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TRUSTEE SPECIAL MEETING – Kimble Update

August 9, 2022 - 6:00 P.M.

The public was notified of this Regular Meeting by an e-mail Sunshine Law Notice to the Meeting Notification List, information placed on the Township’s website, and the electronic sign.

THE CHAIR CALLS THE SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Russell F. Mazzola aye; Richard H. Reville aye; Richard A. Patz aye.

Joe Sciarretti from Kimble addressed the meeting. Kimble is aware of issues that are occurring. They had COVID to deal with and also lost a Congressional seat. All employers in all industries feel the strain. Kimble has attended career fairs, on-going hiring bonuses and employee referral bonuses. Drivers are paid well and have Medical Mutual insurance. Mr. Sciarretti came to listen, but he will be glad to answer questions.

Trustee Reville said a 14-hour day is government regulated, not by Kimble.

Trustee Patz asked if the new director of operations will have a different philosophy.

Mr. Sciarretti said his name is Frank LaRia, and he’s very demanding but fair. He doesn’t like excuses.

Trustee Patz said many residents have had many weeks without pickup; how will Kimble make this right?

Mr. Sciarretti said that would be taken into consideration on a case-by-case situation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chet Bertel, 319 W. Highland-why can’t Kimble notify in advance that trash won’t be picked up?

Trustee Reville said that was discussed with Kimble previously.

Jim Honsberger thanked Mr. Sciarretti for attending. NCT's website has a ticker across the top and news and notices, which distributes info to residents signed up for notifications. He encouraged the residents in attendance to sign up for notifications. He'd be glad to update the website if Kimble can notify NCT of any delays.

Mr. Sciarretti said they do use robo calls and emails, but they know that always can't be done; there are 30 trucks on order from several months ago, man still on back order.

Mr. Honsberger said he's just asking for NCT to be notified so we can keep residents updated.

Ed Boeing, Olde Eight Rd.-asked if info can be put on the electronic sign.

Mr. Honsberger said it depends on the level of detail of information.

John Tedrazek, Olde Eight Rd.-asked if there were part-time employees?

Mr. Sciarretti said no, you have to be 21 to drive a truck, and they can't hire 18-year-olds.

Bob Stuart, Brandywine Rd.-said his trash and recycling is missed often. The recycling gets thrown in the garbage truck many times.

Mr. Sciarretti said recycle and garbage in the same truck should never happen. Kimble makes more money from recycling. Kimble was one of the first in Ohio to have compressed natural gas trucks, better for the environment. They also have a state-of-the-art facility in Twinsburg Township which is where the recyclables go.

Robert Yuzwa, 7488 Foghorn Lane said Sagamore Hills doesn't have a problem with Rumpke. When will the Trustees act and put the contract out for rebid for non-performance; Kimble was the lowest cost.

Mr. Sciarretti said Rumpke had the same thing happen in Columbus.

Rick Martin (?) 276 Pickwick Dr.-other areas that Kimble services don't have issues with pick-ups. Trucks also drop trash from truck into the street.

Brook Youel, 7693 Charlton Circle-she puts multiple cans out, no problem with pick-ups. Driver is great.

Joe Grzlak, Crestwood Lane-He's been lucky with his trash pick-up. He knows guys that are looking for part time work as a commercial driver. Kimble just needs to put the word out.

Ellen Bertel, 319 W. Highland-She has seen recycling being dumped into the garbage truck 3 times this year. Also, she's been trying to get her senior citizen discount.

Mary Lou Hafner, 201 Beechwood-asked when is the contract up and when will it be put out for bid.

Mr. Sciarretti said November 30, 2025.

Mr. Patz said this issue should be revisited in October or November.

Brooke Youel, 7693 Charlton Circle-said residents don't put their bins out property, Kimble is great.

THE CHAIR REQUESTS A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT.

Trustee Reville moves; Trustee Patz seconds.

Roll Call: Russell F. Mazzola, aye Richard H. Reville, aye Richard A. Patz, aye.

The meeting adjourned at 6:56 P.M.