

The Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, Tuesday, June 22, 2021, was called to order at approximately 7:00 PM by Chairman Weimer, at the Fire Station. After the Pledge of Allegiance roll call was taken. Chairman Weimer, Trustee Tomaino, Trustee Campbell, Fiscal Officer Balsinger, Fire Chief Maynard, Police Chief VanDyke, Zoning Inspector Kurilla, Road & Cemetery David Dunn, Sr., Administrative Assistant Tara Balsinger were all present.

Trustee Weimer moved to approve the minutes from Regular meeting of May 4, 2021 and Special Meeting May 24, 2021, 06-22-21-01, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Fiscal Officer Balsinger gave the financial report through May 31, 2021 - Total Fund Balances available for Milton Township are \$2,176,434.13. The General Fund balance is \$609,403.45, which represents approximately 28% of all funds available. The Fiscal Officer asked for approval of payments by Warrants #31597 through #31653 and EFT #178 through #229 totaling \$78,967.26. Receipts to date are \$704,618.58 as of May 31, 2021. The YTD Expenditure as of 5/31/21 is \$491,897.81. Ms. Balsinger also reported all departments are within their budgets and received their departmental reports.

Trustee Campbell moved to approve the financial report, and to approve the payments by Warrants #31597 through #31653 and EFT #178 through #229 totaling \$78,967.26, 06-22-21-02, seconded by Trustee Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

ROAD & CEMETERY DEPARTMENTS:

Road Report:

1. Mill Road Culvert replacement has been completed.
2. Contractor that damaged Mill Road was tracked down and billed for repairs.
3. First mowing was done and will be starting second mow next week.
4. Yellow dump was back in the shop, cost of repairs was \$802.55
5. Had numerous complaints about water backing up into garages due to leaves piled in the ditches.

Cemetery Report:

1. Three burials for the month.
2. Three new foundations have been installed, awaiting headstone placement.

Recycling Report:

There has been illegal dumping due to people from out of town.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Maynard reported May had a total of 35 calls. 27 in Milton Township and 8 others. Calls were – 0 structure fire, 2 accidents, 18 medical, 0 grass fire, 0 carbon monoxide, 1 trees/wires down, 0 car fire, 1 water emergency/rescue, 8 mutual aid, 0 burning complaints, 2 alarm activation, 0 gas leak and 3 other. 163 total calls for 2021. Total Medical Transports in May by MFD – 9.

1. All bills have been submitted for payment to the Fiscal Officer.
2. The repairs have been completed to the tanker truck to receive DOT Certification.
3. Fire will be participating in the July 4th Parades and also will be assisting Newton falls with the fireworks display.
4. Chief has not received any information on the future of the Lake Milton Fireworks for August.
5. LM Historical Society has asked to use the fire station for the next upcoming meeting, they are hoping to increase their membership to get the group active again.

6. Several poles in the township that have either been damaged by storms or accidents, some dating a couple of years. Chief will reach out to the phone and cable companies letting them know these are hazardous and need corrected. If no responds then he will also reach out to the PUCO.
7. Waiting on levy paperwork to be finalized to get signs made to place out for support of the levy.
8. The department had issues recently with one of the stretchers on the ambulance, attempts have been made to trouble shoot the old stretcher. A new stretcher could cost \$1,500 or more, but chief was able to reach an agreement with Newton Falls Joint Fire District and they had a new stretcher from their new ambulance that did not use and they donated that stretcher to our department.
9. Chief submitted a list of distress properties in Milton Township to be reviewed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

1. Stats report submitted
2. Parts for cruiser 504 have been ordered but have not received as of this date.
3. The department took delivery of the new cruiser 508 and has been put into service.
4. The Jag LE and Byrne Grant will be combined into one grant beginning 2021. The LE grant was typically the grant used for equipment and the Byrne grant for manpower. Because of the changes the department had to decide what to write the grant for either manpower or equipment. The decision was made to submit for manpower.
5. The COPS grant has been submitted.
6. OPOTA has rolled out a new online training platform. Currently, the platform has 16 hours of training available through it. Chief is evaluating the new learning Management System.

ZONING:

Zoning Inspector Kurilla reported four permits issued for the month of May. Estimated valuation for the month of May \$567,000.00 - Estimate valuation to date of year 2021, \$5,462,668.00. Total amount of permit fees for the month of May \$2,515 Total amount of receipts to YTD 2021 \$27,735.00.

Mr. Kurilla submitted a stat sheet to the Mahoning County Commissioners regarding all the new construction for Milton Township for this year to date. A copy was given to the board.

CORRESPONDENCE

Thank You from the American Legion and Annual financial report from the county Health Department.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Will follow up on the status of the levy with the Mahoning County Board of Elections.
2. Parking Lot information was tabled.
3. Debt collection with the Attorney General Office is waiting on final IT signature from Lifeforce.
4. BMV Driving record results have been returned with no issues found.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Still waiting on final vote from the State regarding the American Rescue Plan Act distribution and also how much each township will finally get.
2. There has been a large increase in fraudulent unemployment claims, we have received a claim for one of our volunteer fire fighters and we are in the process of validating this claim. There has been letters from the state and the prosecutor's office on how to handle and fraudulent claims we receive.
3. Would like approval to order new warranty covered chairs for the police department in the amount of \$3,999.88.

Trustee Campbell moved to approve the purchase of the new office chairs for the police department in the amount of \$3,999.88, 06-22-21-03, seconded by Trustee Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

Chairman Weimer moved to appoint Alternate Zoning Commission member Pamela Quirk to full term member expiration of January 1, 2024, 06-22-21-04, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Campbell moved to appoint Edward Villone to full term position on the Zoning Commission upon resignation of Chad Pirtle, term expiration January 1, 2023, 06-22-21-05, seconded by Chairman Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

Chairman Weimer moved to pass a nuisance resolution for 17879 Maplewood Avenue, 06-22-21-06, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Chairman Weimer moved to pass a nuisance resolution for 246 Roselawn Street, 06-22-21-07, seconded by Trustee Campbell and passed with 3 ayes.

Chairman Weimer moved to accept the new recycling contract, 06-22-21-08, seconded by Trustee Campbell and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Tomaino has copies of the sewer and water reports that were available at the Mahoning County Commissioner's meeting.

Reminders:

*NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY, July 20, 2021 --7 PM-FIRE STATION REGULAR MEETING
MCTA ANNUAL PICNIC MEETING/FAIRGROUNDS AUGUST 19 @ 6PM
MCTA FALL DINNER MEETING THURSDAY OCTOBER 7TH MILLCREEK FELLOWS RIVERSIDE
GARDENS HOSTED BY COITSVILLE.*

Public Comments:

None

Trustee Campbell moved to go into executive session at 8:12 PM to discuss wages, benefits & employee disciplinary action, 06-22-21-09, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Tomaino moved to come out of executive session and return to regular session at 8:53 PM, 06-22-21-10, seconded by Trustee Weimer and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Campbell moved to have Brian Gordon and Nolan Kettle removed from the Milton Township Volunteer Fire Fighter roster effective immediately, 06-22-21-11, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Trustee Weimer moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 PM, 06-22-21-12, seconded by Trustee Tomaino and passed with 3 ayes.

Date: 07/20/2021