

TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO
MINUTES OF MEETING OF MAY 22, 2023
MEETING LOCATION: 17474 KERAN ST., BOURNEVILLE, OHIO

President Michael Whitt called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Officials present at roll call were: President Michael Whitt, Vice-President Michael Darbyshire, and Fiscal Officer William Jones. Trustee Bryan Bethel was absent.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived.

RESOLUTION 2023-05-22-01: Motion was made by Mr. Whitt and seconded by Mr. Darbyshire to approve the minutes as presented and also the agenda as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

none

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION

Mr. Darbyshire reported Lynn Cardin had contacted him about paving companies dumping hot mix on her property. He has resolved the issue with the companies. They have agreed to clean it up.

Mr. Whitt and Mr. Darbyshire inspected 20 Diamond Lane regarding nuisance issues. A contractor will be contacted to provide an estimate in cleaning it up.

Mr. Darbyshire has prepared a letter to be sent to all Township Trustees in Ross and all contiguous counties to ask support in petitioning the state of Ohio for a township share in federal infrastructure funds. The Fiscal Officer will prepare and mail the letters.

Mr. Darbyshire said he is investigating quotes from other paving companies concerning spot paving. This is due to the high cost of spot paving quoted by the Ross County Engineers paving contractor. More details to follow at future meetings.

FINANCIAL

RESOLUTION 2023-05-22-02:

Motion by Mr. Whitt and second by Mr. Darbyshire to approve:

- a) payment of bills as presented
- b) Purchase Orders and blanket certificates as presented
- c) supplemental appropriations and fund reallocations as presented

All voted yes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

none.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2023-05-22-03:

RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX
IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION
(REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.19)

Mr. Whitt moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of Twin Township, Ross County, Ohio, and it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of such limitation, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, by The Board of Trustees of Twin Township, Ross County, Ohio, two-thirds of the members elected thereto concurring, that it is necessary to levy a new tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of Twin Township, Ross County, Ohio, for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings or sites thereof, or sources of water supply and materials thereof, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent, part-time or volunteer fire fighters or fire fighting companies to operate the same, including the payment of the fireman employer's contribution required under Section 742.34 of the Revised Code, or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a fire department or fire fighting company, at a rate not exceeding one and one-half (1.5) mills for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to fifteen cents (\$0.15) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation, for a period of five (5) years commencing in January of tax year 2023, and extending for 2024, 2025, 2026, and 2027; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the question of levying such tax in excess of such limitation be submitted to the electors of Twin Township at the election held at the usual places in said township, on the 7th day of November, 2023, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said levy be placed upon the tax lists and duplicate for the year 2023, to be collected commencing with the year 2024, if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Fiscal Officer of this Board of Trustees of Twin Township, Ross County, Ohio, William Jones, be and is directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Board of Elections, Ross County, Ohio, immediately after its passage, and to notify the Board of Elections to cause notice of election on the question of levying said tax to be given as required by law.

Mr. Darbyshire seconded the resolution, and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Whitt - yea

Mr. Darbyshire - yea

RESOLUTION 2023-05-22-04:

Mr. Whitt moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of Twin Township, Ross County, Ohio, and it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of such limitation, now therefore be it

Resolved, by the Board of Trustees of Twin Township, Ross County, Ohio, two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, that it is necessary to levy a 1.5 mill tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of Twin Township, Ross County, Ohio, for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites therefore, or sources of water supply and materials therefore, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent, part-time or volunteer fire fighters or fire fighting companies to operate the same, including the payment of the fireman employer's contribution under Section 742.34 of the Revised Code, or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a fire department or fire fighting company,

Resolved, that the Fiscal Officer of this Board of Trustees of Twin Township, be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Ross County Auditor; and be it further

Resolved, that the Ross County Auditor certify to the Board of Trustees of Twin Township the current tax valuation and the dollar amount of revenue that will be generated by 1.5 mills.

Section 5705.19 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes the submission of this tax to the electors.

Mr. Darbyshire seconded the resolution, and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Darbyshire: Yea

Mr. Whitt: Yea

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Fire Chief Marty Johnson gave the report.

A letter will be sent to the Ross County Sheriff clarifying that the Twin Township Fire Department is to be toned out if there is a motor vehicle accident or fire in Twin Township.

The fire report was reviewed.

Motion by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Whitt to set the date for the next meeting for Monday, June 19, 2023, beginning at 6:30 p.m., and also to adjourn the current meeting. All voted yes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MEETING:

Michael Whitt, President

Michael Darbyshire, Vice-President

Bryan Bethel, Trustee