

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

THORN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

REGULAR SESSION

Held: October 14, 2020

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The Board of Trustees of Thorn Township convened in regular session from 5:00 P.M. to 7:38 P.M. in the Township Hall. Trustee Coleman called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Members:

Billie Dearlove	Present	Robert Coleman	Present
Richard Wilson	Present	David Lyle	Present

Other Township Officials:

Anna Cox, Mike Tolliver, Ed Corns

Visitors: Mike Fornataro, Chip McNeer

Motion: A motion to approve the September 9, 2020 regular session minutes was made by Trustee Wilson and seconded by Trustee Lyle. **Votes were:** Robert Coleman, Aye; Richard Wilson, Aye; David Lyle, Aye.

Reports:

Fiscal Officer Billie Dearlove: Fiscal Officer Billie Dearlove provided the September 2020 Reports: Fund Status Report, Receipt and Payment Report, Fire Department Payroll Report and Bank Reconciliation Report.

Credit Card Review: The Thorn Township Trustees and the Compliance Officer did the six (6) month credit card review. The only change from the last review was the removal of an employee who no longer works for the township.

Marathon Gas Cards: Fiscal Officer Dearlove stated that she received the new Marathon Gas cards which were given to Trustee Lyle to distribute and he stated that he would do like he has in the past, and make a copy of each card and write down the name of the employee who received that card.

Financial Certification of Funds for Kent Cannon: Fiscal Officer Dearlove explained that she was asked by Trustee Wilson for a certification of funds for the Perry County Engineer Kent Cannon. Trustee Wilson explained that he spoke with the engineer about the road in front of Champs Pizza that the township will be taking over next year, and his recommendation for that road is to grind it down five inches and put down three inches of base and two inches of asphalt on it. Mr. Cannon stated that the county will contribute around \$62,000.00 (sixty two thousand dollars) of Issue Two money towards this resurfacing and the cost for the township will be around \$16,000.00 (sixteen thousand dollars), these numbers are estimates. The work would be done next year. Trustee Coleman stated that he thought the township had an agreement with the owner that they would chip and seal the road. Trustee Wilson stated that Kent Cannon said it would be a waste of money to chip and seal the road when they would be grinding it down next year and resurfacing it. A brief discussion was held regarding the resurfacing of the road. Trustee Lyle said that he thought they should just amend the agreement that was made with the owners of Champs Pizza.

Motion: Trustee Wilson made a motion to not Double Chip and Seal the road in front of Champs Pizza on the recommendation of the Perry County Engineer Kent Cannon, and the county will contribute \$62,000.00 (sixty two thousand dollars) and the township will contribute \$16,000.00 (sixteen thousand dollars) to grind down the road five inches and resurface the road. The motion received a second from Trustee Lyle. **Votes were:** Robert Coleman; Nay, Richard Wilson; Aye, David Lyle; Aye.

Hoskinson Funeral Home: Fiscal Officer Dearlove said that she received an invoice from Hoskinson Funeral Home for the indigent burial for a resident in the township. She said that she would look into how the payment should be handled, she thought that the state paid a portion or reimbursed the township a portion of the cost for the burial.

Fire Department Payroll Reports-missing information- Fiscal Officer Dearlove stated that when payroll information is turned into her, please make sure that the job title and pay rates are also included for her.

Amended Certificate of Covid-19 Funds-need to appropriate- Fiscal Officer Dearlove stated that she has received the amended certificate from the Perry County Auditor in the amount of \$26,617.87 (twenty six thousand six hundred seventeen dollars and eighty seven cents) for the covid-19 funds. She stated that they will now have to appropriate these funds into different categories. She advised the

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trustees to think about this and they would appropriate the funds at the next meeting or at a special meeting.

Trustee Robert Coleman:

Trustee Coleman stated that he received a complaint letter from residents who reside at 15425 Township Road 1073, requesting that the township improve the storm drainage at and near the intersection of Township Road 1073 and 1071. Trustee Coleman stated that he thinks the problem with the drainage there is because of a graveled parking area that someone made there. A brief discussion was held.

Trustee Wilson stated that he will give the residents a call and check this out further.

Trustee Coleman stated that he has received back the hard copy of the contract for the park, it has been approved by the attorney and he would like to pass this at tonight's meeting. He stated that GM General Contractors had the lowest bid. The bid price excluding the installation of the EZ Dock, will be \$373,037.00 (three hundred seventy three thousand thirty seven dollars, this is the total base price including alternate 1. He stated that he can have the EZ dock installed for \$28,218.00 (twenty eight thousand two hundred eighteen dollars) and that GM General Contractors were going to charge \$50,000.00 (fifty thousand) for that installation, so he asked them to remove their cost and they agreed to do that. Fiscal Officer Dearlove asked if they were ok with the \$20,000.00 (twenty thousand dollar) payment schedule. She reminded them that she can only pay \$20,000.00 at a time and then she would have to wait for the reimbursement from the state before she could pay anymore invoices to them. She stated that she did not see this in the contract and it will need to be in there. Trustee Coleman stated that he would contact them and have this language put in the contract.

