

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

COPLEY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2020

Held _____

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Open

Trustee Dressler called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Board of Trustees

2020 - 98 Resolution to adopt the 2021 Alternative Tax Budget. Trustee Dressler moved approval; second by Trustee Schulte. Roll call vote: Trustee Dressler, aye; Trustee Koellner, aye; and Trustee Schulte, aye.

Executive Session request to discuss pending litigation with Legal Counsel.

Fiscal Officer's Report – Ms. Linda Peiffer

Motion to approve the Board of Trustees Regular meeting minutes of June 22, 2020. Trustee Schulte moved approval, second by Trustee Dressler; all voting aye.

Motion acknowledging receipt and approval pending audit of the June, 2020 Financial Statements. Trustee Koellner moved approval; second by Trustee Dressler; all voting aye.

2020 - 99 Resolution amending the 2020 Certificate of Estimated Resources to more accurately reflect actual and estimated revenues for 2020. Trustee Koellner moved approval; second Trustee Dressler. Roll call: Trustee Dressler, aye; Trustee Koellner, aye; and Trustee Schulte, aye.

2020 - 100 Resolution authorizing the advance of \$5,000.00 to the Ohio and Erie Canalway Grant Fund. Trustee Koellner moved approval; second by Trustee Dressler. Roll call vote: Trustee Dressler, aye; Trustee Koellner, aye; and Trustee Schulte, aye.

Administration – Mrs. Janice Marshall, Administrator

2020 - 101 Resolution authorizing the placement of a continuous 3.3 mil replacement levy with a .2 mil increase on the November 2020 ballot for the Fire Department. Trustee Koellner moved approval; second by Trustee Schulte. Roll call vote: Trustee Dressler, aye; Trustee Koellner, aye; and Trustee Schulte, aye.

2020 - 102 Resolution authorizing the placement of a continuous 2.5 replacement levy on the November 2020 ballot for the Road Department. Trustee Koellner moved approval; second by Trustee Schulte. Roll call vote Trustee Dressler, aye; Trustee Koellner, aye; and Trustee Schulte, aye.

Motion granting permission to enter into an Intergovernmental Non-Disclosure Agreement with the City of Akron for utility mapping information. Trustee Koellner moved approval; second by Trustee Schulte. All voting aye.

Discussion regarding financing alternatives for new Fire and Police facility. The Board agreed to consider financing a project to create the infrastructure necessary to market the outlying parcels on Sunset Drive first in hopes of igniting economic development in the area. The project would be financed through an unvoted bond issue with the annual debt service supported by Township funds. Details of the project to follow. Mrs. Marshall will get numbers together and a Resolution for the next meeting. The Trustees want to keep the project moving forward.

Executive Session request to discuss benefits of employment in all departments.

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2020 - 103 Resolution granting permission to enter into an automatic Aid Agreement with the City of Akron for Fire Services. Trustee Koellner moved approval; second by Trustee Schulte. Roll call vote: Trustee Dressler, aye; Trustee Koellner, aye, and Trustee Schulte, aye.

Motion to grant a six month leave of absence to part-time Fire/Medic Alan Leonard effective August 1, 2020. Trustee Koellner moved approval; second by Trustee Schulte. All voting aye.

Monthly Report for the Fire Department.

Police Department – Chief Michael Mier

2020 - 104 Resolution granting permission to enter into a contract with the City of Barberton for jail services for 2020 and approving a Purchase Order in the amount of \$16,753.00 to the City of Barberton. Trustee Schulte moved approval; second by Trustee Koellner. Roll call vote: Trustee Dressler, aye; Trustee Koellner, aye; and Trustee Schulte, aye.

Motion granting permission to renew the annual lease with the Naval Surface Warfare Center for night vision goggles at a cost of \$600.00. Trustee Schulte moved approval; second by Trustee Koellner. All voting aye.

Monthly Report for the Police Department

Service Department – Mr. Mark Mitchell, Service Director

Motion granting permission to publish the Trash and Recycling Survey. Trustee Dressler suggested numbers for ratings so they would be easier to tally. Trustee Schulte moved approval; second by Trustee Dressler. All voting aye.

Executive Session request to discuss employment of personnel in the Service Department.

Cemetery Deed was presented for the Curtis Family.

Monthly Report for the Service Department.

Community and Economic Development – Mr. Loudan Klein, Director

Executive Session request to discuss acquisition of property.

Monthly Report for the Community and Economic Development Department.

Old Business

Administrator, Mrs. Marshall, contacted the City of Akron to schedule a meeting with JEDD. Akron will be getting back to her with potential dates.

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Ridgewood Road Roundabout.

The Summit County Engineer, Alan Brubaker, turned down the proposed landscaping improvements to the Ridgewood Roundabout due to numerous accidents that have taken place around the circle. The county does not want fixed objects, pedestrians or workers within the center circle sighting possible legal liability to the county.

Mr. Brubaker suggested installation of a decorative surface such as brick pavers or porous decorative concrete. The decorative surface could include the Townships name and/or emblem or other decoration.

Ridgewood Road Speed Study

Received an update from the Summit County Engineer's Office for the requested speed study on Ridgewood Road from Cleveland Massillon Road to Medina Line Road to determine the feasibility of lowering the speed limit to 35 mph. The Engineer indicated that the roadway conditions and traffic patterns have not changed and the new development would not cause a significant impact so a speed study is not warranted at this time.

Copley Road Guardrail Request

Received an update from ODOT for the requested guardrail at 2540 Copley Road. ODOT indicated that while a guardrail is not warranted, ODOT would further investigate if any additional improvements would be appropriate.

Ridgewood Road/Cleveland Massillon Road Turning Lanes

Received an update from the County Engineer's Office for the project to install turn lanes at the intersection of Ridgewood and Cleveland Massillon Roads. The utilities are being moved. The contracts have been executed and a preconstruction meeting was held. The project is expected to begin August 3rd and will take about 200 days running into the start of school. School traffic will be affected as they anticipate more cars due to the COVID-19 pandemic and fewer bus routes.

Safety Town will be held virtually August 3-6, 2020.

New Business

Summit County has been designated a Risk Level 3/Red triggering mandatory Facial Coverings to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

Trustee Koellner moved approval to suspend transient vendor licenses throughout Copley Township until at least September 15, 2020 for safety reasons due to the COVID-19 virus and Level 3 designation in Summit County. Second by Trustee Schulte, all voting aye.

Movie Night in Copley Park has been suspended indefinitely due to safety concerns surrounding the COVID-19 virus.

Executive Session

Trustee Dressler made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss benefits of employment in all departments, acquisition of property; pending litigation; and employment in the Service Department. Second by Trustee Schulte. Roll-call vote: Trustee Dressler, aye; Trustee Koellner, aye; and Trustee Schulte, aye.

A five minute recess was called; the session began at 8:10 p.m.

Trustee Dressler moved to reconvene the Regular meeting at 9:20 p.m.; second by Trustee Koellner; all voting aye.

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Adjournment

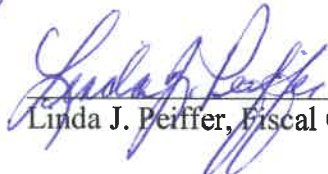
At 9:20 p.m., with no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Dressler moved to adjourn, second by Trustee Koellner; all voting aye.

Approved by:

Respectfully submitted:



Scott D. Dressler, President



Linda J. Peiffer, Fiscal Officer