

The Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees met in regular session at the Bainbridge Town Hall on December 7, 2009. Those present were trustees Mr. Matthew J.D. Lynch, Ms. Linda W. White and Mr. Jeffrey S. Markley and Fiscal Officer Mrs. Cherianne H. Measures. Mr. Lynch presided and called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Lynch made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the employment of public employees.

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The trustees recessed their regular meeting at 6:31 P.M. in order to go into executive session to discuss the employment of public employees.

The trustees returned from executive session after discussing the employment of public employees reconvening their meeting at 7:00 P.M.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Increased Staffing

Chief Phan presented his recommendation for increasing the staffing of the Fire Department proposed to be done in two phases. Chief Phan would like to hire two additional part-time firefighters before the end of the year. He also recommends beginning to staff five firefighters on duty seven days a week from 6:00 P.M. - 6:00 A.M. Between January and July 1, 2010, the Chief would like to hire an additional eight part-time firefighters to begin implementing staffing five firefighters 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Chief Phan met with the Fiscal Officer and clarified the actual amount being carried in the bank for the Fire Department, and as of December 4, 2009 the Fire Department balance was approximately \$1,500,000. The cost of adding the recommended additional manning for 2010 would cost \$132,000 and for 2011 would cost \$175,000.

Chief Phan and the board discussed the possibility of "soft" billing residents, but a decision was not reached at this time. This topic can be reviewed again after the first of the year, with much more information forthcoming.

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the implementation of the additional manning recommendation of five-man crews from 6:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M. from January 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010 and twenty four hours a day, seven days a week after July 1, 2010.

Mr. Markley seconded the motion. Vote followed: Mr. Lynch, aye; Ms. White, abstain; Mr. Markley, aye.

Hiring of Part Time Firefighters

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the hiring of Jamie Lukas EMT-B Grade C, per the recommendation of the Fire Chief.

Mr. Markley seconded the motion. Vote followed: Mr. Lynch, aye; Ms. White, abstain; Mr. Markley, aye.

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the hiring of Brian Harding EMT-P Grade C, per the recommendation of the Fire Chief.

Mr. Markley seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Disposal of Rescue Squad

Mr. Lynch moved to adopt Resolution TR-2009-1207 stating the following:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees intends to dispose of the 2001 International Horton 4700 Medium Duty Ambulance as soon as possible. The Bainbridge Township Fire Department no longer needs this vehicle and wishes to sell the said vehicle for a minimum of \$10,000.00 to the first prospective buyer.

This resolution shall be deemed effective immediately upon passage.

Mr. Markley seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Presentation from Chagrin River Watershed Partners

Ms. Rachel Webb, with Chagrin River Watershed Partners explained the highlights of the SWIF Grant Funding. The grants can be up to \$150,000 for two-year project periods that require no matching on single project grants on public property. The application deadline is February of 2010. Ms. Webb feels that infiltration basins or vegetated swales could be used effectively on the township property improvements of the parking lots at the Town Hall and the Veterans' Memorial Park. This project can work with our Phase II Stormwater plan but cannot replace the plan. The visibility can effect this award and there is an education level which can be as simple as signage near the site of the project. Ms. Webb constructed an outline of the proposed project that she is willing to present to the EPA on our behalf. The trustees were in general agreement to have Ms. Webb move forward on this project.

TOWN HALL -- OLD BUSINESS

Retire/Rehire Policy

Mr. Markley stated that he spoke with Rebecca Schlaag and she has sent via US Mail a two page opinion addressed to the Township Trustees. Unfortunately, we have not received the opinion as of today. The Retire/Rehire will be reviewed once the opinion is received.

TOWN HALL -- NEW BUSINESS

Temporary Appropriations

This will be reviewed next week after the board has had a chance to review the content of the appropriations.

PARKS DEPARTMENT

Part Time Employment

Mr. Lynch moved to approve the continue the employment of Ryan Herman for part-time Seasonal per the recommendation of the Property Superintendent.

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Mr. Markley asked if the contractor can clean up the grounds around the Bissell House before the ground will be frozen and covered with snow.

Ms. White asked the Township Administrator when the renovations of the administration offices will begin. Mr. Joyce did not have a definite answer.

Ms. White asked the Township Administrator when the phone conversion will occur. Mr. Joyce stated that the Police and Fire along with the Town Hall will be switched later this week and the Road Department will take longer.

Ms. White asked also where the security system quotes and Mr. Joyce responded that he should have that next week.

MINUTES

The minutes of the trustees' November 23, 2009 regular meetings were approved as read.

CHECKS DATED DECEMBER1, 2009 TO DECEMBER 7, 2009

The trustees examined the above checks and invoices for same, and Mr. Lynch moved that these checks for outstanding obligations be accepted for payment.

Ms. White seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Note: A copy of said checks is attached to, and becomes a permanent part of, these minutes.

Since there was no further business to come before this meeting of the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 P.M.