

SPECIAL MEETING
Minutes
Lafayette Township Board of Trustees and Fire District
Friday, April 19, 2024, 3:00 p.m.

Call to Order

The notice requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto were complied with for the meeting.

Roll Call: Peroli, Fullerton, O'Neil here
Pledge of Allegiance

New Business

ARPA Projects Funding:

Lions Park Pavilion

Trustee O'Neil reporting. Rick has 2 quotes for pouring the concrete pad and sidewalks. 1 written and 1 verbal. Verbal was from Denes Concrete \$9.50/sq ft. Other written quote was from Rock Concrete \$5/sq foot. We need a 32x52 pad, with 2 sidewalks: 4x20 and 4x25 sidewalks. Total would be \$9,220.00 to finish the pavilion with concrete. Trustee Fullerton asks for a confirmed completion date? Rick said will be completed before Memorial Day. We would like to start using it. We need grass seed in and get grass to grow. Rick states that the concrete will stay inside the posts of the pavilion. Trustee Fullerton asks if we should put concrete around the pavilion now? Or wait? Rick said we will have grass. Chief Holzman asks if we should do river stone? Rick says no because the kids will throw them up on the roof. Trustee Fullerton agrees and wants it to be done by Memorial Day.

Motion by Trustee Peroli, second by Trustee Fullerton, to approve Rocks Concrete to pour the pad and sidewalks at the Lions Park pavilion for \$9,220.00. All in Favor. Motion Passes.

Town Hall Southwest Corner Issue

Trustee O'Neil states that the southwest corner of the Town Hall is sunken down about an inch. Rick states that this will be an issue with the interior remodeling that is scheduled to happen. Trustee Fullerton states that one of the corners in town hall is sunken in and the concrete is broken. Concrete needs to be raised (southwest corner). Rick states about 10 square feet needs to be raised. Trustee O'Neil said there are 2 quotes. The first one is around \$7K. The second quote is from A1 Concrete Leveling for \$675. They would drill and pump in some leveling material to fix the issue. Trustee O'Neil recommends A1 Concrete Leveling. Trustee Peroli agrees. It is something we need to address before we start new construction on the interior of the Town Hall. Rick told A1 to have it done by May 13.

Motion by Trustee Peroli, second by Trustee Fullerton, to approve A1 Concrete Leveling to fix the southwest corner of the Town Hall for \$675. All in Favor. Motion Passes.

Drywall in the Townhall

Trustee O'Neil reporting. Rick got one quote after asking for quotes from several companies. 1 quote (no one else responded). Rick states it would be the entire interior of the Town Hall to be drywalled. This would be done after May 13 and contingent on service department to do the first steps of interior. Completion by end of June.

Motion by Trustee Peroli, second by Trustee Fullerton, to approve Gerbetz \$8,746 for drywall for Townhall remodel of interior. All in Favor. Motion Passes.

Town Hall Reimbursement

Trustee O'Neil reported that a resident who rented the Town Hall was not aware of the beginning demolition work that had already been completed. The resident was not happy. Trustee O'Neil suggests they be reimbursed. Rick states that the new windows were put in and you can see the plywood. Trustee Fullerton states Kristen has been contacting people to let them know that construction has started. Kristen has been trying to reach people who have rentals to have them come look at the Town Hall.

Motion by Trustee O'Neil, seconded by Trustee Peroli, to approve a reimbursement of \$125.00 to Kelly Wiseman for the rental of the Town Hall. All in Favor. Motion passes.

Pavement Repairs

Trustee O'Neil reporting. These are the repairs on Honey Shade Ct cul-de-sac. Rick says there are cracks and the thickness ranges from about 4-6 inches. The road is 24 years old. Trustee Fullerton contacted Andy Conrad and said it was poor workmanship by Tri Mor. Rick states they are willing to stand behind their work and fix the problem. Rick did get one quote from Denes Concrete, and it was \$42,015. Tri Mor is willing to stand behind their product to replace everything for \$16,263.00. Rick can't see pouring the whole cul-de-sac because some are not broken. He suggests we just fix the ones that are broken. Trustee Peroli asks how long until we will have to address the other pads that are not broken? Rick can't say. Chief Cavanaugh states that the city does the same thing with their roads (i.e. fixes the ones that are broken).

Motion by Trustee Fullerton, second by Trustee Peroli, to approve Tri Mor to complete the concrete replacement at Honey Shade Ct. for \$16,263.72. All in Favor. Motion passes.

