

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Freedom Township Board of Trustees

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Held March 9, \_\_\_\_\_ 20 2022

The Board of Trustees of Freedom Township met on the above date. Mr. Schuerman called the meeting to order. Trustees Kent Schuerman and David Bruning were present. Trustee Richard Rahe attended the meeting virtually via teleconference in accordance with the Ohio H.B. 51, 134<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, which temporarily permits public bodies to meet virtually. (To expire on July 1, 2022.) Also present were, Fiscal Officer, Julie Getz and Road Superintendent, Robert Rentz.

*Mr. Bruning moved to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2022 meeting, seconded by Mr. Schuerman, all yes, motion carried.*

Bills and Payroll were presented. *A motion to accept the bills and payroll was made by Mr. Bruning, seconded by Mr. Schuerman, all yes, motion carried.*

Receipts were presented and reviewed. *A motion was made by Mr. Bruning to accept the Receipts as presented and Mr. Schuerman seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.*

**FUND REPORTS** – Fund reports were presented and reviewed.

**FIRE** – Mr. Schuerman reported that Mr. Stachoviak put the overhead door down on the fire truck as it pulled out from the station during an emergency call. The bottom panel of the door was damaged. Kent Appelkans contacted Sarver & Sons regarding replacement of the panel. Mr. Rentz said that he believes there is a panel we can use from the previous door. He will check on the panel. Julie reported that the insurance deductible is \$250.00 if the Trustees want to make a claim for the door.

**ROADS** – Bob Rentz reported that Morlock Excavating contact him to find out if the Township is planning to do put crack seal on any of the roads. The Board discussed options for roadwork. No decisions were made.

**CEMETERIES** – It is time to find seasonal help. Bob contacted Jakob Jared to see if he is planning to return this year. He will get back to us. Julie will put a “Help Wanted” ad in the Sentinel.

The new signs with dates for removing flowers and other memorials from the grave sites. Mr. Rentz plans to clean up the cemeteries following that March date.

Bob is looking at getting a new weed eater from Bee Gee Rental this year.

**MAINTENANCE BUILDING** – WDC sent RFPs to nine firms. Three firms have responded with proposals for Civil Engineering / Topographic Survey Services (Choice One Engineering, Feller Finch & Associates, and Van Horn, Hoover & Associates, Inc.). The Board considered the information submitted by the three firms. *Rick Rahe moved to hire Feller Finch & Associates to perform the Topographic Survey. David Bruning seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.*

WDC sent RFPs to three firms. Two firms have responded with proposals for Geotechnical and Construction Testing Services (Bowser Morner and TTL Associates Inc.). The proposals provided are comparable for combined services of soil borings and construction testing. The Board reviewed the options and *Rick Rahe moved to select TTL Associates, Inc. to provide Geotechnical and Construction Testing services for the building project. David Bruning seconded the motion, all yes, motion carried.*

Kent Schuerman has been in contact with Wood County Treasurer, Jane Spoerl, and Wood County Auditor, Matthew Oestreich, regarding the financing of the project. Julie was told that in order to pay for the building she would need to set up two funds, 1) 3101, to accept the levied funds for the “Payment of debt charges on notes for the construction of a Township Office and

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Maintenance Building” and that this fund could only be used to pay back the principal and interest on notes, and 2) 4101, to accept money from notes to pay the construction costs of the Township Office and Maintenance Building. However, Kent said that Mr. Oestreich indicated that money from the General Fund could also be used for direct payments to construction service providers. Julie will confirm and report back to the Trustees.

There being no further business coming before the board, Trustee Rahe adjourned the meeting until Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at 7:30 P.M.

  
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Chairman

  
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Fiscal Officer