

Minutes
LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
Monday, March 20, 2017

Meeting called to order: 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Trustee Lynda Bowers, Trustee Michael Costello, Trustee Martin Warchola, Fiscal Officer Shirley Bailey.

Ms. Bowers announced that she and Trustee Costello interviewed six amazing candidates for the trustee position. Mr. Costello thanked the candidates and stated all are well qualified with excellent backgrounds and the decision was a difficult one. The trustees announced the appointment of Marty Warchola as the new Lafayette Township Trustee. Mr. Warchola has been a township resident for nearly thirty years and has been interactive with a variety of township activities, has great relations with several county agencies and the trustees feel Mr. Warchola would serve the township well.

Ms. Bowers swore in Mr. Martin Warchola as Lafayette Township Trustee.

Mr. Costello moved to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2017- Special Meeting. Ms. Bowers seconded the motion. Mr. Warchola abstained. All voting in favor.

Financial Report: Ms. Bailey reported:

Fund Balance: \$2,466,606.72
Pooled Investments: \$1,547,143.70
Available Checking Balance: \$919,463.02

Ms. Bailey stated there are no requisitions this evening.

Service:

Mr. Evans reported:

- Plow and salt roads
- Clean up downed trees from March 8th windstorm
- Pick-up trash along roadsides
- Clean debris out of culverts
- Ordered 75 ton of salt on 3/20/17
- County opened Deerview Road Bid 3/16/17- CSX crossing
- Road Bids are scheduled to be opened on March 23rd – Special meeting will be held March 27th to award the bids
- Equipment and vehicles have been kept cleaned and polished
- Equipment and vehicle maintenance maintained
- Welded the salt spreader on the F-550- currently can't find replacement parts
- Montrose Ford informed the new F-550 is in and once delivery is taken Mr. Evans will transport to Henderson Truck Equipment for outfitting and Roberts in Brunswick for the graphics

- Kept shop and town hall cleaned
- Stripped and waxed Administration building floors
- Mr. Evans stated we have not taken possession of the allocated salt for 2016-2017 and may need to increase the size of the temporary salt bin when we are forced to take delivery

Fire Department Report: Chief Hall reported a total of 37 runs for the month February (4-Fire, 28-EMS to Lafayette Township, 0- Fire, 3-EMS to Village of Chippewa Lake, 0- Fire, 0-EMS to Gloria Glens, 0-Fire, 2-EMS Mutual Aid, 0- Mobile Integrated Health). Fuel Usage: 162.7 gallons of fuel, 1,254 miles were logged on all vehicles.

Chief Hall asked if the Board of Trustees have taken action regarding a hydrant agreement with the County Engineer's Office. Chief was in attendance at a meeting along with Ms. Galvin-Lyon and Bill Thorne to review the paperwork for fire departments. Chief Hall stated he feels this is an agreement that will benefit the township. Ms. Bowers will confirm approval of the contract with Mr. Thorne.

Chief Hall introduced new applicant, Mr. Sean Kelly, Lafayette Township resident – 240 medic. Chief Hall requested the trustees approval in hiring Mr. Kelly.

Ms. Bowers moved to approve the application and hiring of Mr. Sean Kelly subject to background checks and remainder of the hiring process, with a one year probationary period under the condition he accomplishes all his probationary requirements. Mr. Costello seconded the motion. All voting in favor.

Ms. Bowers swore in Mr. Sean Kelly.

Ms. Bowers informed Chief Hall that Commissioner Geissman and Senator Obhoff are requesting a video interview regarding the progression of Mobile Integrated Health (Community Paramedicine). Ms. Bowers request that Mr. Costello and Chris Blair arrange for the interview.

Chief Hall stated with the recent tragic events concerning Trustee Macron and employees enduring a very difficult time, Assistant Chief Winter requested services from members from the Critical Stress Management team. Their services were very beneficial to the employees and Chief inquired whether or not the township would be willing to make a donation to them. Ms. Bowers said there is money in the fire levy fund and suggests making a donation from that fund. Ms. Bowers asked if there was anything different we as a township could've done differently. Chief Hall said he didn't believe so and the team of individuals brought in were effective. The biggest struggle was trying to locate a team and now the department has resources readily available.

Police Report:

Deputy Harhay reported a total of 382 dispatch calls for the month of February. He highlighted the main calls.

Zoning Report:

Ms. Strogin reported as of the end of February there were six new home permits issued, four of which were from Ryan Homes. The estimated values thus far for the year are \$ 1,985,825.00. The footer certification fees collected are \$2,913.20 and the process with the footer certifications is

progressing. Ms. Bowers requested Ms. Strogin's laptop be given to Ms. Osborne, zoning secretary. Ms. Strogin agreed because the laptop is set up for WiFi and she does not have WiFi at home.

Recreation:

Mr. Costello made a motion accepting the contract from Great Lakes Portables Toilet Rental for the two portable toilets not to exceed \$550.00 for the baseball season. The toilets are scheduled for delivery early April and pick up is scheduled for mid-July. Ms. Bowers seconded the motion. All voting in favor.

Old Business:

Ms. Buell announced she received information regarding the Costco membership. The membership cannot be listed in the township name, each individual shopping there must have their own paid membership and they do not offer discounts for businesses. The trustees agreed there is no benefit for the township to acquire a membership. .

New Business:

None

Public Participation:

Resident, Mr. Clifford welcomed Mr. Warchola to the Board of Trustees.

Ms. Bowers moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Costello

Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Approved: _____

Lynda Bowers, Trustee

Michael Costello, Trustee

Martin Warchola, Trustee

Shirley Bailey, Fiscal Officer