

TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF MEETING OF OCTOBER 14, 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, Trustee Bryan Bethel, and Fiscal Officer William Jones. Vice-President Michael Darbyshire was absent . Also present: Marty Johnson, Fire Chief; Roger Smithson, Fire Fighter, Emily Schmidt, Ross County Sheriff Representative.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived

RESOLUTION 2019-10-4-01: Motion was made by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Bethel to approve the minutes as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Emily Schmidt spoke on behalf of the Ross County Sheriff's Department, and asked if there were any issues or concerns the Trustees wished to relay to the Sheriff.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

The report was given by Marty Johnson, Fire Chief.

1. The department had a successful open house at the Fire House, and Fire Prevention week was a positive experience for Paint Valley Elementary students who benefited from the joint program with the Bainbridge Fire Department.
2. All Fire Reports are now up-to-date with State Fire Marshal's office.
3. The Fire Chief presented proposed changes to the Fire/EMS Department's "Standard Operating Guidelines". The Trustees will review proposed changes and discuss at a future meeting.
4. The Fire Chief expressed concern regarding space available for storage of fire/EMS vehicles and equipment. A discussion was held about space expansion. Several options were discussed, such as a possible addition to the fire house, or possible construction of a new storage building on township property across North Alley. No decision was reached, and this will be discussed further at a later meeting.
5. The grant for a new life pac applied for from "FireHouse Subs" was denied. Discussion was held regarding possible replacement of the life pac that will not be covered by the maintenance agreement after the end of this calendar year. The Trustees directed the Fiscal Officer to analyze the fire and EMS budget and present that information for the Trustees to review and discuss at the next meeting. Estimated cost of a new Life Pac was \$26,175 with an additional cost for the maintenance agreement, bringing the total cost to approximately \$30,000.
6. The Fire Chief provided to the Trustees a copy of a report from the Ohio Department of Public Safety regarding their conclusion of a matter brought to their attention by an unknown individual concerning the Fire Chief.
7. It has been discovered that the batteries on the Fire Tanker were also damaged by the electrical strike that hit the Fire House in August, 2019. Receipts of replacement of batteries will be provided to the Fiscal Officer to see if the costs can be reimbursed by the township's insurance carrier.
8. The Fire Chief reported that some used playground equipment has been donated to fire department. He asked the Trustees if it would be possible to have this equipment installed on the lot located at the corner of Taylor Street and Upper Twin Road. The Trustees will investigate this option to see if it is feasible to do.

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION:

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

Trick or Treat night for Twin Township shall be same as Chillicothe's: October 31 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

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

FINANCIAL

RESOLUTION 2019-10-14-02:

Motion by Mr. Bethel 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) approve the resolution recommended by the township's insurance carrier, "OTARMA", whereby the township can utilize the insurance carrier for coverage for officials and employees instead of requiring the purchase of individual surety bonds
- f) request issuance of new amended certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect increase revenue received in funds 2191 and 2401.

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

OLD BUSINESS

none

NEW BUSINESS

none

Motion by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Bethel to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. All voted yes. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 10/14/19 TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MEETING:

Michael Whitt, President

Michael Darbyshire, Vice-President

Bryan Bethel, Trustee