

The Board of Liberty Township Trustees met in a Caucus/Regular Session on April 26, 2018 at 7:30 a.m. regular meeting at the township Administration Building with the following members present, Mr. Gregory Cizmar and Mr. Arnold Clebone, presiding. Mrs. Jodi K. Stoyak was absent. Also in attendance were Administrator Patrick Ungaro and Tim Monroe from the Road Department.

Last weeks Caucus meeting minutes were used as basis for beginning discussion. It was noted that since Geno had to take leave a number of requests made of him will be passed on to Tim Monroe.

As requested of Gino, at last Thursday's meeting, Clebone and Cizmar asked that Tim Monroe provide a rough estimate to clean (sweep) streets and estimated costs associated with complying with EPA requirements for disposing of debris. Tim indicated that he spoke with Howland Road Superintendent who said Howland stores sweepings in hopes of re-using the screened road residual waste. Tim suggested (if screened) perhaps than could be use on road brims. Trustees directed Tim to contact EPA to clarify regulations on debris from sweeping.

Trustees also requested that Monroe, (as also requested of Gino) to evaluate the choice of ten streets chosen by Trustee Stoyak and make his recommendations. Clebone requested that at least one street with curbs be included in the recommendation to enable evaluation of result of chip and seal with curbs. Trustee Clebone suggested Monroe consider the Chip and Seal of Virginia Trail as it is a continuation of Academy (that will be paved this summer). Monroe reminded Board Chip and Seal is not paving and by no means a permanent fix – 5 years tops. Trustee Clebone said it was his understanding despite chip and seal not being long lasting it makes the road passable and serves as base for when paving can be completed. Other considerations Tim will use in evaluating which streets will be chip and sealed include number of home being served, traffic count and type, ingress and egress. Tim also said that he would discuss the matter with Tom Plat who heads the chip and seal operation for the Trumbull County Engineers. A list to be finalized and sent to the County Engineer is expected to be completed by next Thursday.

Trustee Cizmar discussed the potential and possibility of using a Drag Box vs. a paver for spot repair of sections of roadway. He noted that a paver purchased 1985 not in working order and that parts may not be available for repair; Cizmar said he would take the lead for evaluating the potential to fix the paver. A drag box said Trustee Cizmar would be a fraction of the cost of a new paver and adequate in most circumstances for putting down selected sections of pavement superior to hand packing. Tim said he would look into the potential for purchasing paver or drag box through State Cooperative Purchasing Program. Trustees hope to arrive at a decision of if to fix paver now owned by Township, purchase new paver or drag box by next meeting based on budget.

Trustees would like to finalize above issues within the next two weeks. Board directed Tim to look into all matters discussed.

Discussion ensued on the use of Cold Mix now that weather is cooperating vs. using available hot mix. Monroe indicated that cold mix will last longer in the warmer weather and can be used as overlay prior to chip and seal.

Pat Ungaro reminded that need to plan for levy with approaching of ninety days needed prior to November 8<sup>th</sup>.

Pat was reminded to check with Trustee Stoyak to make her aware about and acquire her opinion of upgrading of part time employee(s) with commercial drivers license to next level pay to enable them to drive vehicles.

Sale of Surplus Equipment: Trustees directed Pat Ungaro to sell the ambulance previously agreed to that is not being used by the road department. Cizmar noted it was donated to the Road Department by the Fire Department for compensation for preparing the Fire Department's parking lot; he suggested proceeds from the sale could be used to pay for the Drag Box. Cizmar said sale could be made by placing on EBAY (Gov.com) and placing a minimum price to insure securing a reasonable price.

Other matters:

Need to pursue potential developer for vacant parcels offered to the township, purchase of several adjacent parcel and abandoned Apartment House on land continuous property front on Colonial near Hadley. Trustee Clebone said he would discuss the potential of developer utilizing affordable housing program to make feasible the construction of new housing.

Also Clebone discussed the need to promote development of 30 acres on Logan Way between Colonial and Mansell, owned by the Catholic Diesis. He opined that perhaps with a tax abatement made possible through extending current CRA it would make feasible a villa/condo development. He said that Nicholas Coggins, Trumbull County Planning Economic Development Director was seeking an opinion on extending the zone. Clebone noted that having a historic structure within zone was basis for including property in zone.

Concerning Country Club Drive previous offer to pay for road improvement Pat Ungaro said after considering it the homeowners backed out. Now again owners have approached the township and Attorney Poteet will engage in discussion with the parties to consider willingness and feasibility of private owners paying for road paving.

Trustee Clebone said he would pursue the prospect of improving Kline's Drive through the developer guaranteeing bond to fund improvement with the prospect of repayment coming through taxes realized through new building he was planning. He suggested that the possibility may also exist for other development such as Arabian Trails and St. Andrews. One of the Kline's farm residents said he would convene a meeting with developer to discuss prospect.

Administrative Asst. Martha Weireck reminded Board we have property next to Center Park that could be cleaned up and utilized as a park (old Kiss property next to the Youth Safe House). Perhaps apply for a park grant and make the parcel tax exempt.

Recessed at 8:40 a.m.  
Returned 9:19 a.m.

Motion made by Mr. Cizmar to adjourn into executive session at 9:20 a.m. to consider the appointment or promotion of a public employee. Seconded by Mr. Clebone. Motion carried.

At 10:19 a.m. Trustee Stoyak joined the executive session.

Motion made by Mr. Cizmar to adjourn from executive session at 10:28 a.m. and adjourn meeting. Seconded by Mr. Clebone. Roll Call all in favor.

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STEVE T. SHELTON,  
FISCAL OFFICER

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ARNOLD CLEBONE, TRUSTEE

