

Chairman Larry Morse called the regular meeting of the Board to order at 8:00 p.m. Trustees Larry Morse, Mark Reed, John McMahan and Fiscal Officer Marie Rohrbaugh were also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Morse moved to approve the minutes as presented with changes of the Board's regular meeting held on December 6, 2023, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

NAD: No report.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR Niewiadomski reported he forwarded Gentry and Schlegeter junk vehicle matter to County Prosecutor Christine Davis; no bond received from State road loggers; working on new violation form and possible penalty fees; violations mailed as certified letter thru regular mail with no return signatures received are considered received; received zoning application for new property owners' southwest corner of Graham and Dawsey; will assist with transition to new zoning administrator.

ZONING COMMISSION: Next scheduled meeting March 18, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. at TTAB.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS: No report.

TRUMBULL TOWNSHIP FIRE AND RESCUE: Chief Berlinski reported no calls received; new reporting system up and running Assistant Chief Rose and Firefighter Morse approved to enter calls in system; bay doors damaged during power outage due to no door stops will make call for repairs; great undercoating job on #253 Grass truck. Assistant Rose reported on BWC FEEEG grant coats and pants measurements complete will receive them mid-April, already received radio holders and straps. Chairman Morse reported ODNR grant application due January 14, 2024.

ROAD AND BRIDGE Superintendent Sypniewski reported four tires dumped on Riverdale; Sullivan road had bad spot on berm left 4 inches of berm then added #411 stone; Hoffman road checked quantity of culvert pipes needed for replacing 15-inch pipes next year, need one; Atkins road requires 15-inch culvert pipe.

OLD BUSINESS: Trustee Reed stated received one application for zoning administrator, will keep on file. Trustee Reed moved to cancel the scheduled interview of December 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. and to authorize the Fiscal Officer to post legal notice in the Star Beacon for the zoning administrator job position opening again on the first and second week of January 2024 for applications to be received by the January 17, 2024 regular trustee meeting by 8:00 p.m., and scheduled a special meeting on January 24, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. for interviews with current Zoning Administrator and Fiscal Officer in attendance, second by, Chairman Morse, 3 ayes, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

FISCAL OFFICERS' REPORT: The Fiscal Officers' financial reports and document reflecting timely payment of Township bills were reviewed. Trustee Reed moved to approve the Fiscal Officer's financial reports, seconded by Chairman Morse, 3 ayes, motion carried. The Fiscal Officer reported the Zoning Administrator job position opening was posted in the Star Beacon on December 8, 2023. The Fiscal Officer reminded road and fire department inventories are required by second Monday in January.

The Chairman opened the floor for comments from others in attendance who desired to speak. Fire Department Auxiliary to hold soup and bake sale January 28, 2023 noon to 3 pm.

Trustee Reed then moved to enter into executive session to discuss 2024 compensation of public employees, seconded by Chairman Morse, 3 ayes, motion carried. Roll Call: Morse Aye, Reed Aye, McMahan Aye. Upon conclusion of the discussions during executive session Chairman Morse moved to adjourn executive session and return to the regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

The Board then discussed and addressed organizational issues for the 2024 calendar year as follows:

Chairman Morse moved to authorize the Fiscal Officer to pay the Trustees in equal monthly installments from appropriate primary fund accounts, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Morse moved to set the monthly meetings of the Board on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at the TTAB starting at 8:00 p.m., second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Morse moved to adopt the IRS mileage deduction rate as the Board's reimbursement rate for mileage driven by Township employees when using personal vehicles for Township business, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Morse moved to rehire Joe Sypniewski as full time Township Road Superintendent at an hourly rate 3% higher than his December 2023 hourly pay rate, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Morse moved to rehire Mike Petro as full time Township Road Department Assistant at an hourly rate 3% higher than his December 2023 hourly pay rate, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Reed moved to rehire John Berlinski as Fire Chief of Trumbull Township Fire and Rescue at the part time rate of \$325.00 monthly payable out of the Fire Fund, second by Trustee McMahan, 2 ayes, motion carried. Chairman Morse abstained from discussing and voting on the matter.



Trustee Reed moved to rehire Clinton Rose as Assistant Fire Chief of Trumbull Township Fire and Rescue at the part time rate of \$125.00 monthly payable out of the Fire Fund, second by Trustee McMahan, 2 ayes, motion carried. Chairman Morse abstained from discussing and voting on the matter.

Chairman Morse moved to maintain the current schedule of Zoning Fees as set forth in Section 1351 of the Trumbull Township Zoning Resolution, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Morse moved to appoint Pete Knauff to serve a 5-year term on Board of Zoning Appeals from 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2028, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Morse moved to appoint Laura Paine to serve a 5-year term on Zoning Commission from 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2028, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Morse moved to set the compensation rate for Zoning Commission Members and Board of Zoning Appeals Members at \$35.00 per meeting payable out of the General Fund, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Morse moved to adopt the Fiscal Officer's proposed temporary appropriations for the payment of all reasonable and necessary township expenses pending the filing and approval of statutory appropriations in or about March 2024, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Morse moved to waive the 3-day deposit period requirement under Ohio Revised Code Section 9.38 for depositing checks in amounts less than \$1,000.00 and to direct the Fiscal Officer to safeguard such checks under lock and key at TTAB pending deposit, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Morse moved to authorize the Fiscal Officer to allocate or reallocate funds within the limits of previously approved appropriations, second by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Reed thanked Trustee John McMahan for his 20 years of service as Trumbull Township Trustee.

Chairman Morse moved to adjourn the regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Reed, 3 ayes, motion carried.

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