

TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2019
MEETING LOCATION: TWIN TOWNSHIP GARAGE 11474 KERAN STREET

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. Guests were Marty Johnson, Adam Ball, Melissa Weaver.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived

RESOLUTION 2019-12-16-01: *Motion* was made by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Darbyshire to approve the minutes as presented and also the agenda for the meeting. All voted yes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Fire Chief Marty Johnson reported the following:

1. Caleb Swepston has applied for membership to the Fire and Emergency Squad.
2. Life Pac issue was discussed. The Chief reported the new Life Pac was needed as recommended since one of the two life pacs would go out of warranty at the end of 2019. Funding was reviewed and determined by the Trustees that the unit could not be purchased out-right due to lack of available revenues in either Fire or Emergency fund. Motion made by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Whitt to purchase the unit on a 2-year lease-purchase basis. all voted yes. Motion passed.
3. Maintenance agreement for Life Pac 15 for 2020 will be \$1,530. Motion made by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Whitt to approve the maintenance agreement. All voted yes. Motion passed.
4. New oxygen bottles for firefighters are needed as the current ones are no longer certifiable and cannot pass inspection. Cost is estimated to be \$7,000. Motion by Mr. Bethel and second by Mr. Darbyshire to approve the purchase. All voted yes. Motion passed.
5. Hose testing needs to be completed at an estimated cost of \$2,500. Motion made by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Whitt to approve the hose testing. All voted yes. Motion passed.
6. Suggestion that the Trustees consider putting a levy on the ballot to fund emergency staffing for Twin Township Fire/EMS department. Cost analysis and a budget will be presented at a future regular Trustees meeting.
7. Suggested changes to the Fire/EMS Standard Operating Guidelines were discussed. A special meeting will be called by President Whitt sometime in January, 2020 to review proposed changes.

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION:

The Fiscal Officer reported that he received a phone call from a resident that didn't want to identify him/herself and asked that a nuisance be declared on the property located at 18 Fry Drive. The Trustees agreed to inspect the property to determine if it met the criteria to be declared a nuisance property according to township policy.

The Fiscal Officer reported that this year, 3 members of the volunteer fire department were laid off from their full-time regular jobs and are receiving unemployment payments. Since the township pays a stipend for emergency runs, the township is also required to pay part of these unemployment claims, even though the members are still active and making runs for the township. State Senator Peterson and State Representative Sherer have been contacted to see if they can help correct this situation.

Mr. Bethel reported that he was contacted by a resident regarding dumping of tires along Harris Station Road. He said E.P.A. has been notified and will be cleaning it up.

FINANCIAL

RESOLUTION 2019-12-16-02:

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

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

- c) supplemental appropriations as presented
 - d) interfund advances as presented
 - e) adopt the following as temporary appropriations for 2020:
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| FUND 1000 GENERAL: | \$120,000.00 |
| FUND 2011 MOTOR VEH. | \$14,000.00 |
| FUND 2021 GAS TAX | \$88,000.00 |
| FUND 2031 RD & BRIDGE | \$80,000.00 |
| FUND 2041 CEMT | \$30,000.00 |
| FUND 2191 FIRE | \$132,475.66 |
| FUND 2281 EMS | \$21,000.00 |
| FUND 2401 SPEC ASSESS. (STR LITES) | \$8,500.00 |

Upon call for vote, Mr. Whitt: yes; Mr. Darbyshire: yes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

The draft letter to Paxton Township requesting the return of Twin Township’s life pac was reviewed. The letter was signed by Mr. Whitt and Mr. Darbyshire. The Fiscal Officer was directed to mail the letter by President Whitt.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Bethel to approve a direct deposit agreement with LNCB National Bank. This agreement will allow for direct deposit of paychecks. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Bethel and seconded by Mr. Darbyshire to adjourn at 8:53 p.m. All voted yes. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 12/16/19 TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MEETING:

Michael Whitt, President

Michael Darbyshire, Vice-President

Bryan Bethel, Trustee