

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

## COPLEY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL

BEAR GRAPHICS -800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held \_\_\_\_\_

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2020

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### Open

President Dressler called the special meeting to order at 6:00p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to hold a Public Hearing to consider an increase in the Motor Vehicle Registration tax for 2021.

Trustee Dressler acknowledged the attendance, virtually, of Trustees Koellner and Schulte, Fiscal Officer Linda Peiffer, Administrator Janice Marshall, Service Director Mark Mitchell, Social Media Manager Sue Mack.

Ms. Marshall presented a summary of the impact that the increased tax revenues would have on the funds available to the Township for road and bridge repairs. Revenues from all four sources for Road and Bridge for 2020 are expected to reach \$1,900,584.00 with Operating Expenses reaching \$1,899,364.50 resulting in a \$1,219.50 surplus at the end of the year. While additional carryover does exist in those funds, the Board of Trustees has earmarked those funds for future capital expenditures. Township roads have increased from 50.75 miles in 2001 to 64.615 miles in 2019. Costs for concrete repair have increased 45% to \$100/square yard; asphalt prices are currently \$16.29/square yard and sealcoat prices are \$2.60/square yard. Estimates of potential revenue from the \$5.00 increase are expected to be near \$76,000.

Service Director Mark Mitchell explained that funds received from this \$5.00 increase can only be used for road and bridge repair or equipment used for road and bridge repair. The money cannot be used for parks, trails, cemetery expenses or facility maintenance.

The Township received one email regarding the increase. The question referred to a Face Book posting asking the rate of tax increase and the Township answered, incorrectly, that the Township "had no idea". Social Media Manager Sue Mack explained that she had answered incorrectly and apologized for the error. The increase was stated correctly at a public meeting and has been discussed publicly repeatedly. It was acknowledged that the Notice for the Public Hearing could have included the amount of the tax increase.


Trustee Koellner made a motion to close the Public Hearing; second by Trustee Dressler. Roll-call Vote: Trustee Dressler – aye, Trustee Koellner – aye; Trustee Schulte – aye. The next Public Hearing on the subject will be held at 6:00pm on June 8, 2020.

### Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Dressler moved to adjourn at 6:25p.m.; second by Trustee Schulte; the motion carried.

Approved by:

Respectfully submitted:

  
Scott D. Dressler, President

  
Linda J. Peiffer, Fiscal Officer