

Minutes
LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Special Meeting
Monday, May 2, 2016

Meeting called to order: 10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Trustee Lynda Bowers, Trustee Bryon Macron, Trustee Michael Costello, Fiscal Officer Shirley Bailey.

Roll Call: Bowers-yes, Macron-yes, Costello-yes

Ms. Bowers informed everyone that a new resolution has been written due to specifications and a specific form as part of the process to go to bond. Mr. Thorne said the bond must say specifically what the township intends on building and include any furnishings. Ms. Bowers stated the township is hopeful in acquiring the land at the corner of Route 162 and Lake Road with the possibility of one day moving all township departments there. Currently, Lafayette is interested in building a Fire/Rescue building with a multi-purpose room. Ms. Bowers would like the Fire/Rescue building to be built so that it can be added on to in the future if needed.

Ms. Bowers obtained information from First Merit regarding municipal bond. She said in order to go to ballot in August, the language must be submitted by 4:00 p.m. May 4, 2016. Ms. Bowers stated if Lafayette Township intends on the building process starting in 2017, this needs to go to the ballot in August, otherwise construction can't begin until 2018. Discussion was held and it was decided to go to ballot this August. The estimated cost to go to ballot in August is \$6500.00. Because the trustees previously decided to utilize Daniel Fredericks for the entire process, Ms. Bowers suggested we can start preliminary drawings.

Ms. Bowers explained the average \$150,000.00 market value home would pay \$131.25 per year over 15 years if the township goes with a \$4 million dollar levy. The \$4 million dollars would include the interest which means Lafayette would be able to build approximately a \$3.5 million building.

Review and discussion of ballot language took place.

Ms. Bowers made a motion to submit to the Electorate, a bond levy to raise \$4 million to pay for the cost of construction and furnishings of a fire and rescue station including a multi-purpose meeting room. An additional levy to be placed on the August 2, 2016 ballot. Mr. Costello seconded the motion. All voting in favor.

Mr. Thorne will prepare the proper paperwork, the trustees will sign the paperwork and file before 4:00pm on May 4, 2016.

Resolution 11-2016. Ms. Bowers move to approve a resolution declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mil limitation for the purposes of submitting to the electorate, a bond levy to raise \$4 million to pay for the cost of construction and furnishings of a fire and rescue station including a multi-purpose meeting room. An additional levy to be placed on the August 2, 2016 ballot. At a rate not exceeding 2.5 mils for each one dollar valuation which amounts to \$4 million over 15 years consistent with our certification. Mr. Macron seconded the motion. All voting in favor.

Discussion was held and it was determined the trustees are in agreement to move forward with the “design bid build” opposed to the design build for the potential new fire rescue station. It was also discussed whether to utilize a construction manager or not. Mr. Thorne said a good contractor is important because the architect is typically not on site enough to advise of any issues. He feels a weekly visit by the architect to the construction site is not enough. Mr. Thorne said a construction manager, or construction manager at risk, must be bid and this would need to be decided on before the bid of building.

Review, discussion and recommendations of the architect contract along with the latest changes to the contract took place. Mr. Thorne recommended the architect increase the insurance coverage to cover the entire cost of the building. Mr. Thorne will redraft the contract.

Dialogue took place regarding the 2016 donation to the Medina County SPCA.

Mr. Macron made a motion to approve \$1500.00 for a donation to the SPCA. Mr. Costello seconded the motion. All voting in favor.

Mr. Costello moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Macron.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Approved: _____

Lynda Bowers, Trustee

Bryon Macron, Trustee

Michael Costello, Trustee

Shirley Bailey, Fiscal Officer