

**NORTHFIELD CENTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEE
SPECIAL MEETING AT 6:00 PM**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2021

OPEN

Trustee Reville called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Russell F. Mazzola, Aye; Richard H. Reville, Aye; and Paul G. Buescher, Aye.

MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS

Motion to approve a \$1200 Purchase Order for services performed by Apex Land Surveying for the consolidation of township owned parcels that are for sale

Russell Mazzola moves; Paul Buescher second.

Roll Call: Paul G. Buescher, Aye; Russell F. Mazzola, Aye and Richard H. Reville, Aye.

Resolution 20/10-21-A A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2021 CERTIFICATE OF ESTIMATED RESOURCES AND FINAL APPROPRIATIONS

Paul Buescher moves; Russell Mazzola second.

The amendment to the Certificate of Estimated Resources reflects the first payment of the American Rescue Act monies received \$307,077.73. This should be the last time we amend the Certificate. For the appropriations, added were the .56 to Garbage and Waste Disposal Fund #8 and .76 to the Fire Levy Fund #20. This was needed to comply with the UAN conversion. (See attachment)

Trustee Mazzola asked when the deadline is to present plans for the American Rescue Act money. The administrator answered the deadline is the end of the year. It was originally set for October 31st. The plan must be approved by the Fed.

Trustee Reville said he will not be here the first week in November so the first meeting in November will be moved to the 8th of November. Mr. Reville said to plan November 15th for a work session to discuss American Rescue Act projects.

With no further discussion, Trustee Reville called for the roll.

Roll Call: Paul G. Buescher, Aye; Russell F. Mazzola, Aye and Richard H. Reville, Aye.

Resolution 21/10-21-B A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CRACK SEALING PROGRAM FOR 2021 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,350 PAYABLE TO ASPHALT FABRICS AND TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE ORDER ACCORDINGLY.

Russell Mazzola moves; Paul Buescher second.

Trustee Reville asked Frank Buehner if the bigger cracks were being done and the smaller next year? Frank answered yes, the bigger cracks now. "We will try to get some of this laid out with a good attack plan."

With no further discussion, Trustee Reville called for the roll.

Roll Call: Paul G. Buescher, Aye; Russell F. Mazzola, Aye and Richard H. Reville, Aye.

Resolution 21/10-21-C A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE ANNUAL RENEWAL FOR PROPERTY, GENERAL LIABILITY, LEGAL LIABILITY AND TRUSTEES WRONGFUL ACTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,303 AND TO ACCEPT THE 2021 CAPITAL DISTRIBUTION OF \$2,787.04 AND TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE ORDER ACCORDINGLY.

Paul Buescher moves; Richard Reville second.

Trustee Reville said the \$2,787.04 is the rebate we receive for participating in the insurance pool and the \$42,303 is the annual insurance premium for the insurance.

With no further discussion, Trustee Reville called for the roll.

Roll Call: Paul G. Buescher, Aye; Russell F. Mazzola, Aye and Richard H. Reville, Aye.

Resolution 21/10-21-D A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REPAIRS TO FIRE SQUAD 2231 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,893.38 PAYABLE TO VALLEY FORD TRUCK AND TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE ORDER ACCORDINGLY.

Russell Mazzola moves; Paul Buescher second.

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Trustee Reville said that Frank Buehner sent all the information on it, the EGR cooler blew, and it leaked out. It will be replaced.

Trustee Mazzola said that he and the administrator met with Chief Ripley on the new safety building interiors and learned that Macedonia is purchasing a new squad through the state bid program. The State of Ohio Fire Marshall's office awarded \$250,000 to Northfield Center for equipment. Chief Ripley sent the specs to review, which would take a year to get it. Trustee Mazzola said the thought is maybe to order one for Northfield Center Township at the same time.

Trustee Reville wanted clarification on the township's squads. Frank Buehner answered the township has just the two squads, 2008 and 2017. Frank said the 2008 has a faulty engine on it. \$17,500 was spent on a new engine in 2017. Trustee Mazzola said Sagamore Hills has two squads as well.

