

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS CLEARCREEK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

Work Session
February 28, 2022

The Clearcreek Township Trustees met in work session at 9:06 a.m. on Monday, February 28, 2022.

The following were present:

Mr. Wade, Trustee Chairperson
Mr. Carolus, Fiscal Officer
Mr. Terrill, Police Chief
Mr. Palmer, Zoning Director
Mr. Dean, Finance Coordinator

Mr. Gabbard, Trustee Vice Chairperson
Mr. Muterspaw, Trustee
Mr. Agenbroad, Fire Chief
Mr. Jones, Road Superintendent
Mr. Clark, Township Administrator

Mr. Carolus reviewed General Fund revenue, and how it is generated from local property taxes, almost exclusively. Mr. Carolus then used the properties on Music Place as an example for the Board to see the property values and breakdown of the revenue generated, and how growth of commercial development and residential affect revenue.

Mr. Clark updated the Board on the facilities project with a snapshot of funds paid to the contractor and balance due. The project is a bit behind due to the weather and the ground being extremely wet. He informed the Board that Mr. Jones was able to dig a trench to help move standing water to the retention pond in hopes it would speed up the drying process, then concrete could be poured. As it stands, the Maintenance building will be completed first and work should pick up on the Police station this week or the next as the weather is improving. Mr. Wade inquired about the projected finish date.

Mr. Clark informed the Board that the Township has received monies from the American Rescue Plan Act, and he has had several discussions with Mr. Carolus and came up with six potential areas where the funds could be spent. The list was presented to the Trustees and a brief discussion followed about the items on the list, plus potential other options, including a lift to safely service trucks and equipment for the Road department. Mr. Carolus suggested new financial software for the Township to replace UAN. Lastly, a replacement dump truck for the Road Department is needed, as the oldest in the fleet is difficult to service as parts become scarce. Mr. Gabbard and Mr. Clark had a brief discussion about broadband expansion in the Township versus water expansion to all residents. Mr. Clark requested that the Board review and rank the options and add to them if they so desired.

Chief Agenbroad provided pictures of the Pumper truck, as well as a progress update on the Quint.

Mr. Jones updated the Board on the equipment needs of the Road department, which included a service truck, and a new loader for loading salt. Mr. Jones has received two quotes, one from John Deere and the other from JCB. Mr. Jones is leaning towards JCB, as it will be a more versatile tool. Mr. Gabbard asked if Mr. Jones had considered rental of equipment to load salt. A brief conversation followed.

Mr. Palmer presented the potential of connecting the bike trails from Lebanon, Ohio through the township to Springboro, Ohio. Trustees discussed the use of the bike paths in both Lebanon and Springboro, and the potential of pursuing only if a federal grant became available.

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Lastly, Mr. Muterspaw inquired about an update on accidents at the intersection of State Route 122 and Utica Road. Mr. Clark confirmed that a comprehensive accident report was sent to the County Engineer's Office, and he would follow up next week.

Mr. Wade asked for a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to R.C. 121.22(G)(2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes and R.C. 121.22(G)(8) regulations with other political subdivisions respecting a request for economic development assistance. Mr. Muterspaw moved to enter the executive session at 9:51 a.m. Gabbard seconded the motion and upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Muterspaw-yea; Mr. Gabbard-yea and Mr. Wade-yea

The Board returned from executive session. With no further business Mr. Wade asked for a motion to adjourn the work session at 10:40 a.m. Mr. Gabbard so moved with Mr. Muterspaw seconding the motion. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Mr. Gabbard-yea; Mr. Muterspaw-yea; and Mr. Wade-yea.

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