

Minutes of the Board of Licking Township Trustees, Regular Meeting held at the Fire Co., Station 3, Jacksontown, OH at 7:30 p.m., on August 4, 2014.

Mr. Hart called the meeting to order with the following members present: Joseph Hart, John Holman, David Miller, and Andrea Lynch.

Others Present: Marty Ghiloni, Mike Briggs, Larry Gerlach, Forrest Cooperrider, Ron Patterson, Laura Trickle, Susan Patterson, Vicki Snelling, Mike Snelling, Steve Trickle, David Budd, Mike Wilson, Koni Gockenbach, Charles Prince, Mary Blue, Small's Asphalt & Paving, Steve Patterson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from the previous meeting were presented, approved, and signed by the Trustees.

Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the expenditures totaling \$32,231.51. Mr. Holman seconded the motion.
Roll call: Hart, yes; Holman, yes; Miller, yes.

There are funds on hand or in the process of collection to pay the attached listed bills. _____, Fiscal Officer.

The Fiscal Officer presented the sealed road bids. Mr. Miller opened and read the details of each bid: Small's Asphalt & Paving - aggregate amount \$244,236.70 with start date in September and end date in October; Shelly Company- aggregate amount \$232,034.50 with start date of 9/02/14 and end date of 10/31/14; Kokosing - aggregate amount \$257,658.70 with start date of 11/03/14 and end date of 11/29/14. A discussion took place regarding the road bids.

Mr. Miller made a motion that Licking Township enter into a contract with The Shelly Company for the asphalt resurfacing project for 2014, deleting Licking Trails from the list, for a total aggregate amount of \$204,684.50. Mr. Holman seconded the motion.
Roll call: Holman, yes; Miller, yes; Hart, yes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. LTWP Response to Precision Geophysical regarding Jacksontown Cemetery.

Mr. Holman indicated that the county workers will be rescheduled for painting and various other tasks in the next few weeks.

The Fiscal Officer presented the Board with the levy language options (short vs long form).

Mr. Hart moved the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX
IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION 5705.19(I) RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, and it is hereby determined, by the Board of Trustees of Licking Township, Licking County, Ohio, that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of Licking Township, and it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of such ten mill limitation for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, or the purchase of ambulance equipment, or the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, as provided in Section 5705.19(I) of the Ohio Revised Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a replacement levy of one mill (1 mill) for each year be placed upon the tax duplicate for such purposes, pursuant to Section 5705.19 of the Ohio Revised Code, said levy to be for a period of five years; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said levy be placed upon the tax list beginning with the tax year 2015, and for the tax years 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 to be first collected in calendar year 2016; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the question of such levy be submitted to the electors of Licking Township, Licking County, Ohio at the same time as the General Election, to be held in the usual voting places within said Licking Township on the 4th day of November, 2014, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the form of the ballots cast at such election shall be:
A majority vote shall be necessary for passage.

A replacement of a tax of one mill for the benefit of Licking Township, Licking County, Ohio, for the purpose of fire protection and emergency medical services at a rate not exceeding one mill for each one dollar of valuation which amounts to ten cents (\$.10) for each one hundred dollars in valuation for a period of five years commencing in tax year 2015, first due in calendar year 2016.

FOR THE TAX LEVY

AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fiscal Officer of Licking Township be, and hereby is, directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Elections of Licking County, Ohio, along with copies of the Resolution and certified information from the Licking County Auditor pursuant to R.C. 5705.03(B), and cause notice of the same to be given as required by law.

Mr. Holman seconded the motion.

Roll call: Hart, yes; Holman, yes; Miller, yes.

The Fiscal Officer will certify the Resolution with the Licking County Board of Elections prior to the August 6th deadline.

Chief Wilson gave the Fire Company Report. There were 106 runs in July which consisted of 83 EMS and 23 Fire with a YTD of 634 runs.

Chief Wilson recommended the hiring of Austin Hohl as a probationary member of the LTFC. A discussion took place.