Trustee Mazzola asked the administrator to send the specs to the Safety Committee.

Trustee Buescher asked the price on the state specs. He was answered it is \$260,000 without a new cot system, it is \$310,000.

With no further discussion, Trustee Reville called for the roll.

Roll Call: Paul G. Buescher, Aye; Russell F. Mazzola, Aye and Richard H. Reville, Aye.

Resolution 21/10-21-E A RESOLUTION TO ACTIVATE SEASONAL PART-TIME EMPLOYEES BRIAN JAMES AND JUSTIN LEE AT THE RATE OF \$14 PER HOUR FOR THE LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM.

Paul Buescher moves; Richard Reville second.

Trustee Buescher asked what were they paid before. He was answered \$12.66 per hour.

With no further discussion, Trustee Reville called for the roll.

Roll Call: Paul G. Buescher, Aye; Russell F. Mazzola, Aye and Richard H. Reville, Aye.

Trustee Buescher wanted to bring to the attention of the administrator that he said Kimble is alleging our residents are liars. He cited two addresses on West Highland that were not picked up. When the residents called Kimble, they were told they were not out on time. Trustee Buescher said he saw the carts out on time. He asked the administrator to call and tell them to pick up the trash. The administrator said she would call. Trustee Reville said his wasn't picked up until Monday.

DISCUSSION FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Leaf Collection Program – Trustee Reville recapped the last meeting, stating that the service department would start four 10-hour days and try it for two weeks and I assume the crew was agreeable to 10-hour days. Frank answered, yes. Trustee Reville asked if he asked Neid's for a CDL driver. Frank answered that he did, but it was a negative. Frank said he called Flex Team, but they do not have any CDL drivers period. Trustee Reville said for right now we can survive with 10-hour days with two extra people.

Trustee Mazzola said you don't have to go to school to get a CDL and stated, we have our own equipment. So, we can get a temporary permit and practice on our equipment, right?

Frank Buehner answered there is the old program and the new one. The state of Ohio has delayed the new program, which requires the 40-hour class per month. Trustee Mazzola said he did not see anything about a 40-hour school. Frank said with the old program, we can train them on our equipment and take the test with our truck.

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Trustee Mazzola said there are certain times you don't need a CDL because we are non-commerce. Trustee Buescher said to get an opinion from the prosecutor. It depends on weights. Discussion followed and all discussion is on tape and on file.

Trustee Reville said, so you are going to start Monday morning, is that your goal? Frank Buehner answered yes, Monday thru Thursday; everything is ready to go.

Trustee Buescher asked what the advertised end date was. Trustee Reville answered December 6th. They must be out by December 6.

Frank Buehner added for clarification that the leaf vac models are SC-25 Mule, they are 25-yards. Rick Patz asked to speak. He said, that means we take 25 yards to the dump, right. Frank answered yes. Trustee Reville said we will try it and it is going to be light for now.

The administrator asked if the trustees ever considered putting a sunset on the leaf program. It will continue to be costly. Discussion followed on costs over the years.

Trustee Mazzola asked what the service department would be doing if they did not have the leaf program. Frank said they would be ditching, road repairs and working on the equipment. All discussion is on tape and on file.

Trustee Buescher said the condo associations do not get the leaf pickup, but they still pay for it, then they must pay a private contractor to take their leaves. You have areas like Rolling Brooke where there are very few trees, but up here there is nothing, but trees.

All discussion is on tape and on file. Trustee Reville asked a couple in the audience if they had any questions. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Poussart from Independence, Ohio wanted to talk with Trustee Reville about the fire station sale.

THE CHAIR REQUESTS A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

Paul Buescher moves; Russell Mazzola second.

Roll Call: Russell F. Mazzola, Aye and Richard H. Reville, Aye.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Richard H. Reville, Chair

Andy LaGuardia, Fiscal Officer

