

## **Middlefield Township**

### **October 14, 2019 – Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

#### **Meeting Called to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Robert Troyer.

Present were Trustees, Robert Troyer, Mervin Miller and Paul Porter, Secretary Heidi Snyder, and the following guests: Robert Demko, James Martin, Nathan Rostocil, Eddie Miller and Joe Peretto.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### **Additions and or Deletions for the Agenda**

One: Purchase of new Roller for roads.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

September 9, 2019 meeting minutes reviewed. P. Porter made motion to approve minutes as written, seconded by M. Miller. All in favor. (R. Troyer abstained as he was not present). Minutes approved.

#### **Old Business**

No old business.

#### **New Business**

**Opening of Bids for Addition:** Bids for addition opened as:

James Martin Contractor Services (James Martin): \$588,444.75

Kline Rostocil (Nathan Rostocil): \$692,154.00

Classical Construction (Ed Miller): \$553,675.00

Enzoco Construction (Joe Peretto): \$488,000.00

Detweiler Construction (Enos Detweiler, not present): \$487,997.43 (corrected 11/11/19)

Those present for opening of bids departed. Brief discussion on variety of bids. Next step is to have legal counsel review. Architect will also be contacted for review of bid for project parameter inclusiveness.

**Station Road:** A resolution prepared by Burton Township is presented for consideration. Rob Demko attended the Burton Township meeting and also had discussion with County and shared his knowledge concerning the proposed project, including that the county may do an Issue 2 job on that road. The resolution does not seem to take into consideration the verbal understanding between Burton and Middlefield, being that Middlefield's portion maxes out at \$40,000. Question raised on whether a survey should be done as there was recollection that the width of the road is primarily in Burton Township (possibly 10 feet in Middlefield, 30 feet in Burton). The conversations between Bob Troyer and Ken Burnett included the contribution amount of \$40,000 by Middlefield. According to Mr. Demko, the estimated cost for the work

on station Road would be \$280,000, and the estimate for issue 2 money would be \$140,000, resulting in a balance of \$140,000 to be paid by Burton Township and Middlefield Township. The proposed resolution indicates the townships would split that amount, totaling \$70,000 per Township. The trustees were not comfortable with leaving the amount open like a blank check. However, in hopes of moving things forward once the understanding was cleared up, Merv Miller made motion to accept resolution, pending review of cost of project resulting in no more than the \$40,000 to Middlefield Township as agreed (Bob Troyer is to discuss with County), and Paul Porter seconded the motion, with the reservation of right to not formalize the resolution as written.

In addition, there is concern that cul-de-sac may be suggested which would increase cost. The current language of the resolution has no dollar amount in it and the full scope of the project is unknown.

**OTARMA:** appraisals of the buildings will be October 31, 2019.

**New Roller:** Southeastern Equipment in Mentor Ohio will take our old roller in as trade-in for \$9,000 toward the purchase of the new roller. The new roller had a cost of \$29,000 so, that brings of the new roller down to \$20,000. Motion to purchase a new roller was made by Merv Miller, including trade-in of the old roller, seconded by Paul Porter. All in favor. **Resolution 2019-16** (to purchase new roller from Southeastern Equipment).

Brief discussion on finding a new vendor or consultant for Township newsletter.

No other new business.

### **Reports**

**Road Superintendent:** Hayes and Swine Creek ditches, etc. look good. Station Road (see above).

**Service Garage:** New roller (see above).

**Fire District:** Still waiting on contract.

**Ambulance Service:** Nothing new.

**Sheriff's Report:** no report.

### **Fiscal Officers Report**

**Management Report:** Reports distributed, reviewed and signed. Purchase orders reviewed and signed.

**Payment of Bills:** Bills were presented for payment in amount of \$139,046.21. Motion to pay bills in amount of \$139,046.21 was made by M. Miller and seconded by P. Porter. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks signed. Bills paid.

Discussion prior to adjournment: Rob Demko would like to thank Mary Ann Pierce for properly processing his paperwork to end the employment relationship effective October 31 2019 with OPERS. He thinks the board of trustees for hiring him these last eight years. He offered praise for Tom, Ray and Terry for all the hard work accomplished. He appreciated as well, the Cintas uniforms provided, to save his clothing. Trustees expressed appreciation to Rob as well. Discussion on potential need to expand crew for next year.

**Adjournment:** No further business before the Board. M. Miller made motion to adjourn at 8:13 p.m., seconded by P. Porter. No further discussion or opposition to the motion as stated, motion approved. Meeting adjourned.

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Robert Troyer, Chairman

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Mary Ann Pierce, Chief Fiscal Officer

Minutes by Heidi Snyder, Secretary