Mr. Hart moved that Licking Township hire William Austin Hohl as a probationary volunteer firefighter for LTFC.

Mr. Miller seconded the motion.

Roll call: Miller, yes; Hart, yes; Holman, yes.

Chief Wilson expressed concerns with damage done to the parking lot by a boring machine/track hoe without pads caused by the contractors for the sewer project as well as space being limited in the parking lot for Fire station #3 due to their equipment and materials. Mr. Miller indicated some of the blue pipes will be moved and will look into the track hoe damage. Mr. Holman stated that the Board should still consider entering into a contractual agreement to ensure the township's parking lots, being used as staging areas, are restored to their original condition and feels that LTWP has been more than lenient in being a depot for the contractor's materials, trucks, etc. Mr. Miller stated that a verbal agreement was made. Mr. Hart suggested contacting Kevin Eby.

Chief Wilson gave a recap of the recent Juggalo's Concert and indicated that the biggest problem was the amount of pre-planning involved which includes the Fire Prevention Officer inspections. Chief Wilson stated that he would like a post-concert conference with the promoter, Mr. Trickle, local law enforcement, and LMH. Mr. Holman inquired as to the total cost of man hours spent on the pre-planning, meetings, runs, etc. Chief Wilson will gather that information soon.

Fire Prevention Officer Mike Briggs indicated that there were a total of 35 inspections related to the concert of which most initially did not pass, fire lanes were closed off but remedied with the help of concert goers and staff, non-permit fireworks were being brought into the concert, and that overall there were not many problems.

Zoning Inspector Forrest Cooperrider gave the Zoning Report. There was 1 permit issued for Lakewood High School for solar panels with no fee collected due to exemption.

Mr. Miller indicated that they are working on obtaining a 2nd estimate for backhoe tires, the Engineer's office is reviewing water problems at Misty Meadows, trees were cut down at Avondale, and noted a few water problems that will need addressed this fall.

In public comment, there were several individuals who addressed the Board regarding the Juggalo's Concert and/or Mr. Steve Trickle as follows:

Larry Gerlach - did not agree with the article in The Beacon and provided comments in support of Mr. Trickle.

Ron Patterson - did not agree with the article in The Beacon and feels that the concerts before Mr. Trickle took ownership were worse and provided comments in support of Mr. Trickle.

Mike Snelling - has no problems with the concerts, place is clean, and neighbors are all given access to the concerts for free.

Koni Gockenbach - provided comments in support of Mr. Trickle and the concerts. Inquired about whether or not her road would be milled down prior to re-paving. Mr. Miller indicated they would not and that their driveway would need built-up.

Steve Trickle - stated that the concert went well, there were unlicensed firework problems, is upset with the article in The Beacon and wished that he would have been given an opportunity to give his version of the facts.

Laura Trickle - thanked the neighbors for the support over the years and stressed the financial benefit to our community: \$30,000.00 to the LCSO; \$70,000.00 staffing; several hundred thousand dollars generated for LTWP through increased sales.

David Budd - stated that the article in The Beacon does not represent him and that although the biggest problem was unlicensed fireworks, it was not Mr. Trickle's fault.

Mr. Miller complimented Mr. Trickle and his crew for the clean-up of the grounds and road after the concert. Mr. Hart stated that the issues that were brought to his attention were

resolved/discussed with Mr. Trickle and also mentioned that there may be other opinions regarding the concert that were not represented in the public comments at tonight's meeting. Mr. Holman stated that he did not receive many complaints, that he had been in communication with Mr. Trickle early on regarding the new stage being built and that Mr. Trickle conducted himself professionally, suggested that the individuals who expressed public comments tonight in support of Mr. Trickle, consider writing letters to the editor.

Mr. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 p.m. Mr. Holman seconded the motion.

Roll call: Hart, aye; Holman, aye; Miller, aye.

Attest

August 4, 2014 minutes