

The Champion Township Board of Trustees met in Regular Meeting on December 5, 2022 at 6:30p.m. at the Champion High School Community Room for the purpose of conducting the business of the township. Chairman Emerine called the meeting to order with a full board present.

The Board welcomed Dave Wiley , Youngstown Warren Regional Chamber of Commerce and Dean R. William (Bill) Ayres of Kent State Trumbull along with Nicholas Coggins, Trumbull County Planning Commission addressed the Board with a request to add "Light Industrial" to zoning and discussed the property on Research Drive that KSUTC is interested in selling to a local light manufacturing and research facility. The property is about 15 acres that they would utilize. The property is currently zoned Office/Professional and the comprehensive plan allows for light industrial but our zoning resolution does not have a category for light industrial at this time. The Board and the public asked questions of the three presenters with regard to noise concerns, long term investments, engineering program at KSUTC and zoning.

The department heads presented their respective reports. WF Davis gave bids for a tow behind leaf impeller and answered questions on a township plan to remove leaves from all resident homes with the machine.

G2022-131 Trustee Fee resolved (see attached settlement documents). Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

G2022-134 Trustee Fee made a motion to increase revenue budget in 2401 Special Assessments (Street Light) to \$37,106.72 and 2192 Fire Levy to \$1,320,650.97. Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

The Board acknowledged the receipt of financial reports for November 2022.

Trustee Fee made a motion to approve the minutes of September and October 2022. Emerine seconded. Emerine, yes, Fee yes, Templeton abstained.

The Board announced the 2023 Reorganizational Meeting will be Monday, January 9 at 7:00 at the High School Community Room

The Board appointed Chief Tom Dempsey and John Hickey to the Volunteer Fire Fighters Dependents Fund.

Trustee Fee made a motion to accept the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources reflecting changes from the November 7 meeting, dated November 28, 2022 in the amount of \$5,970,935.31. Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

ARP2022-120R Trustee Templeton made a motion to resend and negate the purchase of 2020 Ford Explorer (VIN 1FM5K8AW5LGA98306) purchase price \$38,424.95 from John Megel Ford, 2742 Highway 129 South, Cleveland, Georgia 30528 Phone 706-865-2168 due to Ford buying it back as a lemon. Fee seconded. Passed unanimously.

ARP2022-135 Trustee Fee made a motion to purchase a 2023 Chevy Tahoe (VIN 1GNSKLED9PR187820) from Ganley Chevrolet of Aurora, 310 West Garfield Road, Aurora, 44202. Phone 330-562-8585 in the amount of \$43,645.00. Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

P2022-136 Trustee Fee made a motion to appoint Carol Pascoe as a Conditional Reserve Police Officer with full time employment beginning on January 15, 2023 upon completion of training. Emerine seconded. Emerine yes, Fee yes, Templeton no.

The Board accepted the notice of resignation for retirement of Scott Sorber, Road Dept, and thanked him for his years of service.

Trustee Fee made it a point to reaffirm that the Organizational Meeting in January will be on January 9 at 7pm, not at 6:30, due to the possibility of the school needing the room for their meeting.

Public Comment

Silas Dozier, 6158 Shafer, questions on the lien/title search and timeframe for the house being torn down on Shafer.

Russ Banks, 6097 Mahoning, excited about the industrial project and thanks Dave Wiley and Dean Ayres and Nick Coggins for coming.

Trustee Fee addressed his feelings on the zoning of the area for the last 25 years as Office/Professional and the County didn't realize it was not working earlier.

Wiley said Zoning has been the biggest hold up to development in that general area.

Trustee Emerine stated that KSUTC will use the money from the sale for a scholarship fund.

Larry Skaggs, Chief of Police, extended a thanks to RD Banks Chevrolet, for the use of the trailer for the Can a Cruiser Food Drive and other assistance provided to make the event successful.

Breanna Johnson, 4651 Verona, asked how the taxes would work if the light manufacturing project was approved, as the land is currently under KSUTC non-profit. David Wiley answered that the land would become taxable to Champion Township and money by KSUTC will be invested.

