

Hamilton Township Trustee Meeting

July 13, 2022

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

The *Pledge of Allegiance* was recited by all.

Public Comments

Mr. Rozzi opened the floor to public comments. No comments were made therefore he closed the floor to public comments to move onto the next agenda item.

New Business

- Resolution 22-0713: Authorizing the Township Administrator to submit a NatureWorks Grant application to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources on behalf of Hamilton Township, Warren County, Ohio.

Mr. Centers explained that this project is worthwhile. Normally our resident income level is too high for our Township to receive grants however this one is different as it is for a park recreational, or security project and we fit the mold. Cincinnati United is who we have a contract with in Marr Park, and they brought it to us. This is a 25% local shared match for a large picnic shelter at Marr Park. The total project cost is \$41,671. Our 25% share would be \$10,418.

The NatureWorks Grant Program is a reimbursable program. If the Board approves this, we will need to appropriate the total cost (\$41,671) and if we get the grant accepted, they will reimburse us \$31,253 which is 75% at the completion of the project. The reasoning for the Special meeting is that it was brought to Mr. Centers after the July 6th Trustee meeting, but the deadline is July 15th so before our next regular Trustee meeting.

Mr. Cordrey asked about the proposed area for this structure.

Mr. Centers showed on paper where the proposed location is.

Mr. Sousa asked about the timeline for the grant.

Mr. Centers stated that he believed it would be reviewed this year. Typically grants are done in April and October.

Mr. Rozzi asked if we knew our chances.

Mr. Centers stated that he did not. How it works is the County usually receives a certain amount of money and then its applied for by different jurisdictions. Looking at the scoring structure, he feels we have a good shot.

Mr. Sousa asked if we would need to bid out the appropriation of \$40,000 plus.

Mr. Centers stated that we would not have to bid out the project as it is below \$50,000.

Mr. Cordrey is concerned about the location in proximity to the new Fire Training Tower.

Mr. Centers explained that the Board will have weight in the final placement decision.

Mr. Rozzi asked if there is a power requirement. Mr. Centers is not aware of one.

A motion was made by Mr. Rozzi, with a second by Mr. Cordrey, to approve Resolution 22-0713.

Roll call as follows: Joe Rozzi Yes
Mark Sousa Yes
Darryl Cordrey Yes

Trustee Comments

Mr. Cordrey shared thoughts and prayers with Clearcreek Township for the officer shot.

Executive Session

Mr. Rozzi made a motion with a second from Mr. Cordrey to enter into Executive Session In reference to O.R.C. 121.22 (G)(1))

- (G)(1): To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official.

Roll call as follows: Joe Rozzi Yes
Mark Sousa Yes
Darryl Cordrey Yes

Mr. Rozzi made a motion with a second from Mr. Cordrey to come out of Executive Session at 7:46pm.

Roll call as follows: Joe Rozzi Yes
Mark Sousa Yes
Darryl Cordrey Yes

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Rozzi made a motion, with a second from Mr. Cordrey, to adjourn at 7:46pm.

Roll call as follows: Joe Rozzi Yes
Mark Sousa Yes
Darryl Cordrey Yes