

Minutes  
**LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
Special Meeting, Thursday, May 28, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

The Lafayette Township Board of Trustees, Medina County, Ohio met in special session, Thursday, May 28, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at the Lafayette Safety Services Building, Technology Lane, Medina, OH. Notice of this meeting was consistent with ORC 121.22 and the township's open meeting policy.

The meeting called to order at 9:15 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:** Trustees Lynda Bowers, Michael Costello and Marty Warchola,  
Also present: Law Director William Thorne, Fire Chief Ralph Copley (Wadsworth retired, Medina Co),  
Fire Chief Tracy Hogue (Jackson Twp., Stark Co.) Fire Chief Phil McClain (Richfield Twp/Village,  
Summit Co.) and Alan Robbins, Chippewa Lake Village Council.

Trustee Bowers stated the purpose of the meeting is to interview and discuss six applicants for the position of fire chief.

**Trustee Bowers made a motion seconded by Trustee Warchola to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel, hiring and compensation. Roll Call vote, Bowers – yes, Costello – yes, Warchola – yes.**

Executive Session held, all reported as also in attendance invited. Special meeting resumed at 3:56 p.m.

Trustee Bowers noted that interviews were held in executive session to afford applicants the privacy rights environment they were entitled to but did not feel it necessary to hold those conducting the interviews to any executive session confidentiality requirement. The board agreed. **Ms. Bowers made a motion seconded by Mr. Warchola to waive the executive session confidentiality requirement regarding discussion and information sharing that occurred in executive session. All voting in favor, motion passed.**

**Trustee Bowers made a motion seconded by Mr. Costello to authorize employment physicals to be conducted by Med Pro in Wooster retroactive to April 1, 2020. All voting in favor, motion passed.**

**Ms. Bowers reported the County Planning services requested reauthorization of the \$1,000 contribution for the Euclid Ave., infrastructure improvement (bridge project) to bring the document dates current. Ms. Bowers made a motion seconded by Mr. Costello to reauthorize. All voting in favor, motion passed.**

COVID-19 accommodations: Trustees agreed to continue stocking items for meal preparation for station staffing first responders. This is deemed necessary to limit exposure from people entering the building as well as avoiding the need for first responders to make unnecessary trips to public areas and returning to the station.

A special meeting was scheduled for Monday, June 1 at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Approved:

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Laura Ruebensaal, Fiscal Officer

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Lynda Bowers, Trustee

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Michael Costello, Trustee

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Martin Warchola, Trustee