

Minutes
LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Special Meeting
Wednesday, July 22, 2015

Meeting called to order: 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Ms. Bowers made a motion to recess into executive session at 6:01 p.m. for the purposes of discussing personnel compensation, employment, demotion, and discipline pursuant to section 121.22G. Mr. Costello seconded the motion. All voting in favor.

Joining executive session will be Mr. Bill Thorne

Roll call vote: Bowers-yes, Macron-yes, Costello-yes.

6:08 p.m. Mr. Macron moved to adjourn executive session and reconvene to the Regular Meeting.

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

Ms. Bowers stated no decisions were made in executive session.

Service Department Report: Mr. Evans stated the bids have been reviewed for a 60' x 76' pole barn with 14' x14' doors. The bid from Curry Lumber came in at \$105,700.00. Mr. Evans said the bid from Curry Lumber included siding/roofing that contains Valspar Teflon paint that is baked on and guaranteed not to fade. It will only require minimal maintenance of cleaning.

Ms. Bowers made a motion to approve the D.C. Curry Lumber bid at \$105,700.00 for the service department pole barn. Mr. Macron seconded the motion. All voting in favor.

Mr. Macron stated the township is in need of a new fire station and suggests not placing it on the November ballot which will allow the necessary time to prepare. Ms. Bowers agreed stating there is not enough time to prepare for what needs to be done to get it on the November ballot. Mr. Macron would like to be prepared for the March 2016 election. Ms. Bower asked Mr. Thorne if the township can use proposals that were sent out in 2010. Ms. Bowers said they never accepted the proposals in 2010 because they were done incorrectly and everything we currently need to spec is in those various proposals. She asked if the township has to do an RFP if we can determine what we need to do can we skip that step because it is an expensive step. Mr. Thorne responded, "Probably not". Discussion was held with Mr. Thorne on the appropriate steps that should be taken to move forward preparing for a new station. Mr. Thorne will be out of town all of next week but will check the statute regarding the issues and forward an outline to the trustees upon his return. Ms. Bowers stated the trustees have been individually "touring" and gathering information on other newer stations for ideas on what works and doesn't work. Mr. Macron said the trustees have a couple different potential sites in mind for the new station. Ms. Bowers said there are a lot

of issues to consider, discussions to be had and decisions to be made. Mr. Costello noticed a website online that contains a very lengthy list of fire stations in the state of Ohio that have been built over the last ten years. He and the chief have been utilizing the website to compile a list of different departments they would like to visit that fit our townships needs. Mr. Macron said the trustees are taking into consideration the township's future needs when planning for this build. There are some areas where our current department is not up to code and those are additional issues that need to be discussed. The trustees are in agreement to start the process of a levy on the March ballot.

Mr. Costello suggested keeping in mind how equipment, technology, etc. has changed over the past few decades and how it will continue to change and feels it is extremely important when making any decisions to keep future changes in mind. Ms. Bowers said that is part of the reason we will be hiring professionals who have the knowledge in considering the future. Ms. Bowers has a call into Trustee Ron Bischoff of Montville Township to acquire ideas and paperwork on how Montville Township did their fire levy, community room, etc. Ms. Bowers said she spoke with Mr. Bischoff a few months ago and Montville Township had one building built with a bond issue and another was done with a USDA loan. Ms. Bowers obtained information regarding the bond council Montville Twp. utilized and Mr. Thorne said they were very easy to work. Ms. Bowers said need to look into all options to make the best decisions as possible.

Mr. Macron recommends once the RFQ's are pulled, having a meeting with the trustees, Chippewa Lake and possibly 2 Lafayette residents. Ms. Bowers suggested first meeting with an architect to see what ideas they have. Mr. Costello thinks the price of a new station will be approximately 2.5 to 3 million dollars. Assistant Chief Winters said there is a 22,000 square foot station in southern Ohio built in 2009 and he forwarded an e-mail to all 3 trustees containing the information and pricing. Assistant Winters said 3.5 million dollars would allow for a completely furnished facility, turn-key ready.

Ms. Bowers made a motion to approve advertising/ quest for qualifications in the format that the Prosecutor's Office approves. Mr. Macron seconded the motion. All voting in favor.

Ms. Bowers said having the county place the recycle bins on the county's property and not on ours was a really good idea. Ms. Bowers showed a picture of a dumpster that was disastrous.

Mr. Costello made a motion to approve the requisitions in the total for \$1, 098.16. Mr. Macron seconded the motion. All voting in favor.

Ms. Bowers asked if there has been any communication with Cleveland Clinic regarding protocols for the Community Paramedicine Program. Mr. Costello sent Dr. Vrobel an e-mail this afternoon and is waiting to hear back from him.

Mr. Costello moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Trustee Meeting of June 15, 2015, the Special Meeting of June 19, 2015 and the Special Meeting of June 29, 2015. Ms. Bowers seconded the motion. All voting in favor.

Resident, Dave Hollish, Carlton Road asked if there will be "billable time" when the Paramedicine program is up and running. Ms. Bowers said, "It also depends on what our protocol says. That it might not be something we can do, we don't know". Ms. Bowers explained the

theory behind Paramedicine is not administering drugs and that sort of thing. It is keeping track of chronic illness patients to pay attention to them to see if they are deteriorating in a way they might not notice themselves. In states where Paramedicine is already in place, 911 calls have decreased 58 percent because declining health is caught earlier before it becomes a 911 emergency call. Mr. Macron assured Mr. Hollish this program is not to take the place of a doctor. Ms. Bowers said this is preventative check-ups. Mr. Costello has had discussion with the hospital as far as them providing vaccines to us at no charge and this has already been built into the EMS budget for next year. Mr. Costello said the ability for the squad to give certain vaccines to those who may not be able to get them will also help everyone in the long run. This will keep them healthier and out of the emergency department and will also help the hospitals bottom line as well. The hospital views this as a win-win partnership between them and the fire department. This is a benefit to the patients' health, our fire department and the hospital as well.

Ms. Bowers moved to pay the warrants of the township. Mr. Macron seconded the motion. All voting in favor.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Approved: _____

Lynda Bowers, Trustee

Bryon Macron, Trustee

Michael Costello, Trustee

Shirley Bailey, Fiscal Officer