. A Roll Call was held; Singer, Aye; Paul, Aye; and Jackson, Aye: Motion Passed. Copy of resolution is available upon request to the Fiscal Officer.

Township received the mileage report from the State. The report has 23.785 for Township Roads to be certified. Mr. Paul made motion to approve this report as it is submitted. Mr. Singer seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Mike Kabler informed the Board that the Steering Committee had their 2nd meeting and are working on a questionnaire to be sent out to residents to be used for input on the master plan.

Abby Crisp with the Health District announced that flu season is to be the worst this year and if you need a flu shot, you can go to the Sunbury location. The Health District meeting is set for March 12 at 6:15pm.

Mr. Paul inquired status on the track at the Park. The Board discussed that they need to collect new bids. They would like to see some new track added that leads to the playground. Dave Snyder (resident) mentioned before action on the project, he would like the Board to consider utilities inside the track. The Board agreed. Mr. Paul mentioned Mr. Walker is researching the drop box, which is located along State Route 605, to eliminate water issue.

Mr. Paul announced that the Park Committee is looking into grants to possibly install a water drinking fountain, redo restrooms, and new roof at the park. There is a leak on the roof of the restrooms that the Board feels a temporary fix is needed. The committee is also talking with Mr. Flint, property owner west of park, to see if drainage can be resolved.

Mr. Paul announced that the hand pump in the Fancher Maple Grove cemetery needs to be repaired or replaced.

Diane Kabler (resident) informed the Board that the Garden Club would like to purchase a commemorative tree in memory of Betty Johnson at the Park. The Board advised to inquire with the park committee and tree commission.

Mrs. Kabler also wanted the Board to know that the refrigerator off community room in Fire House is not working. The Board will look into what is needed.

Mr. Singer made motion for Executive Session to discuss Hire/Fire Personnel Matters. Motion was seconded by Mr. Paul. A Roll Call was held; Singer, Aye; Paul, Aye; and Jackson, Aye. Motion Passed.

Mr. Paul made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson. A Roll Call was held; Singer, Aye; Paul, Aye; and Jackson, Aye: Motion Passed.

Mr. Jackson made motion to hire Dale Fling as Operations Director at \$37,500 salary, if he is willing to accept and Mr. Jackson will donate \$5,000 to the Township General Fund. Motion failed for lack of second.

Mr. Singer made a motion to recess to Wednesday January 22 at 6:30 pm. Mr. Paul seconded motion. Motion passed. 9:30 pm.

January 22, 2020

Trustees Present: Jerry Paul and Bob Singer
Fiscal Officer Present

Public Present: Matt Kurz and Christopher Caito

At this time, Mr. Paul reconvened the meeting recessed from January 15, 2020.

Mr. Singer made motion for Executive Session to discuss Township Employment Personnel Matters. Motion was seconded by Mr. Paul. A Roll Call was held; Singer, Aye; Paul, Aye; and Jackson, Absent. Motion Passed. Invited to stay Christopher Caito.

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Mr. Singer made motion to approve Christopher Caito's contract for Fire Chief, and that he be paid the Chief hourly wage until assuming the Chief position, for the number of hours required. Motion was seconded by Mr. Paul. Motion Passed.

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The Fiscal Officer presented the bills and certified that the amounts were available in the respective accounts to pay said bills. Starting with warrant #11212 and ending in warrant #11215, Totals \$219.02. Mr. Singer made a motion to pay said bills. Motion was seconded by Mr. Paul. Motion Passed.

Singer announced Mr. Christopher Caito has accepted the chief agreement given to him by the Trustees and pay rate with new agreement effective immediately based on the hourly rate.

Mr. Paul announced that the approach into the Firehouse will be poured January 27 and 28th. There will be cones directing public to the back parking lot until the approach is able to be used.

Being no further business Mr. Singer made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Paul seconded motion. Motion passed. 6:59 pm.

President

Vice President

Alternate

Fiscal Officer