

VERMILION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES***Record of Proceedings
Minutes to Regular Meeting Held 1/15/20***

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Charles T. Trinter.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Charles T. Trinter, Trustee; Ronald L. Dickel, Trustee; Carl E. Hill, Trustee; Robert Kurtz, Building Official/Zoning Administrator; Tina L. Karres, Township Secretary.

Absent: Brenda J. Zsebik, Fiscal Officer; Frank R. Triana, Vermilion Township Fire Chief.

MOTION BY R. Dickel, second by C. Hill to approve minutes to regular meeting held 1/8/20 and dispense with the reading of the minutes. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Hill, yes; Motion Carried.

MOTION BY C. Hill, second by R. Dickel to accept the Treasurer's Report and Financial Packet dated 1/14/20. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Hill, yes; Motion Carried.

MOTION BY R. Dickel, second by C. Trinter to approve and pay warrants 24131 through 24171 (1-2020, 5-2020 Adjustments). Warrants totaled \$29,718.55. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Hill, yes; Motion Carried.

ROAD DEPARTMENT:

Steve Young, Road Foreman, reported on the following: The 2020 International dump truck has arrived from Rush Truck Centers for the Board to inspect prior to it being sent off to Judco Inc. to get outfitted; Mr. Young obtained a price for the backhoe of \$113,484.00 (approximately 47% discount) and discussed all the specifications. He stated that it was a savings of approximately \$94,000.00 and the price will be good through February 28, 2020. He also informed the Board a decision will need to be made whether to purchase the warranty at a cost of approximately \$3,500.00 (3,000 hours or 60 months). Mr. Young asked the Board to review all the information and added it would take approximately eight (8) to twelve (12) weeks for delivery; Ignition repairs have been completed on the Western Star truck; and Mr. Young asked Mr. Kurtz if there have been any updates regarding obtaining quotes for the new office construction project. Mr. Kurtz responded no progress has been made. Mr. Young recommended the office construction project be bid out since Mr. Kurtz can't find any contractors to give a price on the project. Trustee Dickel responded that we need to try and get a contractor for the office project. Mr. Kurtz stated he talked to a couple of contractors again and never heard back from them. Trustee Hill stated he would be sending a contractor down regarding a quote for the office project.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Mr. Riggs asked if the Board had time to review all the material for the minor boundary realignment issue. Mr. Kurtz stated the issue will be brought up under old business.

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SPEAKERS:

None present.

CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence.

BUILDING OFFICIAL/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:

Building Official/Zoning Administrator, Robert Kurtz, reported the 2019 Building Department year-end totals as follows: 216 Permits Issued (14 new homes) with total value of work being done at \$6,805,913.00 (\$3,990,797.00 value of new homes); 605 Total Inspections – 31 Property Maintenance Violation Inspections, 38 No Permit Violation Inspections, 41 High Grass Violation Inspections, 495 Building Inspections (290 Approved, 118 Conditionally Approved, and 87 Not Approved).

VERMILION TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Asst. Chief Kurtz read Chief F. Triana's report in his absence: Fire Runs between 1/1/20 – 1/14/20. EMS – 19; Smoke in basement -1; MVA w/injury – 1; YTD: 21 Runs.

Breathing Air Systems was in Tuesday, January 14, 2020. A leak in one of the high-pressure hoses was located. New hose has been ordered and will be replaced upon arrival. Until this is repaired, they will not use the system.

NORTHERN OHIO RURAL WATER REPRESENTATIVE:

None present.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Kurtz presented a resolution listing the rationale and justifications to consider a minor zip code boundary realignment for all properties from Sperry Road to the township line including vacant properties (involves six houses) from the 44889 zip code to the 44089 zip code. Under section 439.322 of the postal operations manual, the district managers have the authority to approve and implement requests for minor realignments within their districts. Mr. Kurtz stated there still will need to be a survey completed by the affected residents in order to move forward with this request. It would need to be a simple majority or fifty percent in favor of the address change. Mr. Kurtz noted there would be approximately eleven property owners receiving the survey. If there is not a simple majority the request will not be considered. Trustee Hill asked if there were any property owners against the address change. Mr. Riggs stated, as of this meeting, he had not been able to contact all the affected property owners.

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MOTION BY C. Trinter, second by R. Dickel requesting the US Postal Service to review and consider the minor zip code boundary realignment for six (6) occupied properties and five (5) vacant properties located on State Road (St. Rt. 60) in Vermilion Township to be changed from the 44889 zip code to the 44089 zip code, with the rationale and justification as stated in the resolution. Trustee Dickel added the survey definitely needs to be completed by all affected property owners to make sure they are agreeable with the proposed address change. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Hill, yes; Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-20

Mr. Kurtz reported, in regard to the issue that was brought up last meeting concerning a resident discharging firearm near the proximity of other residents, businesses, and the school district, the Vermilion Township Board has no authority to do anything. There is nothing legislatively that can be done. Mr. Kurtz stated the Board cannot restrict it or prohibit it. Under Ohio Revised Code, there is no expressly permitted or inherently implied authority for a township to regulate the discharging of a firearm. Under Ohio Revised Code 2923.161, there are rules pertaining to discharging a firearm within 1,000 feet of a school building, school zone, or anything to do with a school. There must be intent to cause physical harm to someone, cause the evacuation of a school or school function, or to create panic or fear at the school or school function. This falls into the criminal code and is completely law enforcement. Mr. Kurtz stated he has spoken with law enforcement and they informed him that the resident is doing everything properly. Mr. Kurtz ended with there was nothing that could be done from the township's perspective.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION BY R. Dickel, second by C. Trinter amending Resolution 48-19 the purchase of Health, Dental and Vision Insurance through Waypoint Benefit Solutions and adopt the Anthem SOCA MEWA Proposed Health Option Plan, PHI Delta Dental 1500 Plan and the PHI Avesis Option #4 Vision Plan effective January 1, 2020 until December 31, 2020. (Amendment is due to local dentists not using the PHI Dental Care Plus Group 1500 Plan.)

Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Hill, yes; Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2-20

MOTION BY: C. Trinter, second by R. Dickel to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:24 a.m. with no further business to discuss. Roll Call – R. Dickel, yes; C. Trinter, yes; C. Hill, yes; Motion Carried.

Charles T. Trinter

Trustee

Ronald Z. Dickel

Trustee

Trustee

Vina G. Larrea

Township Secretary