

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
German Township Board of Trustees
Regular Session
February 11, 2020

The German Township Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 8:00 a.m. at the German Township Office, 3940 Lawrenceville Dr., Springfield, Ohio. Mr. Metzger called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Mr. Metzger - present; Mr. Kaffenbarger – present; Mr. Clark- present
Fiscal Officer: Angela Griest - present

Township Personnel present: Mike Stitzel, Police Chief; Tim Holman, Fire Chief; Mark Bevan, Maintenance Supervisor; Jon Wilson, Maintenance; George Degenhart, Zoning; and Karina Emory, Secretary.

Visitors: Angel Collins; Kim Northup; Reginald Stringer

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

- A. Motion to approve the minutes for January 14, 2020:
Motion: Mr. Clark 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes- All

Hearing of the Public

Larry Shaffer, CCCHD, ref: 3883 Lawrenceville Drive

- Owner: Bryant Hallam. He has been sent a letter to clean up property. Has 14 days to clean up the property. Do not foresee it getting cleaned up, Mr. Hallam currently in jail.
 - The County will probably have to clean it up, and the expenses put on the taxes, however, he is already behind on the taxes.
 - The County Health Department will be supplying a dumpster and labor. We would like to request the use of a loader from the Township.
 - Will receive notification before the cleanup begins, and will be dependent on weather conditions.
- B. Motion to assist the CCCHD with cleanup of property at 3883 Lawrenceville Drive by providing loader and driver:
Motion: Mr. Clark 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes- All
- Trustees then brought up the property on 1646 Ballentine Pike concerning trash and debris at that property. Mr. Shaffer stated he would drive by the property today. Mr. Degenhart to work with him concerning this property.

Fiscal Officer:

- C. Motion to receive the January 2020 management reports and annual Financial Report for 2019:
Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Clark Ayes- All
- D. Motion to approve payments issued January 14, 2020 through February 11, 2020 \$131,823.18
Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Clark Ayes: All
- E. Motion to approve two percent raise for Chief Tim Holman retroactive to pay period beginning date of 12/30/2019 at \$58,516.07. The minutes of November 29, 2019 listed his rate of pay the same as 2019 instead of the new rate.
Motion: Mr. Clark 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes- All
- F. Motion to approve a two percent raise for Assistant Chief, Dan Price, retroactive to pay period beginning date of 12/30/2019 at \$7490.88. He had been inadvertently left off the approved list in both the November 29, 2019 and the December 31, 2019 minutes concerning a pay raise.
Motion: Mr. Clark 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes- All
- Received information concerning the OPEC-HC court case.

Zoning Department:

Mr. Degenhart presented the following:

- Gave a follow-up concerning information from the Ohio Township Association Conference concerning a flyer available that details information how Township Government spends less per capita and has fewer taxes per capita than other type of Government. Would like to see the Township order some of these flyers to be distributed.
- Also mentioned the Ohio Township Association Source books that are available for purchase, and would like to see us have the updated versions.

Fire Department

Chief Holman presented the following:

- Submitted an EMS Grant for supplies; a Fire grant for SCBA's; and a FEMA Grant for \$295,000.00 for a fire truck to replace our thirty (30) year old truck.
- There is a Fire & Ems Conference in March in Columbus, asking for approval for the lodging and meal expenses at approximately \$1200.00.
- G. Motion to approve the Fire & EMS Conference in March in Columbus for a cost of \$1200.00:
Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Clark Ayes- All
- Request reimbursement to the German Township Fire Association for \$1982.40 for the food at the Fire Banquet.
- H. Motion to approve the reimbursement for \$1982.40:
Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Clark Ayes- All

Police Department:

Chief Stitzel presented the following:

- Still looking for a police car. There is one on auction – 2014 Ford Explorer from Tipp City. Had been a K-9 unit. Comes equipped. Talked with the K-9 handler about the car and there are no issues. Book price is \$14,000. Has about \$5000 worth of equipment. Would like permission to bid up to \$14,000 for the vehicle.
- I. Motion to approve bid up to \$14,000 for this vehicle.
Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Clark Ayes- All
- GovDeals.com has an auction for twelve (12) tasers with cartridges and holsters. New tasers would cost approximately \$970.00 each, plus the costs of the holster and cartridges. I would like to bid on these, with a ceiling bid of \$2100.00.
- J. Motion to approve the bidding up to \$2100.00 for the twelve taser units, holsters and cartridges:
Motion: Mr. Clark 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes- All
- Would like to purchase fifty (50) - 8gb flash drives with German Township printed on them, due to the fact that once they are done with them at the Sheriff's Department, they are put in a box and then we cannot tell which drives are ours. If they were marked, we could retrieve them and reuse them.
- K. Motion to approve the purchase of fifty (50) - 8gb flash drives, printed with German Township on them for a cost \$338.00.
Motion: Mr. Kaffenbarger 2nd: Mr. Clark Ayes- All
- The Fire Department will be selling some of their VHF portable radios. The Police department would be interested in having some of these radios to be able to communicate with officers when the MARCS radio system goes down (which has happened). Chief Holman stated we still have the repeater, and the radio frequency.
- Last month the Trustees had approved the hiring of Dorothy Stringer contingent on her passing her exams. Today I would like state she has passed her exams, and would like to swear her in as a German Township Officer. Chief Stitzel administered the Oath.

Maintenance Department:

Mr. Bevan presented the following:

- The County will be refilling the salt bin. We have used 7 loads – 10 ton per load.
- Tremont City is also using the salt. They are to sign when they take out salt. County will bill them for their salt.
- Cemetery cleaned up after burials.
- Skid loader is running again.
- Baker Road and Wildflower are not looking very good.
- The catch basin on Creekwood has been concreted. Just need to finish up with black top.

Old Business:

- Repairs to the generator are complete. Cost approximately \$400.00.

New Business:

- L. Motion to approve the cost of \$2489.10 from Superior Petroleum Equipment, LLC for estimates for labor and material to install a deliberant wireless system for the existing FuelMaster pedestal. Had verbal approval by all three trustees 01-30-2020.

Motion: Mr. Clark 2nd: Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes- All

- M. Motion to adjourn by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Kaffenbarger Ayes: All

Approved by:

Board of German Township Trustees

Recorded in the
Record of Proceedings
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Charles Metzger, President

Rodney Kaffenbarger, Vice President

Angela D. Griest, Fiscal Officer

Robert Clark, Member