

The Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, Tuesday, May 16, 2017, was called to order at approximately 7:00 PM by Chairman Tomaino, at the Town Hall. After the Pledge of Allegiance roll call was taken. Chairman Tomaino, Trustee Weimer, Trustee Campbell, Fiscal Officer Balsinger, Fire Chief Maynard, Police Chief VanDyke, Zoning Inspector Kurilla, Road & Cemetery David Dunn, Sr., Administrative Assistant Nicole Phillips were all present.

Trustee Weimer moved to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of April 18, 2017, 05-16-17-01, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Fiscal Officer Balsinger gave the financial report through April 30, 2017 - Total Fund Balances available for Milton Township are \$1,958,353.56. The General Fund balance is \$473,691.81, which represents approximately 24% of all funds available. The Fiscal Officer asked for approval of payments by Warrants #29443 through #29479 and EFT #128 thru #196 totaling \$65,676.16. Receipts to date are \$515,452.23 as of April 30, 2017. YTD Expenditure as of 4/30/17 is \$322,637.28 which represents 28% of the budgeted amount.. Ms. Balsinger also reported all departments are within their budgets and received their departmental reports.

Trustee Campbell moved to approve the financial report, and to approve the payments by Warrants #29443 through #29479 and EFT #128 thru #196 totaling \$65,676.16, 05-16-17-02, seconded by Trustee Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

ROAD & CEMETERY DEPARTMENTS:

Road Report:

1. Sureline will be working Tuesday and Wednesday on the parking lot.
2. The new signs were installed on Mahoning Avenue by Duck Creek
3. Few areas washed out during heavy rains that have been repaired.
4. Continue to patch potholes.
5. Mow tractor has been welded & doing an inspection we have uncovered more problems. (bearings, shaft, etc.)
6. Akron tractor submitted some estimates for tractors and attachments that fit the tractor we have.
7. Stoltz Road project missed the funding again this year.
8. Mr. Dunn will get a price for a new blower to be able to blow off debris at cemeteries.
9. Mr. Campbell asked Dave to remove the no trespassing sign that is on the Milton Community Building property.

Cemetery Report:

No report this month

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Maynard reported April had a total of 21 calls. 21 in Milton Township. Calls were – 1 structure fires, 2 accident, 10 medical, 2 grass fire, 0 carbon monoxide, 1 trees/wires down, 0 car fire, 1 water emergency/rescue, 0 mutual aid, 3 burning complaints, 1 alarm activations, 0 gas leak and 0 other. 87 total calls for 2017. Total Medical Transports in March by MFD – 11.

1. All bills have been submitted for payment to the Fiscal Officer.
2. Chief Maynard will purchase candy for everyone to have for the Memorial Day Parade.

3. Received report for ISO audit, Milton Township received a 4 for areas with hydrants and 4Y for areas with no hydrants. This is a significant improvement and will impact home owner insurance in lowering their cost for fire insurance. A news release will be given to place on the township Facebook page and submitted to the Vindicator. Residents need to inform their insurance companies of the new rating.
4. We have removed all the equipment from the old ambulance and still need to remove the lettering before we advertise it for sale.
5. Chief completed 3 fire inspections in April.
6. Chief attended the all Fire Chiefs meeting on May 9th. They discussed the joint EMS district and have decided to continue to operate as we are now and providing mutual aid when requested. A letter will be submitted to the County Auditor thanking him for his concern and that at this time it is not a workable solution for the rural departments in this area.
7. Chief Maynard has some concerns with the trees dying along both County and Township Roads. Recently a tree fell along I-76 critically injuring the driver. I believe the same thing could happen on our roads. Chief would like to have letters sent to ODOT and the County Engineer asking them to see what can be done to correct this situation.
8. Chief received a call from University Hospitals (Dan Ellenberger) letting us know they are going to provide a LUCAS device to Milton Fire, this device will perform CPR on individuals in cardiac arrest. This device is very costly and something we could not afford on our own. They will present this device to Milton Fire on May 22nd @ 6:30pm. We will be only one of very few departments in Mahoning County that will have this device to use. Being a rural department this will be a valuable tool in saving lives.
9. We need to purchase some fittings to be compatible with our neighboring departments for the water movement when utilizing the tanker for mutual aid. Costs of these fittings are \$792.00.
10. All the Township's extinguishers were tested for 2017 last week, most tested ok we had to send a few to be tested but they should be back in a week or so.
11. Chief received the permit from the state for the fueling station at Meshel Park, they have begun construction of this tank and before they can place the fuel in the Chief will need to inspect this location to insure the safety and leak protection is in place.
12. Chief asked to have two air cards activated for the iPads in fire trucks.

Trustee Weimer moved to purchase the new fittings for the tanker trucks to make them compatible to neighboring departments when on mutual aid., 05-16-17-03, seconded by Trustee Campbell and passed with 3 ayes.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Kurilla reported two permits issued for the month of April. Permit # 2085 for Single Family Dwelling, Permit # 2088 Fence, One Ag Exemptions was granted. Estimated valuation for the month of April \$229,690.00 - Estimate valuation to date of year 2017, \$634,090.00, Total amount of permit fees for the month of April \$1,047.00 -Total amount of receipts to YTD 2017 \$2,937.

