

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of *MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES* Meeting

Held

March 25,

2021

Chair Lynn Stewart called the Mifflin Township Board of Trustees Special Meeting to order via an advertised conference call at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 25, 2021 with Trustee Richard Angelou, Fiscal Officer Rick Duff, Township Administrator Nancy White, and Fire Chief Fred Kauser attending. Vice Chairman Kevin Cavener was out-of-town. Chair Stewart said the purpose of the meeting is to discuss a pre-construction task order.

Chief Kauser said he had to get permission from the homeowner to remove some trees because of the protected animals that reside in the trees. He said in the City of Columbus there is a period that trees cannot be removed. He said he had to combine the pre-construction task order from Elford and then add to it the services for removing the trees to clear the property before October 2021. He said if the trees are not removed by April 1st construction cannot begin until Fall or Winter 2021. He said approximately \$32,000 of tree clearing will be done in two phases. He said there are a couple trees on the Northglen side that contribute to the neighborhood and might want to consider leaving them. All the trees on the Agler Road site are either damaged or in the way of construction. He said Davey Tree Company had the best bid; the other companies were between \$35,000 and \$47,000. He said the quotes were higher due to the quick turn-around time.

Chief Kauser requested the authorization of Chair Stewart to approve the expense of \$50,586.50 for the pre-construction task order from Elford and tree removal.

Res. 83-21 Authorize Chair Stewart to approve the expense of \$50,586.50 for the pre-construction task order from Elford and tree removal.

Mr. Angelou moved to authorize Chair Stewart to approve the expense of \$50,586.50 for the pre-construction task order from Elford and tree removal. Chair Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried.

Chief Kauser requested the authorization of Chair Stewart to execute the license agreement which permits the Davey Tree Company and Elford to enter the properties to remove trees from 2458 Agler Road and Northglen properties.

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Chief Kauser said he has been working with Mr. Boggs, Service Director, on the exterior parking signs. An additional sign to designate township administration parking. He said the signs will be mounted on 4"x4" poly black posts, identical to the address signs. He will have discussions soon about the pedestal signs. He said interior signage is being worked on. He said framing and electrical are almost complete with cable boxes to follow. He said after inspection, insulation and drywall will be done.

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Mr. Angelou asked if the transition of MECC from Creekside to the Operations Center will be gradual or immediate. Chief Kauser said there will be an overlap for safety reasons. Chief Kauser does not expect to be completely out of the Creekside space until Fall or Winter of 2021.

Administrator White read a thank you letter from Gahanna Police Chief Spence to Mifflin Township for the efforts for organizing and delivering the law enforcement vaccination event on March 24th. Chief Kauser said we were observed by the Franklin Co. Public Health. Chief Kauser expects Mifflin Township to be called upon for community vaccination events. Administrator White said the event was well attended by not only law enforcement but also public officials. Chair Stewart offered congratulations to the staff for their hard work orchestrating the event.

Chief Kauser updated the trustees on a fire that occurred in the township.

Fiscal Officer Duff announced that the latest CARES Act funding excludes townships from the distribution of funds. Administrator White said she would send an e-mail to Marisa Myers of the Ohio Township Association to inquire if they are pursuing this funding on the townships' behalf.

Mr. Angelou moved to adjourn the meeting. Chair Stewart seconded. All voted yea. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

Lynn M. Stewart, Chair

Richard J. Angelou, Trustee

Kevin J. Cavener, Vice Chairman

Rick Duff, Fiscal Officer