

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 002588

MADISON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES GROVEPORT, OHIO

REGULAR MEETING

February 27, 2024

The Madison Township Trustees met in regular session at 6:00 pm on February 27, 2024, at the Madison Township Community Center. Roll call showed the following trustees present: Trustee Katherine Chipps, Trustee Bruce Jarvis, and Trustee John Pritchard. Trustee Chipps led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to open the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS:

Chief Robinson presented service awards to Firefighter Kyle Peters for his 10 years of service and Inspector Edward G. (Dink) Dildine for his 30-year service award. All those present congratulated them and thanked them for their service.

Truro Township Trustee Dennis Nicodemus introduced himself as a new Ohio Township Association Board member.

Trebel LLC representative Erin Schmerschneider presented the new rate quotes to the Board for both the electric and gas aggregation. As in the past, only those serviced by AEP or Columbia Gas would be eligible for the Township program. The Board approved the new rates, which would begin in April 2024 before the current agreement end dates. The rate for gas aggregation with Archer Energy was approved for April 1, 2024, through May 30, 2026, at a rate of \$0.5859 per Ccf. The rate for electric aggregation with Archer Energy was approved for May 31, 2024, through May 31, 2025, for a fixed rate of \$0.06649 per kWh.

A suggested resolution was discussed which would allow Trebel LLC to continue to shop and lock in the second year's electric rate (not to exceed \$0.06649 per kWh; not including a new capacity rate). This authority would expire on March 26, 2024, and would allow for a more favorable electric rate to be negotiated.

Mr. Ryan Barksdale representing the W33 Program shared with the Board his vision to bring an exciting new after-school program located in Blacklick Estates to Groveport Madison students.

OLD BUSINESS:

Police Chief York reminded everyone that the Women's Self Defense class would be held on March 23, and that there were still spots available.

Administrator Brobst informed the Board that a survey regarding the SWACO recycling totes could be found on the Madison Township website, and encouraged residents to participate and provide thoughts of support or opposition. She reminded everyone that Madison Township is reconsidering a program with SWACO to obtain new 65-gallon recycling totes for residents in Madison Township at no cost to residents by utilizing a grant for this purpose.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Administrator Brobst reported that the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) was interested in public comments regarding the Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2024-2050 for the Central Ohio area. The map shows upgrades to roadways, new roads, trails, etc.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Fire Chief Robinson reported that there was a resolution on the agenda to enter into an agreement with the Rhodes State College that would allow their students to obtain field hours for their EMS certification. He also stated that several firefighters were recognized at the Columbus Division of Fire ceremony for their assistance on a run, which saved the life of a trapped individual.

Administrator Brobst announced that the Police department had received the Ohio Law Enforcement Body Armor Grant reimbursement for \$12,615.75, and a resolution to accept this award was on the agenda.

Public Works Superintendent Watkins shared that the Township's application for the Ohio Public Works Commission had received funding. The County Engineer's Office would assist in the bid process for improving the following streets: Glenfield, Bonita Place, Bixby Road just west of Ebright, and intersection improvements at Harbor and Tremaine, near Asbury School. He also asked the Board to approve a resolution that would allow our participation in the County Engineer's Resurfacing program for 2024. The specific streets would be determined in the next two months.

ADMINISTRATOR

Administrator Brobst announced that the Township had partnered with the Franklin County Auditor's Community Outreach program and scheduled a May 4th, Electronics Recycling and Document Shred-It event to be held at Brobst Park from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. This would be free to the public.

FISCAL OFFICER

Fiscal Officer Vermeer reported that the cash balance on the books was \$ 12,427,483.34 broken up into the following funds: Fire \$ 6,562,682.93, Police \$1,343,407.99, Public Works \$ 810,352.47 and General \$ 2,237,998.76. The balance remaining was split amongst several smaller, designated funds.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

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RESOLUTIONS:

51-2024 APPROVE & AUTHORIZE ADMIN SECOND AMEND GAS AGGR AGRT

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve and authorize the Administrator to sign documents for the second amendment to the Gas Master Service Agreement with Archer Energy, dated March 2022, and to extend the agreement from April 2024 through May 31, 2026, and establish a fixed rate price of \$0.5859 per Ccf. Exhibit:GASEXTEND02272024. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

52-2024 APPROVE & AUTHORIZE ADMIN FIRST AMEND ELECTRIC AGGR AGRT

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve and authorize the Administrator to sign documents for the first amendment to the Electric Master Service Agreement with Archer Energy, dated December 2022, and to extend the agreement from May 31, 2024, through May 31, 2025, and establish a fixed rate price of \$0.06649 per kWh. Exhibit:ELECTRICEXTEND02272024. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

