

TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF MEETING OF MAY 8, 2017
MEETING LOCATION: TWIN TOWNSHIP GARAGE
11474 KERAN STREET, BOURNEVILLE, OHIO 45617

President Michael Whitt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Officials present at roll call were: President Michael Whitt, Vice-President Michael Darbyshire, Trustee Bryan Bethel, and Fiscal Officer William Jones.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived.

RESOLUTION 2017-05-08-01: Motion was made by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Bethel to approve the minutes as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

none

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

none

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION

Mr. Darbyshire reported :

1. He is in the process of investigating applying for a Mead-Massie grant to help fence in the south part of the township cemetery.
2. Bill Kitts of Emerald Lane requested permission from the township to extend his existing driveway culvert.

Mr. Whitt reported:

1. He has notified the cemetery mowing contractors that mowing should be done about every 10 days due to the recent rains.
2. The grant for new signs will be submitted before the June 9, 2017, grant deadline to the Ohio Department of Transportation. Total cost of the signs to be covered by the grant will be about \$6,000.

The Fiscal Officer reported:

FINANCIAL

RESOLUTION 2017-05-08-02:

Motion by Mr. Bethel and second by Mr. Darbyshire to approve:

- a) payment of bills as presented
- b) Purchase Orders and blanket certificates as presented

All voted yes. motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Darbyshire reported:

1. Backhoe "thumb" price from Murphy Tractor and Equipment is \$4,940.78.
2. The culvert on east side of Hatmaker Lane needs cleaned.
3. The Ross County Engineer observed that a culvert needs replaced on Harris Station Road.
4. The culvert on Poplar Ridge Road needs stabilized due to expanded water line located there.
5. Repair work needs to be done on Rueb Hill Road.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2017-05-08-03:

Mr. Bethel moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of Twin Township, Ross County, Ohio, and it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of such limitation, now therefore be it

Resolved, by the Board of Trustees of Twin Township, Ross County, Ohio, two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, that it is necessary to levy a 2 mill renewal of an existing tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of Twin Township, Ross County, Ohio, for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire

apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites therefore, or sources of water supply and materials therefore, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent, part-time or volunteer fire fighters or fire fighting companies to operate the same, including the payment of the fireman employer's contribution under Section 742.34 of the Revised Code, or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a fire department or fire fighting company,

Resolved, that the Clerk of this Board of Trustees of Twin Township, be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Ross County Auditor; and be it further

Resolved, that the Ross County Auditor certify to the Board of Trustees of Twin Township the current tax valuation and the dollar amount of revenue that will be generated by 2 mills.

Section 5705.19 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes the submission of this tax to the electors.

Mr. Darbyshire seconded the resolution, and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Darbyshire: Yea

Mr. Whitt: Yea

Mr. Bethel: Yea

RESOLUTION 2017-5-8-4: moved by Mr. Daryshire and seconded by Mr. Whitt:

Twin Township does not offer a group health insurance plan for employees or public officials. Therefore, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 505.601, Twin Township shall provide reimbursement of the cost of health insurance premiums for full-time employees and public officials of Twin Township that are secured through another source, effective January 1, 2017. The maximum annual reimbursement per employee or public official shall not exceed \$4,950 per individual (\$10,000 if reimbursement is for a family plan). To qualify for this provision, Twin Township must be considered an "Eligible Employer", meaning the township employs fewer than 50 full-time equivalent employees, and does not offer a group health plan to any of it's employees. Twin Township meets these requirements as well as the 4 criteria listed in the Ohio Auditor of State's Bulletin 2017-002 required to offer this benefit, which are:

1. It is provided uniformly to all eligible employees
2. It is funded solely by the eligible employer
3. No salary reduction contributions are made under the reimbursement plan
4. Payments and reimbursements for any year do not exceed \$4,950 per employee (\$10,000 for family)

This resolution to be submitted to the Ross County Prosecutor for his review and opinion before it is enacted. All voted yes. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2017-5-8-5: moved by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Bethel:

To approve the following grant applications for 2017/18 to the Ohio Division of EMS:

1. Training and Equipment Grant: amount and purpose to be determined later
2. EMS Board Priority Grant: a competitive grant of \$25,000 for purpose of purchasing a heart defibullator.
3. All voted yes. Motion passed.

With no further business to come before the Trustees, motion by Mr. Bethel and second by Mr. Darbyshire to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. All voted yes. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 5/8/17 TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MEETING:

Michael Whitt, President

Michael Darbyshire, Vice-President

Bryan Bethel, Trustee