Monroe Township Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2022

6:30 p .m.

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Peck at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Mr. Forder-present, Ms. Jowers-present, Mr. Peck-present, Ms. Forder-present

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Guest Speakers: Clermont County Commissioner Dave Painter

Mr. Painter explained to the Board of Trustees the OhioOne Program and the steps that need to be completed.

Katlin Verdin: Ms. Verdin displayed a drawing of the project she is working on for Laurel Cemetery for a Girl Scout goal. The project has to be completed by September 30, 2022. After completion she would like to have a ribbon cutting.

Deputy Morgan: n/a

Township Business:

Fiscal Officer Candace Forder

Motion# 125-2022 was made by Ms. Jowers to approve the Monroe Township Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes dated July 26, 2022 as presented. Mr. Forder 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Motion# 126-2022 was made by Mr. Forder to approve the Monroe Township Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes dated August 3, 2022 as presented. Ms. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Motion# 127-2022 was made by Ms. Jowers to approve the financial statements (included in packets) for the period ending July 31, 2022 as presented. Mr. Forder 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Zoning-Mike Boots

1 permit issued since the last meeting. There were 7 follow-up letters mailed and 3 zoning violations resolved. Starlite Drive-In has invited Monroe Township Board of Trustees, employees and families to attend the 75th anniversary celebration.

Maintenance Greg Schrichten

Report in writing.

SOS had inspected Fair Oak Park and contacted Mr. Schrichten concerned with needles found in the septic system. The Township will price boxes to install in the restrooms at both parks.

After the heavy rain there was a lot of damage on Dry Run Road. The maintenance department has been working on the land slides and culvert pipes that had washed out.

Mowing for the township:

The Township was informed Kickgrass will no longer service the township. There were two quotes received for mowing price per week of \$4323.38 and \$4190.00. Kickgrass 's weekly price was \$1625.00.

Mr. Schrichten and Mr. Cramer have priced the equipment needed for the township to perform this service in house. 2 mowers, 2 weed eaters, and one trailer for under 30,000.00. The township would need to add another employee for maintenance and cemetery.

Motion# 128-2022 was made by Mr. Jowers to purchase the equipment needed for mowing. Mr. Forder 2^{nd} the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Motion# 129-2022 was made by Mr. Forder to advertise to hire a full-time maintenance-cemetery employee. Ms. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Cemeteries Jerry Cramer

1 burial for the month.

Fire/EMS Chief Steve Downey

Report in writing. 128 runs for the month.

Motion# 130-2022 was made by Mr. Forder to accept the resignation letter from Doug Jones effective August 7, 2022. Mr. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Motion# 131-2022 was made by Ms. Jowers to accept the resignation letter from Aaron Walters effective- August 7, 2022. Mr. Forder 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Motion# 132-2022 was made by Mr. Forder to hire Anthony Addison as a part-time FF/EMT with a pay rate of \$14.80 per hour with a one-year probation effective August 7, 2022. Ms. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Motion# 133-2022 was made by Ms. Jowers to hire Michael Nichols as a part-time FF/EMT with a pay rate of \$14.80 per hour with a one-year probation effective August 6, 2022. Mr. Forder 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Motion# 134-2022 was made by Mr. Forder to enter into Executive Session per ORC# 121.22 (G) (a) employment of a public employee. Ms. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Entered into Executive Session at 7:29 p.m.

Returned to regular session at 7:38 p.m.

Roll Call: Mr. Forder-present, Ms. Jowers-present, Mr. Peck-present, Ms. Forder-present

Action taken:

Motion# 135-2022 was made by Mr. Forder to promote Michael Welch to full-time Lieutenant with a pay rate of \$16.89 per hour with a 6-month probation effective August 21, 2022. Ms. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Motion# 136-2022 was made by Ms. Jowers to promote Courtney Dean to full-time Lieutenant with a pay rate of \$16.89 per hour with a 6-month probation effective August 21, 2022. Mr. Forder 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr.Peck-yes

Motion# 137-2022 was made by Mr. Forder to promote Jake Vonder Mullen to full-time Lieutenant with a pay rate of \$17.12 per hour with a 6-month probation effective August 21, 2022. Ms. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Motion# 138-2022 was made by Mr. Forder to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Jowers 2nd the motion.

Vote: Mr. Forder-yes, Ms. Jowers-yes, Mr. Peck-yes

Meeting adjourn at 7:38 p.m.

Minutes taken by Candace Forder

Mr. Forder _____-

Ms. Jowers _____

Mr. Peck ______