53-2024 APPR AUTH ADMIN SIGN SEC AMEND ELECTRIC MSA SHOP EXTEND YR PRICE

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve and authorize the Administrator to sign documents for the second amendment to the Electric Master Service Agreement with Trebel LLC. This gives Trebel LLC limited agency authority to execute a favorable electric rate, not to exceed \$.06649 per kWh, exclusive of capacity, for the May 2025 - May 2026 term. This authority will be active through March 26, 2024, at which point it will expire. Exhibit: ELECTRICSHOP2025-202602272024. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

54-2024 APPROVE MINUTES REGULAR JANUARY 23, 2024, MTG

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve the minutes of the regular January 23, 2024 meeting as presented. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

55-2024 ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF PT FF NICHOLAS MURDOCK

Trustee Jarvis moved to accept the resignation of part-time Firefighter Nicholas Murdock effective February 5, 2024. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

56-2024 APPROVE TUITION REIMBURSEMENT CHAS ADAMS – Risk Red Fire Emg Serv

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve tuition reimbursement for Assistant Fire Chief Chas Adams for \$729.00 for the spring semester in Risk Reduction for Fire and Emergency Services (3 credits) for his Undergraduate Degree from Columbia Southern University upon successful completion. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

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57-2024 APPROVE & AUTH RHODES STATE COLLEGE CLINICAL AFFILIATION

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve and authorize the Fire Chief to enter into a Clinical Affiliation Agreement with Rhodes State College effective March 1, 2024, through February 29, 2028. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

58-2024 DECLARE POLICE ITEMS SURPLUS-DISPOSE OF TRASH

Trustee Jarvis moved to declare the Police Department, Exhibit: PDTRASH02272024, dated February 27, 2024, as surplus and designate it for trash disposal. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

59-2024 ACCEPT BODY ARMOR OH LAW ENF GRANT

Trustee Jarvis moved to accept the Ohio Law Enforcement Body Armor Grant reimbursement in the amount of \$12,615.75. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

60-2024 APPROVE PARTICIPATING FR. CO ENGINEER RESURFACING PROGRAM 2024

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve participation in the Franklin County Engineer Resurfacing Program for 2024. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

61-2024 APPROVE OTARMA INSURANCE RENEWAL

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve and authorize the Administrator to sign the Ohio Township Association Management Authority (OTARMA) insurance policy for Madison Township, from April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2025. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

62-2024 APPROVE 2024 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve the current expenses and other expenditures at the "Fund: Department: Personal Services" and "Fund: Department: Other levels" of the Madison Township Board of Trustees, Franklin County, Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, the sums totaling \$26,790,893.56 as listed in the extended minutes, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the several purposes for which expenditures are to be made for said fiscal year. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

63-2024 ACCEPT BANK RECONCILIATIONS AND REPORTS

Trustee Jarvis moved to accept the bank reconciliations and reports of the Fiscal Officer, as the cash journal and the bank balances agree through January 31, 2024, showing a balance of \$13,262,080.69. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

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64-2024 PAY BILLS, SIGN POs, APPROVE SUPPL. APPROP, SUPER BC's & TRANSFERS

Trustee Jarvis moved to pay bills, sign all purchase orders, and approve the list of supplemental appropriations, super blanket certificates, and inter-fund transfers. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

65-2024 APPROVE PERSONNEL FILE ADDITIONS LIST

Trustee Jarvis moved to accept the list of items for personnel files to be placed in the appropriate files. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

66-2024 APPROVE EXEC SESSION – FIRE AND POLICE

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve the Fire and Police executive session for the following purposes:

Considering the employment of a public employee or official
Considering the compensation of a public employee or official

Considering the discipline of a public employee or official

Preparing for negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of employment

Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

Trustee Jarvis moved to recess for ten minutes and resume in executive session at 7:17 PM. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

***** EXECUTIVE SESSION *****

Trustee Jarvis moved to close executive session and resume the meeting in open session at 10:14 PM, noting that no action was taken during executive session. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

67-2024 APPROVE MOU LOCAL 2507 SECTION 26.5

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Madison Township Firefighters Local 2507 regarding Section 26.5 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Exhibit:MOUFIRE26.501232024. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

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68-2024 APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE ADMIN AGREEMENT ZASHIN & RICH

Trustee Jarvis moved to approve and authorize the Administrator to enter into an agreement with Zashin & Rich per the Exhibit:ZashinRich02272024. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Jarvis moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 PM as there was no further business. Trustee Pritchard seconded the motion and roll call showed: Aye: Trustee Chipps, Trustee Jarvis, and Trustee Pritchard. Motion carried.

TRUSTEES:



Katherine Chipps



Bruce Jarvis



John Pritchard

FISCAL OFFICER



Laurie Vermeer, Fiscal Officer