

MINUTES
Special Meeting
Lafayette Township Board of Trustees & Lafayette Township Fire District
March 18, 2021 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

The Lafayette Township Board of Trustees and Lafayette Township Fire District, Medina County, Ohio met in special session, March 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Notice of this meeting was given consistent with the Lafayette Township public body rule for the notification of meetings to the public and news media, Ohio Revised Code 121.22 and the township's open meeting policy.

Members present: Trustees Costello, Bowers, Warchola, Fiscal Officer Ruebensaal.
Also present: Law Director Thorne, Fire Chief Winkler and Asst. Fiscal Officer Detchon.

Ms. Bowers made a motion seconded by Mr. Warchola to approve the service department purchase of a 36" excavator bucket in the amount of \$2,200 and a one week aerator rental in the amount of \$800. All voting in favor, motion passed.

Service supervisor Evans reported two culverts need replacement on Ballash Road. He suggested the road closing be approved, as necessary for one day between March 29 and April 2, a time when schools will be closed during spring break in order to minimize the disruption to the bussing schedule. Trustee Bowers will coordinate the closing notice when a date certain during that time is determined. Ms. Bowers made a motion seconded by Trustee Warchola to schedule the road closing for one day for culvert replacement between March 29, 2021 and April 2, 2021, all voting in favor, motion passed.

Trustee Warchola reported a fob reader can be placed on the front door of the Safety Services Building at a cost of approximately \$1,700.00. Mr. Warchola made a motion second by Trustee Costello to approve, all voting in favor, motion passed.

At approximately 9:30 a.m. Ms. Bowers made a motion second by Mr. Warchola to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel compensation and promotion and imminent litigation with legal counsel. Roll call vote, Bowers – yes, Costello – yes, Warchola – yes. Executive Session held including the Trustees, Fiscal Officer Ruebensaal, Law Director Thorne, Fire Chief Winkler and Assistant Fiscal Officer Detchon.

Special meeting reconvened at approximately 11:00 a.m.

Ms. Bowers reminded the board that while appropriations had been approved, there would still be spending decisions regarding specific projects to be discussed and decided.

Fiscal Officer Ruebensaal reported that trustees would need to reapprove the Polaris equipment purchase order as the invoice was received in 2021, after the 2020 books were closed.

Chief Winkler requested trustees approve offering a truck bed not needed for any public purpose for sealed bid at the next regular trustee meeting. Chief Winkler estimated the value in excess of \$2,500.

Fiscal Officer Ruebensaal reported ZI Strogan has been requested to review one of the cell phone data plans with AT&T for clarification of the billing.

Trustees confirmed that Fiscal Officer Ruebensaal and Administrative Assistant Buell were approved to complete the replacement of the Administrative Office copy machine. The existing machine is to be transferred to the Service Department where there will be significantly less demand on the machine.

Trustee Bowers suggested reaching out to some other agencies to vet potential recreational uses for Lyons park that would generate more public use of the property. Trustees Costello and Warchola agreed.

Chief Winkler advised one of the Firemen had requested allowing photographs to be taken in front of fire truck(s) as part of a fundraising event for a family in need. Trustees approved subject to ensuring it was a non-profit activity for the purpose of aiding the family, only.

Chief Winkler and Law Director Thorne discussed providing confirmation of payment and agreement for the Pharmaceutical License renewal. Law Director Thorne and Fiscal Officer Ruebensaal will do the follow up.

As there was no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:36 A.M.

Approved

Lynda Bowers

Laure Ruebensaal

Michael Costello

Marty Warchola