### **Hamilton Township Trustee Meeting**

February 1, 2023

Trustee Board Chairman, Mark Sousa, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Rozzi, Mr. Cordrey and Mr. Sousa were present.

Roll call as follows: Joe Rozzi Yes

Mark Sousa Yes Darryl Cordrey Yes

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

A motion was made by Mr. Sousa, with a second by Mr. Rozzi, to approve the clerk's journal and accept the tapes as the Official Meeting Minutes of the January 18, 2023, Trustee Meeting as well as Official Minutes and audio recording of the January 24, 2023 Special Meeting.

Roll call as follows: Darryl Cordrey Yes

Mark Sousa Yes Joe Rozzi Yes

A motion was made by Mr. Sousa, with a second by Mr. Rozzi, to approve the bills as presented before the Board.

Roll call as follows: Darryl Cordrey Yes

Mark Sousa Yes Joe Rozzi Yes

#### **Public Comments**

Mr. Sousa opened the floor to public comments at 6:01 pm.

Mr. Rusty Holman came forward to speak. He said he would like to public thank the Baileys for coming to speak last meeting. He mentioned that the Township has 16 months in reserves and believes that is a problem. He asked that the Board consider giving the residents a tax holiday.

Mr. Sousa closed the floor to public comments at 6:07 pm.

#### **New Business**

- Resolution 23-0201A: Accepting Section 7A in Turning Leaf Subdivision.

Mr. Sousa made a motion with a second from Mr. Rozzi to approve Resolution 23-0201A.

Roll call as follows: Mark Sousa Yes

Darryl Cordrey Yes Joe Rozzi Yes

- <u>Resolution 23-0201B</u>: Authorizing a contract with the Warren County Engineer's Office for the Warren County 2023 Resurfacing, Chip Seal and Striping Projects.

Mr. Sousa made a motion with a second from Mr. Rozzi to approve Resolution 23-0201B.

Roll call as follows: Mark Sousa Yes

Darryl Cordrey Yes Joe Rozzi Yes - Motion – Approve MOU with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 100.

Mr. Pegram explained that we have been trying to hire in the Public Works department for over a year now and have found a candidate that we would like to hire. However, there has been a law change in CDL licensing and are no longer able to train in house. We are proposing extending the probationary period from 6 months to 12 months. That way we are able to see if they are a good fit for the Township before sending them off for CDL training.

Ms. Allgever mentioned the Township will not be responsible to pay for the CDL training until after the 6 months.

Mr. Cordrey asked if we are paying for the CDL do they have to sign some sort of agreement saying they will stay with the Township for so long or they will have to pay the Township back?

Ms. Allgeyer said that we can add that, we do have it in place with other departments.

Mr. Sousa made a motion with a second from Mr. Rozzi to approve MOU as presented to the collective bargaining agreement with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 100.

Roll call as follows: Joe Rozzi Yes

Mark Sousa Yes Darryl Cordrey Yes

- Motion – update the Township roster as presented to the Board.

Mr. Sousa made a motion with a second from Mr. Rozzi to update the Township roster as presented to the Board.

Roll call as follows: Joe Rozzi Yes

Darryl Cordrey Yes Mark Sousa Yes

### **Administrator's Report**

Mr. Pegram mentioned that we have reached an agreement with Kroger and are able to move to the next step of the development. The intent is for construction to start this summer with completion by November 2024. Construction will be at the same time as the State Route 48 widening project, there will be a lot of construction in that area for the next 12-24 months. But this is an exciting time for the Township.

# **Trustee Comments**

Mr. Rozzi said he didn't have much but it was a sad loss for the Bengals this weekend.

Mr. Cordrey mentioned it was a great time at the OTA conference, good networking and team building. He gave a shout out to the Public Works crew for their hard work with the surprise snow storm. He also gave a shout out to the Administrative staff as well as Bricker in regards to the Kroger deal.

Mr. Sousa stated he didn't have too much to add but wanted to echo what was previously mentioned.

Ms. Juanita Combs came forward to speak, she mentioned she is over precinct 165. She stated that she is in agreeance with Mr. Holman. She asked if Mr. Pegram would have another meeting with Mr. Nolan to see what he should do with the extra reserves.

Mr. Sousa mentioned that we are having some traffic studies done at 22 & 48, and we are also waiting on guidance in reference to the development. He stated that is the biggest dollar amount

piece for us to fund. Once we get their recommendation we will have a clearer picture on what we should do with those reserves.

# **Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Sousa made a motion, with a second from Mr. Rozzi, to adjourn at 6:18 pm.

Roll call as follows: Joe Rozzi Yes

Mark Sousa Yes Darryl Cordrey Yes