

**TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING OF OCTOBER 12, 2020**  
**MEETING LOCATION: TWIN TOWNSHIP GARAGE 10474 KERAN STREET**

President Michael Whitt called the meeting to order at 7:00 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. Also present was Jeff Raines, Emily Schmidt and Fire Chief Marty Johnson.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived.

**RESOLUTION 2020-11-9-01: Motion** was made by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Whitt to approve the minutes as presented and also the agenda as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr. Raines, representing the Pleasant Valley Regional Sewer District, discussed a repair project that would occur to the sewer line in the Franklin Circle Sub-division. The project will involve heavy dump trucks transporting material on township roads and after discussion, the route that seemed to present the less damage would be to use Franklin Circle to Gordon Drive to get to the repair site. Mr. Raines said video would be taken of the roadway both before and after the project, and the Sewer District will be responsible to repair any damage done to the road. The Trustees requested that one of them be present to review the roadway with Mr. Raines after the work has been completed to inspect any possible damages. He said he would do that. He also agreed to notify the residents living on Franklin Circle and Gordon Drive that will be affected by the truck traffic.

Ms. Schmidt spoke on behalf of the Ross County Sheriff, and asked if there were any township issues their office could help with. The Trustees discussed the installation of a sewer on township right-of-way on Kerr Hill Road. A residents driveway will be affected, and the resident has installed "handicapped parking" signs to try to prevent the sewer installation from happening. The Trustees plan to contact the property owner this week to try to resolve the issue, but if that was not successful, the Trustees asked if the Sheriff, the Prosecutor and the Ross County Engineer could attend the special meeting scheduled for 11/16/20 to advise them on this. Ms. Schmidt spoke to the Sheriff and he agreed to this.

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT**

Fire Chief Marty Johnson gave the report.

1. The stolen generator will be replaced by insurance.
2. Permission was requested to apply for two grants: MARCS Radio Grant (user fees and 5 new radios), and an AFG Grant (cascade system). **Motion** by Mr. Darbyshire to approve and second by Mr. Whitt. All voted yes. Motion passed.
3. Permission requested to enter into a contract to begin billing for the fire department for responding to auto accidents. Reports can be submitted for the previous 3 months. **Motion** by Mr. Darbyshire to approve and second by Mr. Whitt. All voted yes. Motion passed.
4. Repairs totaling \$980 have been made to Fire Truck 1601.
5. "Touchless" sinks and toilets for the firehouse are still being researched. The Trustees recommended the Fire Chief contact a plumber.
6. The Trustees reviewed the proposal by Accurate Mechanical to replace the existing furnace at the firehouse with a system that would improve the air quality and circulation as well as reduce the spread of air borne bacteria and viruses such as Covid-19. **Motion** by Mr. Darbyshire to approve the quote of \$13,000 for the project and second by Mr. Whitt. All voted yes. Motion passed.
7. Trustees advised the Fire Chief to consider using a portion of the township's Covid-19 funds to purchase turn-out gear if such was needed. The Fire Chief will determine how many sets are needed.

**CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION**

1. Mr. Whitt and Mr. Darbyshire reported they have handed out sprayers and sanitizing solution purchased by the township to churches in the township to combat the Covid-19 virus.
2. Mr. Darbyshire and Mr. Whitt reported they met with representatives of Paint Valley Local Schools to discuss if the schools were in need of any financial assistance in providing educational services to students during the current pandemic. A list of materials was provided to the Trustees from the school that totaled \$20,681.36. **Motion** by Mr. Darbyshire to approve the purchase of the materials using Covid-19 funds and seconded by Mr. Whitt. All voted yes. Motion passed.
3. The Fiscal Officer reported that the Covid-19 supplies to be distributed to the residents of Twin Township have arrived and are located in the front room of the township garage. Items include: touchless thermometers, oximeters, hand sanitizer and disposable paper masks.
4. The Fiscal Officer reported that he received a donation of \$99 to the Fire Department from Linda Carroll and Lynn Carden as a result of cash donations they received from the public for home-made masks they handed out to the community.

**FINANCIAL**

**RESOLUTION 2020-11-09-02:**

**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 as presented

All voted yes. Motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

none

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Motion** by Mr. Darbyshire to approve application to David Meade Massie Grant for cost to construct fencing at the Twin Township Cemetery and second by Mr. Whitt. All voted yes. Motion passed.

**Motion** by Mr. Whitt and second by Mr. Darbyshire to set the following work hours for employees during 5-day work week: starting time: 7:00 a.m. and ending time: 3:30 p.m. All voted yes. Motion passed.

**Motion** by Mr. Whitt and second by Mr. Darbyshire to set the start time for all future regular meetings of Twin Township Trustees to 6:00 p.m. All voted yes. Motion passed.

**Motion** by Mr. Whitt and second by Mr. Darbyshire to declare the property at 11383 U.S. Route 50 as a nuisance due to the trash in the yard, and to send such notice by registered mail to the owner of the property, directing the owner to clean it up. All voted yes. Motion passed.

**Motion** by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Whitt to adjourn at 8:53 p.m. All voted yes. Motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 11/09/20 TWIN TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MEETING:**

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Michael Whitt, President

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Michael Darbyshire, Vice-President

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Bryan Bethel, Trustee