

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Lawrence Township Trustees

Regular Meeting

January 11, 2024

The Trustees of Lawrence Township met in regular session at 7:00PM. in the Charles E. Lundenberger Memorial Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ackerman. All Trustees were present.

Minutes from the December 28, 2023 regular meeting were approved.

The above bills were approved by the Board and checks were written and Fiscal Officer presented Trustees with December 2023 bank reconciliation.

RESOLUTIONS

Ritterbeck made a **motion** to approve **Resolution 10-24 Approving \$3,704,340.40 Appropriations for Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2024**, seconded by Haueter. Ackerman:yes;

Haueter:yes;Ritterbeck:yes. **Motion** passed. Ritterbeck made a **motion** to approve **Resolution 11-24 to Pay Trustees and Fiscal Officer Wages Based on Annual Budget and Mileage Reimbursement at \$.67 Cents Per Mile, Including Township Employees on Township Business**, seconded by Haueter. Ackerman:yes; Haueter:yes;Ritterbeck:yes. **Motion** passed.

PUBLIC SPEAKS

Trebel LLC representative Joe Garrett presented Trustees with a First Amendment to Master Service Agreement dated November 22, 2022 between Archer Energy LLC and Lawrence Township. The amendment provides a new electric rate of \$.06999 per kWh beginning February 2024 and extends the contract to May 31, 2025. Haueter made a **motion** to approve the First Amendment to Master Service Agreement, seconded by Ackerman. Ackerman:yes; Haueter:yes;Ritterbeck:yes. **Motion** passed.

MEETING

Ackerman made a **motion** to appoint Ritterbeck Chairman Trustees for 2024, seconded by Haueter. Ackerman:yes; Haueter:yes;Ritterbeck:obstained. **Motion** passed. Ackerman made a **motion**, seconded by Haueter to appoint the following committee chairs: Ackerman Regional Planning, Health Board Representative and Zoning Commission; Ron Weekley alternate to Regional Planning; Ritterbeck Health & Recreational Committee, Cemetery Committee and Street and Roads; Haueter Wellhead Protection, Safety Committee and Website. Ackerman:yes; Haueter:yes;Ritterbeck:yes. **Motion** passed. Assistant Road Superintendent Myers presented Trustees with a proposed list of roads to be paved in 2024 through the county asphalt program advising Trustees their recommendations are needed by the first meeting in February and they are ditching, working on down trees due to storm and updating the restroom in the garage. Road Superintended McNutt advised the MORE grant from OTARMA was increased to \$1,000 and they will use the funds to purchase more signs that are needed, presented Trustees with an estimate for the lights outside the garage and a generator for the building. Ritterbeck asked to get estimates for the electrical work to install the lights and estimate for update to gas meter needed to install generator. Zoning Inspector Weekley advised the Zoning Commission met and is finalizing changes to Article 4 Signs and that nonconforming signs already up will be permitted as long as they are maintained, Sleep Inn is still working on taking down their sign and Weekley received an application for the vacant Zoning Commission position. Weekley presented Trustees with a proposed resolution regarding adult use of cannabis and Trustees will take it under advisement. Ritterbeck made a **motion** to appoint Trustee Ackerman as Regional Planning representative and Weekley alternate, seconded by Haueter. Ackerman:yes; Haueter:yes;Ritterbeck:yes. **Motion** passed. Haueter made a **motion** to approve the Quarterly Credit Card report, seconded by Ritterbeck. Ackerman:yes; Haueter:yes;Ritterbeck:yes. **Motion** passed. Ritterbeck made a motion to seek grant funding for the generator and outside garage lights with the Township contributing 20% of the total cost and grant 80%, seconded by Haueter. Ackerman:yes; Haueter:yes; Ritterbeck:yes. **Motion** passed. Mann advised the copier was repaired but it is old and parts are going to be harder to find, burial transit book 2 is complete and part of cemetery book 2 has been scanned for backup.

A motion to adjourn was made and so ordered by the Chairman.

ATTEST:

_____, Fiscal Officer
Ann Marie Ackerman

_____, Trustee
Matthew Ritterbeck

APPROVED:

_____, Chairman
Donald Ackerman

_____, Trustee
Michael Haueter