Trustee Coleman said that he was contacted by Jim Phillips for the Perry County Tribune for an interview regarding the 911 issues.

Trustee Richard Wilson:

Trustee Wilson said that he and Jason have been cutting brush along the road ways. He asked if any applications have been received for the road worker position. Fiscal Officer Dearlove stated no she has not received any. Trustee Wilson said that his grandson Colin Hill is looking for work and would be able to work every day from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. He said that he has been helping Jason for the last month and they need some help. A brief discussion was held. Trustee Lyle said that he would contact Colin Hill tomorrow and discuss the position with him.

Trustee David Lyle:

Trustee Lyle asked if they had received a reply from the letter sent to the Perry County Commissioners. Fiscal Officer Dearlove said no she has not received anything. He also stated that employee evaluations need to be done before the next meeting. He also stated that Jason Foltz found a zero turn mower that ODOT has for sale for \$800.00 (eight hundred dollars) and that he thinks it would be a good idea for the township to purchase it to mow around the township building.

Motion: A motion to purchase a zero turn mower from ODOT for \$800.00 (eight hundred dollars) was made by Trustee Lyle and seconded by Trustee Coleman. **Votes were:** Robert Coleman; Aye, Richard Wilson; Aye, David Lyle; Aye.

Fire/EMS:

Chief Weekly was not in attendance, Mike Tolliver presented his monthly reports for September 2020 to the board. Captain Tolliver reported that Officer Holman was promoted to rank of Lieutenant. The department received the resignation of Tyler Sweeney. Chief Weekly and several others attended the Perry County Commissioners meeting on September 30, 2020 and asked questions about the 911 levy. He also reported that the issues with the 911 dispatch center is still ongoing and the commissioners will not budge on the \$15.00 transfer call fee. Zoning Inspector Ed Corns made a suggestion to either get a petition and get residents signatures or go to the media about this issue. Captain Spohn reported that he is still gathering quotes for a new medic truck and should have them narrowed down by next meeting for review. Captain Tolliver reported that they need to pass a resolution to have PMMG bill for structure fires and auto accidents and stated this will have no charge directly to residents.

Motion: A motion was made by Trustee Coleman to accept the proposed rates for Basic Life Support A0429 at the rate of \$550.00 (five hundred fifty dollars), Advanced Life Support A0427 at the rate of \$650.00 (six hundred fifty dollars), Advance Life Support 2 A0433 at the rate of \$900.00 (nine hundred dollars) and Mileage A0425 at the rate of \$20.00 (twenty dollars) from PMMG to bill for Structure Fires

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and Auto accidents and was seconded by Trustee Wilson. **Votes were:** Robert Coleman; Aye, Richard Wilson; Aye, David Lyle; Aye.

Zoning:

Zoning Inspector Ed Corns provided his monthly reports and permit updates to the board. He stated that there is an issue with one application for a permit for a property split at the curve on Ridenour Road. The issue is that there will not be enough road frontage for this split. He advised them they could apply for a variance. He also reported that he would like for them to install a drop box for the public to be able to drop off permits and payments. This would eliminate the mail time factor and be a convenience for the public. He also reported the resident Rick McCance does not want to be an alternate on the Zoning Commission, he wants appointed on the BZA board. He stated that he checked with the zoning attorney, and he said that you do not have to appoint someone just because they wish to sit on that seat. Trustee Coleman stated that appointments have already been made and stand as they are.

Public Comments:

Mike Fornataro from the Buckeye Lake Regional Corporation along with Chip McNeer gave a presentation on the BLRC-Land Use Advisory Panel and how their services could benefit not only the township but also developers in the area. He stated that the cost is \$1000.00 (one thousand dollars) per project and that payment would need to come from the township, not the developer. He suggested that the township collect money from the developer and then send payment to BLRC. A brief discussion was held.

Motion: A motion was made by Trustee Coleman upon receipt of \$1000.00 (one thousand) dollars from the developer of the 55 acres located on Township Road 496, the Thorn Township Trustees will enter into an agreement with BLRC, requesting from them Land Use Advisory Services concerning the residential development located at roughly the west bank of Honey Creek, extending west to a border roughly in line with County Road 87 and authorizes a payment of \$1000.00 (one thousand dollars) toward these services that will be advisory in nature to the Thorn Township Zoning Board, and was seconded by Trustee Lyle. **Votes were:** Robert Coleman; Aye, Richard Wilson; Aye, David Lyle; Aye.

Meeting Adjourned:

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 P.M. by Trustee Lyle and seconded by Trustee Wilson. **Votes were:** Robert Coleman; Aye, Richard Wilson; Aye, David Lyle; Aye.

Billie Dearlove

David Lyle

Richard Wilson

Robert Coleman

All of the formal actions of Thorn Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.