

Town Hall

August 26, 2020

Chairman Mueller called the meeting to order at 9:01 am. Trustees Gabram and Port were present. Trustee Assistant Melissa Palmer was present and Fiscal Officer Karen Walder was absent.

The following Department Head was present: Police Chief Tim Carroll.

**CLERK PRO TEM:** In the absence of a Fiscal Officer, Board of Trustees Chairman Jim Mueller appoints Jennifer Dorka to serve as clerk pro tem.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC WERE RECEIVED**

Mr. Gabram stated that that the Township had issues with the budget not being approved due to lack of follow through with projects, resulting in an excess of money. Mr. Gabram stated that the proper steps were followed and the money was appropriated but didn't follow through with the projects that the money was appropriated for. Mr. Mueller stated that the Township has been very conservative over years with spending money.

The Trustees discussed their options on how they were going to spend the money that they had appropriated. Mr. Mueller and Mr. Gabram agreed to proceed with the new storage building behind the Police and Fire Department. Ms. Port requests an estimate of the cost difference between the one storage facility and what it would cost to have an addition added to each of the departments existing buildings. Ms. Port expressed that if there is extra storage needed, that it should be attached to each department instead of having one free standing storage facility. Police Chief Tim Carroll stated that Larsen's Architects looked at different options and they wanted the most cost effective way of doing the storage facility. Mr. Gabram stated that having a pole barn is the most cost effective way to go.

The Trustees discussed hiring Larsen Architects to continue with the design, final drawings, bid specs and project management so the Township can move forward with the new storage facility/facilities this year.

The Trustees discussed options on the Old Fire Station. Mr. Mueller stands his ground on not tearing it down. Mr. Gabram thinks that once the new storage facility is complete, the Trustees need to then tear down the Old Fire Station. Mr. Gabram doesn't think they should continue putting money into the Old Fire Station once the new storage facility is built. The Trustees have not come to any decision on the Old Fire Station.

**RESOLUTION: CONCERNS OF BUDGET COMMISSION:** *Ms. Port made the motion to approve Resolution 2020-21 as amended, a Resolution in Acknowledgement of the Concerns of the Budget Commission. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion. The votes as followed: Ms. Port yes; Mr. Gabram no; Mr. Mueller yes; and the motion passed.*

**RESOLUTION: STORAGE FACILITY:** *Ms. Port made the motion to approve amended Resolution 2020-23, a Resolution to Proceed with the Construction of a new Storage facility/facilities. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

**RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTION 2020-19:** *Mr. Gabram made the motion to approve Resolution 2020-24; a resolution to rescind 'Resolution 2020-19: A Resolution Rescinding Resolution 2019-18 and Resolving to Preserve and/or Demolish Certain Township Personal Property.' There was no second and the motion fell to the floor.*

**RESOLUTION: OFS BUILDING & TOWER:** *Mr. Gabram made the motion to approve Resolution 2020-25, a resolution to proceed with the demolition of the Old Fire Station building and the Radio tower. Ms. Port seconded the motion and the votes as followed: Ms. Port no; Mr. Gabram yes; Mr. Mueller no and the motion did not pass.*

**LARSEN ARCHITECTS:** *Ms. Port made the motion to proceed with hiring Larsen Architects of Lakewood, Ohio to perform the design, final drawings, bid specs, and project*

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*management for the Storage Facility. Mr. Gabram seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

*Ms. Port made the motion to authorize 40 hours of labor by Larsen Architects towards their work on the Storage Facility approved by the Trustees this date. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

*Mr. Gabram made the motion to adjourn. Ms. Port seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

The meeting was adjourned at 10:57 am.

Jim Mueller, Chairman

Karen Walder, Fiscal Officer

Recorded by: J. Sustar