Trustee Emerine announced a Congratulations to "Celebrity" Julia Bugos, named to the Tribune's 20 Under 20" list. Former Trustee Brian Bugos also pointed out that Natalie Criddle is present and she is a Class of 2023 Valedictorian. Trustees and audience congratulated both girls on their achievements.

Hearing no further comment, the Chairman adjourned the meeting.

Chairman

Fiscal Officer

The Champion Township Board of Trustees met in a Special Meeting on December 13, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Champion High School Community Room for the purpose of conducting the business of the township. The Chairman called the meeting to order with a full board present.

G2022-137 Trustee Templeton made a motion to accept the 2023 Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, dated January 1, 2023, in the amount of \$5,046,553.95 and set the revenue budget for 2023 as the same, prepared August 30, 2022. Fee seconded. Passed unanimously.

G2022-138 Trustee Fee made a motion to approve 2023 appropriations in the amount of \$3,745,137.04 to authorize the necessary Township expenditures. (See Attached) Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

F2022-139 Trustee Templeton made a motion to close fund 2281 MARCS AFG Grant upon payment of final invoice and zero balance. Fee seconded. Passed unanimously.

G2022-140 Trustee Fee made a motion to approve all supplemental appropriations as necessary for the Township expenditures to finish out the 2022 calendar year, with affirmation from the Fiscal Officer that she would keep the trustees abreast of any major changes after she gave them an example of this giving authority to move money from 2191-210-700 to 2191-210-190, which is not normally in her authority to reallocate. Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

G2022-141 Trustee Fee made a motion to authorize the continuation of health care benefits for full-time employees, Trustees and Fiscal Officer for the year 2023. Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

G2022-142 Trustee Fee made a motion to adopt the year 2023 salary method of compensation for the Trustees and Fiscal Officer to be in equal monthly payments of an annual salary. Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

Z2022-143 Trustee Fee made a motion to approve the re-appointment of Zoning Board member, John Streitferdt, to the Zoning Board for a five (5) year term commencing January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2027. Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

Z2022-144 Trustee Fee made a motion to approve the re-appointment of Zoning Board of Appeals member Jennifer Kusmirek and alternate Laura Fike to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a five (5) year term commencing January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2027. Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

Reminder: The date for the Organizational meeting as January 9, 2023 at 7:00 PM at the Champion High School Community Room. The school's meeting will be directly before on the same date, so please be respectful when arriving so as not to interrupt their meeting.

G2022-145 Trustee Templeton made a motion to approve Trumbull County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 2020 Census of 9,381 residents x the rate of \$.21 per resident for a total cost of \$1,970.01. Fee seconded. Passed unanimously.

Discussion on the job descriptions and hiring of a road department employee and office help.

R2022-146 Trustee Temmpleton made a motion to hire Timothy Fenton as Head Mechanic effective 12-19-22 allowing one week unpaid vacation and approving the OPERS Pick Up depending on the conversations with regard to the Union Contract clause on OPERS Pick Up, pending drug screen and pre employment DOT physical, if needed. Fee seconded. Passed unanimously.

R2022-147 Trustee Fee made a motion to approve the purchase of a salt spreader for truck #10 in the road department from Myers Equipment Co in the amount of \$3,509.10 from 2193-760-740, Road Improvement Levy Capital Outlay line item. Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

The Board finalized the Administrative Assistant job description and posting on Ohio Means Jobs accepting applications until January 6, 2023 at 5pm. (Updated job description on file includes 45 awpm typing, assist zoning inspector and hours up to 25-30 per week, pay commensurate with experience.) Interviews to be held at the admin building prior to the January 9 meeting.

G2022-148 Trustee Fee made a motion to accept the FEMA Public Assistance Grant in the amount of \$25302.76 across all departments to offset costs from the Coronavirus pandemic from January 2020-December 2022. Templeton seconded. Passed unanimously.

Reminder to trustees that there will be a Trumbull County Emergency Management Agency Executive Board meeting for election of officers to the EMA Advisory Board on January 11, 2023 at 5:00pm. Township representatives are highly encouraged to attend. Trustee Emerine has volunteered to attend.

Reminder to trustees to complete the required Public Records Training or appoint someone as Township representative. Vanessa Teuscher authorized representative is leaving the township employment soon.

Hearing no further comment, the Chairman adjourned the meeting.

Chairman

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