

This duly posted Working Session commenced at 4:45 PM:

For the purposes of agenda review and review of general township matters.

General Session:

The regular meeting of the Monclova Township Board of Trustees commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance at 5:30 PM.

Trustee Roll Call: Trustee Barbara Lang, present; Trustee Chuck Hoecherl, present; Trustee Trudy Vicary, present.

Chairwoman Barbara Lang stated that the township has an official statement that they would like read into the record. Law Director Sanderson will be reading the statement on behalf of the trustees.

Attorney Sanderson statement at 5:30 PM.

The Elected Officials of Monclova Township early last year took a close look at the needs of the Fire Department to provide the safety services that the residents of the Township had been paying for and were entitled to receive. During those weeks of research and inquiry about the fire and EMS services, multiple complaints were received that led to an even closer look into the Department and its operations.

As provided by the Ohio Revised Code, a private citizen was designated to investigate the allegations made in those complaints and once the investigation is complete, a recommendation will be made to the Board of Trustees. Since then, the residents of the Township overwhelmingly passed the Fire and Police levies presented to them, and for that the Board says, "Thank you."

In the fall, the Trustees created a hiring committee made up of township residents with fire service backgrounds, along with the Township Administrator and Assistant Fire Chief to fill nine new fulltime positions for the Department. After an extensive search by the committee, a recommendation was made to the Board of Trustees who then approved the hiring of the nine individuals as recommended. After that meeting there was an incident with a resident acting in a disrespectful and irate manner, who made threatening comments to employees concerning the township and elected officials. Directly thereafter residents including Elected Officials began receiving offensive and malicious communications.

Intimidating or damaging behavior towards residents or township employees cannot go unaddressed. The incidents have been reported to the Sheriff, county prosecutor, and state officials. The Maumee prosecutor moved forward with formal charges on the first incident. Since it is now an on-going criminal matter, neither the Board nor Township employees are going to make any comments, except to say that additional investigations continue, which may result in more charges being brought against other individuals.

It is always the primary goal of the Board of Trustees to maintain or enhance the quality of life of the residents of Monclova Township by providing excellence of service, with fiscal responsibility and sound economic development, which they continue to do.

Trustees thanked Law Director Sanderson.

Moved by Trustee Lang, seconded by Trustee Vicary, to dispense with the reading of the minutes from December 19th and the Special Meeting minutes of December 30th 2022 and approve as submitted by Fiscal Officer Pike.

Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

This being the first being of the year, organizational items need to be addressed.

EXECUTIVE ITEMS:

Lang stated that there is a longstanding tradition of rotating chairmanship but she would be happy to be chair again and on serve on various committees including Health Department and TMACOG. Hoecherl stated his willingness to fulfill the role as chair.

Hoecherl moved to name himself as chair for 2023. Seconded by Lang. Roll Call: Lang, no; Hoecherl, yes;

Vicary stated that she wanted to honor the tradition of rotating chairmanship and then responded to the vote call, yes.

Lang moved to name Vicary as Vice Chair for the 2023 year. Hoecherl seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Hoecherl moved to establish the meeting times for the Board of Trustees 2023 meetings as 4:45 PM for Working Sessions and 5:30 PM for General Sessions in concert with the meeting dates previously established by this Board on November 7, 2022; exceptions and special meetings will be duly posted in accordance with Ohio Revised Code. Seconded by Lang. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Hoecherl moved to authorize the Township Administrator to act on contracts as the signatory for said documents that are approved by the Monclova Township Board of Trustees. Seconded by Lang. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Hoecherl moved to adopt Resolution No. 01032023-01 Declaring the Intent to Sell Property by Internet Auction. Seconded by Vicary. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

FINANCIAL:

Hoecherl moved that the mileage reimbursements be established in accordance with IRS publications and be adjusted as those publications are made available; and that the mileage reimbursement includes compensation for township officials while on township business per Ohio Revised Code, effective January 1st. Seconded by Vicary. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Hoecherl moved to allow for all necessary and reasonable expenses for the Trustees and Fiscal Officer to attend all Conferences and Township Association meetings, state and local government conferences and activities, Lucas County Township Association activities, and to allow for all necessary and reasonable expenses for the Administrator, Maintenance Supervisor, Zoning Administrator, Fire Chief, Assistant Chief, & Fire Prevention Officer to attend conferences. This includes reasonable meals for Elected Officials and township employees upon submission of an itemized receipt which will include a tip up to 15%. Alcohol is not reimbursable. Seconded by Vicary. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Lang asked for discussion regarding determination on membership in TMACOG. Hoecherl commented on grant and assistance of TMACOG. Lang moved to approve membership in Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments at the invoiced amount of \$7,633 for 2023. Seconded by Vicary. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Hoecherl moved to authorize payment from the township treasury the dues of the Lucas County Township Association and Ohio Township Association for 2023 including subscription to Ohio Township News for the Trustees and Fiscal Officer and also pay the 2023 Associate Membership fee for the Township Administrator, Maintenance Superintendent, Zoning Administrator, as well as interested individuals on the Board of Zoning Appeals and Zoning Commission as approved by the Township Administrator. Seconded by Lang. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Lang moved to authorize the Fiscal Officer to place temporary appropriations in funds as needed in various accounts retroactive to January 1st of this year. Seconded by Vicary. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Lang moved to approve electronic funds for payroll and other reoccurring bills that come due between trustees' meetings; all such payments will be formally included at the next trustees' meeting after payment. Vicary seconded. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Hoecherl moved to approve \$1,400 to Lucas Soil and Water Conservation for the 2023 contribution. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Hoecherl moved to approve up to \$2,500, upon review of last year's request, to this year's Monclova Township Firefighters annual recognition dinner to cover the cost of food and expenses, excluding alcohol and gifts to non-employees of the township. This will be provided as a reimbursement upon submittal of detailed vendor bills. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