NE River Road by Ottawa came off Demo List because the homeowner paid delinquent taxes and tax foreclosure. In doing so, this prevents the Landbank from acquiring the property and therefore cannot perform the demolition.

The Jones property is being cleaned up. The MacDonald family has begun again on restoration of their property on Pointview.

The new Sparkle sign has been erected on the corner of Grandview and Mahoning.

The NE Ohio Planning & Zoning Workshop will be on June 9, 2017 at Avalon Inn and Conference Center in Howland, Mr. Kurilla requested the Township to pay a non-member fee of \$60 for registration.

Trustee Campbell moved to pay the registration fee for the zoning conference on June 9th in the amount of \$60 for members of the Zoning Commission that are available to attend. 05-16-17-04, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. Total calls for service April 2017 for Milton Township Police. Department responded to approximately 149 calls for service. Investigations 60, alarms 13, accidents 3, 0 medical assists. Traffic stops 47 / 30 warnings, traffic citations 12.
2. Cruiser #503 had repairs costing approximately \$1,000, # 505 repairs from striking a deer. Approximately \$3,000
3. Officer Estabrook graduated from University of Phoenix with a BS in Information Technology.
4. Interview Room recorder needs repaired or replaced. Trustee's tabled this until further information.
5. Couple more officers were fitted for vest under grant money that is still available.
6. Department participated in the National Prescription Drug Take Back day on April 29, 2017. We collected one box of old prescription medication and turned it over to the DEA for proper disposal.
7. Email was sent to township requesting a no parking sign to be put up on Maplewood Avenue. Trustees feel that it is one homeowner parking on street and would like to see this resolved without putting a sign up.
8. New Non-Emergency number is 330-259-1711 scheduled transfer June 26
9. Recognized Officer Oxley and Bash on drug arrest on State Route 534.
10. Recognize Officer Saltsman for going above and beyond in helping two older females who had a flat tire and no means to pay for assistance. Officer Saltsman changed the flat tire for the two and sent them on their way.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter for Open office hours for State Rep John Bocchieri on Monday May 22, 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM at Copeland Oaks Retirement Community. Constituents are welcome to stop and discuss any topics of interest or concern.
2. Tentative agenda from JM School Board
3. First Energy sent notice of Vegetation maintenance on Milton property and the spraying of herbicide.
4. The Township received a letter from residents, Dean & Sandi Figinsky thanking Dave Dunn for all his hard work fixing the streets and to let the board know how they appreciate his hard work.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on parking lot sealing-Just beginning work but Dave notice the attention to detail that they are giving to correct problems as they seal.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Resolution reaffirming investment policy with no changes.
2. Trustees would like to reinvest in a new CD with the money from the old CD coming due.
3. Fiscal Officer was contacted about changing electric provider, still need more information on exact prices.

Chairman Tomaino moved to reaffirm the existing investment policy with no changes., 05-16-17-05, seconded by Trustee Campbell and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Campbell moved to reinvest monies from old CD into a new CD., 05-16-17-06, seconded by Chairman Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Chairman Tomaino moved to have fiscal change and sign for new electric service provider if prices are better than what we are paying now., 05-16-17-07, seconded by Trustee Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

Chief Maynard would also like to follow through with finishing the lettering on the fire station. The trustees were in agreement with this.

Reminders:

*NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY, June 20, 2017 --7 PM-FIRE STATION REGULAR MEETING
MCTA Summer Dinner Meeting at Coon Hunters Club at 6pm June 15, 2017*

Public Comments:

Elizabeth Shank, 14609 Pritchard Ohltown, wanted to voice her concern about pot holes on her road. This road is between Trumbull and Mahoning Counties she wasn't sure who she needed to contact with her concerns. The road has been repaired, but because of being wheelchair bound she would like to see the road maintained to help her with mobility and not to fall in disrepair. Dave will contact Newton Township about getting this done. He will also check with Berlin on the use of their crack seal machine.

Chairman Tomaino moved to go into executive session to discuss wages, benefits & employee disciplinary action, 05-16-17-08, seconded by Trustee Weimer, and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Tomaino moved to come out of executive session and return to regular session at 10:02 PM, 05-16-17-09, seconded by Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Campbell moved to send a Thank you and \$100 Visa gift card of appreciation to Zack Williams, Dave Dunn, Sr. and Harold Maynard for putting in their extra personal time and extra work for the Township., 05-16-17-10, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Campbell moved to coordinate with prosecutors office on discipline or possible termination of Officer Dan Barb and place him on paid administrative leave until a hearing can be held regarding this matter effective May 17, 2017, 05-16-17-11, seconded by Trustee Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

Chairman Tomaino moved to adjourn the meeting, 05-16-17-12, seconded by Trustee Campbell and passed with 3 ayes.

June 20, 2017