Salt Resolution

Trustee O'Neil suggests a Roll Call vote for Resolution 13-2024 for Lafayette Township to purchase 450 Tons of Salt for the ODOT Salt contract.

Resolution 13-2024: ODOT Salt Contract

Roll Call:

Peroli Yes

Fullerton Yes

O'Neil Yes

All in Favor. Motion passes.

IT Services

Trustee Peroli reported that there was an email sent out by Keith Castle from KGC on 4/18/2024 renegotiating his contract with the Township. Currently, we pay KGC \$2,250/month for their services. There is a discrepancy about what is covered under the current contract and KGC is asking for an additional \$1,150.00/monthly to cover for their services. Trustee Peroli states that the current contract has 11 mentions of their service with 'Lafayette Township.' There are 2 mentions of the Fire District. 1 states, "thank you for the opportunity to conduct business with Lafayette Township and Fire." He also states that the FD logo is on the paperwork. Trustee Peroli states that everything else states their contract is between KGC and "Lafayette Township" and Trustee Peroli has operated under the fact that KGC services Lafayette Township as a whole. Trustee Peroli doesn't believe KGC has been living up to their end of the agreement. KGC sees it differently. Trustee Peroli stated that KGC is the one who wrote the contract. Depending on how the contract is interpreted, we may go in another direction. Trustee Fullerton states that we were on a 1-year contract, and it has already expired, so right now we are working on a month-by-month contract. Trustee Peroli states that all of this has come up because of all the issues we have been having at the Town Hall and the Admin Building. He doesn't feel that KGC has been honoring the contract if it covered everything. He doesn't want May 1 to come, and we don't have any support. Who administers the Townships IT side of things? Keith does. If he has a high level of control over all the township emails and devices, he clearly was operating under the assumption that he was servicing all of Lafayette Township. Trustee O'Neil states that is a good point. Trustee Fullerton asks how we would split his time/contract since Laura has to split the bills between the Township and the Fire District? Trustee Peroli asks if it makes more sense to have 2 separate internet services for the Town Hall/Admin Building and the Fire District? Trustee Fullerton states we will need more firewalls to protect it. We could ask for itemized reports. Trustee Peroli states we need to decide before May 1 because KGC wants an increased rate. The quote in the email was \$1150/month + \$2250/month we are already paying = \$3,400/month for IT support. Trustee O'Neil states that, for the time being, there is an hourly rate of \$175/hour + any traveling to and from. Trustee Fullerton asks if we can go with the hourly rate option until we get our ducks in a row? Do we need more access points? Trustee O'Neil asks what other options we have right now? Trustee Peroli says that we really don't have any other options right now. Rick states that only recently the Wi-Fi was not working when the phones were plugged in. We have not had these issues in the past. Trustee Peroli felt we had a service agreement in place and now we are getting an ultimatum from KGC. He states that KGC has made it clear that they should not be servicing the 'Township' (i.e. Admin Building & Town Hall) and they are only contracted to work with the Fire District. Trustee Peroli disagrees with this based on the contract that KGC wrote. Furthermore, is this set up the best? Is he the best vendor? Trustee Fullerton states he hates to wait for the next meeting to get a solution. Trustees agree that they need to find out more information on the topic to make a more informed decision. Trustee O'Neil suggests that we go with the \$175/hour. Trustee O'Neil will contact KGC and we will discuss what is needed to make everything work smoothly. Kristen states that we need the 2G turned on in order for the digital lock to work in the Town Hall. Trustee O'Neil will talk with Keith from KGC and report back.

**Executive Session (if needed) Pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(1)
Motion by Trustee O'Neil, second by Trustee Peroli, to Pay the warrants of the
Township and Adjourn. All in Favor. Meeting Adjourned.**

Board Chair declares meeting adjourned: 3:39 p.m.

Approved:



Laura Rubensaal, Fiscal Officer



Chris O'Neil, Trustee



Ty Fullerton, Trustee



Justin Peroli, Trustee

Kristen Raulie

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Subject: Special Meeting Notice: Lafayette Township & Lafayette Township Fire District Special Meeting, 4/19/2024
Importance: High

Good afternoon,

Please publish the following meeting notice in public meeting notices:

The Lafayette Township Board of Trustees and Lafayette Township Fire District will hold a special meeting on Friday, 4/19/24 at 3:00pm EST at the Lafayette Township Safety Services Building, 6367 Technology Lane, Medina, OH. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss funding for two ARPA projects, pavement repairs, IT services, and ODOT 2024-2025 Salt Contract Participation.

Thank you!

Laura Ruebensaal

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