

RUSSELL FIRE-RESCUE STATION

August 17, 2016

Chairman Madden called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Trustee Mueller was present. Fiscal Officer Charles Walder and trustee assistant Melissa Palmer were also present.

Mr. Gabram was not in attendance due to an unavoidable conflict.

The following Department Heads were present: Zoning Inspector Shane Wrench.

MINUTES: *Mr. Mueller made the motion to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 3, 2016, as presented. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed.*

MINUTES: *Mr. Mueller made the motion to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 11, 2016, as presented. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed.*

PUBLIC HEARING: *Mr. Mueller made the motion to open the public hearing on the Zoning Amendment 2016-3. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed.*

There were no comments from the public.

Mr. Mueller made the motion to close the public hearing on the Zoning Amendment 2016-3. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed.

ZONING AMENDMENT 2016-3: *Mr. Madden moved to adopt the recommendations of the Russell Township Zoning Commission, and adopt Zoning Amendment 2016-3. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion and it passed.*

Mr. Madden asked that the Zoning Commission consider adding green technology requirements to future amendments.

POLICE DEPARTMENT EXTERNAL VESTS: *Mr. Mueller made the motion to authorize Police Chief Carroll to spend up to \$1,000.00 on the purchase of external vests for the benefit of Russell Police personnel; vests design and specifications to be at Chief Carroll's discretion. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed.*

FISCAL OFFICER: Mr. Walder advised the Trustees of improvements that have been made to township properties. Parking areas have been added to both of the township cemeteries, and the empty lot on the north east corner of 87 and 306 has had the gravel drive removed and hydro seed was put down.

PICKUP TRUCK PURCHASE: Mr. Walder advised the Trustees that the old maintenance truck was purchased by the general fund and was previously being used to plow the township parking lots. Mr. Walder discussed with Mr. Layne the use of the maintenance pickup truck and Mr. Layne advised that it sits a lot of the time since snow plowing has been outsourced. Mr. Layne is confident in the outsourcing of the parking lot snow plowing going forward. Mr. Walder asked the Trustees to consider the trade in of the maintenance pickup for a smaller pickup truck to be used by the Zoning and Administration departments.

Mr. Mueller moved to approve the purchase of a 2013 Honda Ridgeline pickup truck, from Honda of Mentor, Ohio, for a final price of \$16,012.50, after documentary fee, license fees, and trade-in of \$11,800.00 for the 2008 Chevrolet pickup truck formerly used by the Maintenance Department. Mr. Madden

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seconded the motion and it passed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC WERE RECEIVED

COUNTY LINE ROAD FUNDING: The Township is applying for an OPWC grant to help pay for the first ever resurfacing of County Line Road which is going to be a two year paving project (2017-2018). The Geauga County Engineer will be the engineer on the project, and there will be a meeting closer to December with Hunting Valley to further discuss the paving plans.

Mr. Mueller made the motion to continue to pursue Ohio Public Works Commission funding for the County Line Road Improvements and to communicate that intent to the Geauga County Engineer's Officer. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed.

PROPERTY USE RESOLUTION: *Mr. Mueller made the motion to approve Resolution 2016-15 amending the current Use of Township Property Policy to include requirements applicable to public bodies. Mr. Madden seconded the motion and it passed.*

PURCHASE ORDERS AND BILLS WERE APPROVED AS ATTACHE

Mr. Mueller made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Madden seconded and it passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:53 pm.

Justin Madden, Chairman

Charles Walder, Fiscal Officer

Recorded by: J. Dorka