COMPENSATION/FRINGE BENEFITS:

Hoecherl moved to adopt the Board of Trustees' compensation as salary as provided by the Ohio Revised Code. Seconded by Lang. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Hoecherl moved to authorize the purchase of medical, dental, vision and life insurance for all full-time employees and elected officials and that the premiums are to be made from the township treasury for coverage in 2023. Seconded by Lang. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Lang moved to authorize payment for the Monclova Township Zoning Commissioners at a rate of \$85 per meeting to be paid as contractors and not as Monclova Township employees. Seconded by Hoecherl. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Lang moved to authorize reimbursement to members of the Board of Zoning Appeals at a rate of \$85 per meeting to be paid as contractors and not as Monclova Township employees. Seconded by Vicary. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

APPOINTMENTS:

Lang moved to name Fiscal Officer and Township Administrator to represent township interests at the Tax Incentive Review Counsel for 2023. Seconded by Vicary. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Lang moved to nominate Trudy Vicary for the first half of 2023, and herself to serve as the township representative on the Monclova Historical Foundation for the second half of the 2023 year. Trustee Hoecherl will fill as needed. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Lang moved to nominate Chuck Hoecherl, as he is Chair, as representative to the Lucas County Health Department District Advisory Board for 2023. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Public Hearing:

Stoney Creek street lighting: Information has not been received from Toledo Edison. Vicary moved; seconded by Lang, to continue the public hearing to 5:30 PM on February 6th, 2023. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

New Business:

Lang moved to establish Z17-C375 on January 17 at 5:45 PM. Seconded by Hoecherl. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Administrator Grim gave a review of the Salisbury and Holloway Roads roundabout that was of concern to an affected property owner (5:53 PM). Lang commented on the township stance on beautification of roundabouts as more roundabouts are coming. Asking board to realize that there will be more concerns in the future about roundabouts and that the township should be proactive. Hoecherl concurred with Trustee Lang's sentiments. He stated that he has reached out to Toledo Arts Commission. Looking for meeting the needs of safety, maintenance, and aesthetics that fits the community.

Lang asked for Zoning Administrator Wagner to provide additional information regarding Z17-C375 for the upcoming hearing - history of site, uses of zoning, details of three other corners, as well a map that could be displayed that detailed the area.

Old Business:

Administrator shared information regarding OPWC grant for proposed sanitary sewer along Monclova Road. Grant was approved by the State of Ohio. Sewer and roundabout construction will be coordinated projects. Vicary commented on parcels that will benefit including the Administration building, the Community Center, the church, and 20+ commercially zoned parcels.

Organizational chart update: Lang commented on plans to put more structure within the organizational chart. Hoecherl commented on Ohio Plan's Lexipol which gives access to policy and procedures.

Township Administrator's Report:

Administrator commented on rate adjustment from Republic Services for trash and recycling collection. Offered general detail on informational items.

Hoecherl asked if there was attendee that had a question or comment regarding an agenda item.

Jackie Ankenbrandt, Albon Road, identified herself and suggested additional maps that Zoning Administrator Wagner could present to the Board at the Z17-C375 hearing. Lang stated her appreciation for the suggestion.

Executive Session:

At 6:05 PM moved by Hoecherl, seconded by Vicary, to close General Session and enter into Executive Session to discuss employee discipline, employment of a public employee, and economic development. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Moved by Hoecherl, seconded by Vicary, to return from Executive Session and re-enter General Session at approximately 6:40 PM. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Hoecherl stated that there is one action item as a result of the Executive Session. Hoecherl moved to approve Resolution 01032023-02, Authorizing Township Administrator to hire Douglas K. Holland, II as Road Superintendent and Cemetery Sexton at a rate of \$30 per hour to include township benefits; subject to pre-employment physical and a 180 probationary period. Seconded by Lang. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

Adjournment:

Moved by Hoecherl, seconded by Vicary, to adjourn at approximately 7 PM. Roll Call: Lang, yes; Hoecherl, yes; Vicary, yes.

ATTEST: _____
Gavin S. Pike, Fiscal Officer

BOARD OF TRUSTEES Accepted 01/17/2023

Charles V. Hoecherl

Trudy Vicary

Barbara S. Lang

Roll calls taken in random order. Official minutes will display signatures. This meeting was electronically recorded. Audio is available at monclovatwp.org during that same calendar year. Also on file in the Office of the Fiscal Officer in accordance with the township's Records Retention Schedule.