

The Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, Tuesday, March 21, 2023, 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 Villone, Trustee DiBernardi, Fiscal Officer Balsinger, Fire Chief Maynard, Police Chief VanDyke, Zoning Inspector Kurilla, and Road & Cemetery David Dunn, Sr., were all present.

**Trustee DiBernardi moved to approve the minutes from Regular of February 21, 2023 and Special Meeting on March 6, 2023, 03-21-23-01,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Fiscal Officer Balsinger gave the financial report through February 28, 2023 - The General Fund balance is \$498,466.27, Restricted Funds Total \$1,750,767.37. Total Fund Balances available for Milton Township are \$2,249,233.64. The Fiscal Officer asked for approval of payments by Warrants #32557 through #32610 and EFT #35 thru #153 totaling \$161,487.43. Receipts to date are \$177,123.59 as of February 28, 2023. YTD Expenditure \$257,224.12. Fiscal Officer requests the approval of one reallocation.

**Trustee Villone moved to approve the financial report, and to approve the payments by Warrants #32557 through #32610 and EFT #35 thru #153 totaling \$161,487.43, 03-21-23-02,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

The department has responded to 408 Calls for February, 12 reports, 38 citations, 5 crashes and 130 traffic warnings.

**Trustee Villone moved to pay for a bulk of new ammunition before state pricing increases, 03-21-23-03,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to send two officers for a two day Evidence Room Management course at Stark County Sheriff's 03-21-23-04,** seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

#### **ROAD & CEMETERY DEPARTMENTS:**

##### **Road Report:**

1. Working on potholes until the department can get patch next month
2. Two estimates on mowing, and two people were a no show.
3. Working on estimates for parking lots and paving projects for Scott Cliff and Pico.

**Trustee Villone moved to accept the estimate from Ricky Morrison for summer mowing, 03-21-23-05,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

##### **Cemetery Report:**

No burials, Removed two trees along the driveway in Eckis that were dead.

##### **Recycling:**

Nothing to report

#### **ZONING:**

Zoning Inspector Kurilla submitted his report. Four permits issued for the month of February. The Estimated valuation for the month of February is \$858,425.00 -Total amount of permit fees for the month of February is \$3,890.00 -Total amount of receipts to YTD 2023 \$4,070.00.

Mr. Kurilla submitted a letter of resignation for Alternate member Steve DeGenaro.

**Trustee Villone moved to accept the resignation of Steve DeGenaro from the zoning Commission. 03-21-23-06** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Chief Maynard reported February had a total of 29 calls. 20 in Milton Township and 9 other. Calls were – 0 structure fire, 3 accidents, 17 medical, 0 grass fires, 0 carbon monoxide, 0 trees/wires down, 0 car fire, 0 water emergency/rescue, 9 mutual aid, 0 burning complaints, 0 alarm activations, 0 gas leak and 0 other. 69 total calls for 2023. Total Medical Transports in February by MFD – 15.

1. All bills have been submitted for payment to the Fiscal Officer.
2. The department has an opportunity to purchase 2.5 year old rescue tools to place in the squad. The tools are a match to our existing battery operated tool. To purchase new would cost approximately \$60,000 they are asking \$18,000.00.
3. Clothes dryer has given out need to purchase a new one.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Chairman Tomaino moved to pass the final order for demolition on 17970 Mahoning Ave., 03-21-23-07,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Villone moved to give owners of 17970 Mahoning Ave 60 days to demo or the township will proceed forward with the demo, 03-21-23-08,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee DiBernardi moved to approve and sign legal services agreement for USDA Grant, 03-21-23-09,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Approve Permanent appropriations – Fiscal Officer Balsinger submitted Permanent Appropriations totaling \$2,391,073.44 for approval.

**Trustee Villone moved to approve the permanent appropriations presented by Fiscal Officer Balsinger in the amount of \$2,391,073.44, 03-21-23-10,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi, and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee DiBernardi moved to approve and pay the BWC group rating, 03-21-23-11,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Villone moved to hold a Mandatory Sexual Harassment in the workplace training on May 22, 2023, 03-21-23-12,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to file a claim with Otarma for expenses on the East Palestine response, 03-21-23-13,** seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to approve the purchase of rescue tools in the amount of \$18,000, 03-21-23-14,** seconded by Trustee Villone and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to approve the purchase of a new dryer for the fire department, 03-21-23-15,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Villone moved to approve a donation payment of \$1,000 to the Mahoning County SWAT, 03-21-23-16,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to approve the resolution to vacate the Road Anchor Way, 03-21-23-17,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

Also Trustee DiBernardi will have a special meeting with residents and business owners from Milton Township on Tuesday April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7PM, Ms. DiBernardi also submitted copies of funding request to Senator Brown's office, project Forest Ave and Representative Bill Johnson Office, project Administration building.

**Reminders:**

*NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023--7 PM-TOWNHALL REGULAR MEETING  
MCTA SPRING DINNER HOSTED BY POLAND APRIL 20, 2023*

**Public Comments:**

None

**Trustee Tomaino moved to go into executive session at 8:12 PM to discuss wages, benefits and/or employee disciplinary action, 03-21-23-18,** seconded by Trustee Villone, and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Tomaino moved to come out of executive session and return to regular session at 8:43 PM, 03-21-23-19,** seconded by Trustee DiBernardi and passed with 3 ayes.

**Trustee Villone moved to adjourn the meeting, 03-21-23-20,** seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Date: 4-18-23