

A meeting was convened at the Liberty Township hearing room on April 5, 2018 starting at 7:30 AM. Present at the meeting were Chairman Trustee Arnie Clebone and Trustee Greg Cizmar. Trustee Jodi Stoyak was absent.

Captain Cathy Macchione speaking for Chief Birch urged the Trustees approve a \$6,100 purchase order that would enable the department to enter into contract with Lexipol to utilize their services to update the Departments Standard Operating Guidelines.

There was a question as to whether the approval needed a board resolution or just the signature of two trustees to approve the purchase order.

Trustee Clebone described the potential for a developer acquiring land on the north side of Colonial between Hadley and Green Acres for the development of housing that may be able to use funding from the Federal Home Loan Bank to assist in the cost. The subsidy from the Federal Home Loan Bank had the potential enabling for making new housing feasible and affordable for purchase. Property consist of vacant land owned by an LLC who has offered to convey the parcels for no costs, abandoned apartment house in the process of being foreclosed and a portion owned by a private party. Clebone thought that Trustees may want to promote the possibility to developers. Completion of the project would mean elimination of blighted building and new building that would generate tax revenue.

It was recognized that the police chief was retiring in August and acceptance of resignation would be proposed at the April 16 meeting. Discussion on procedure for finding his replacement will be on the next Thursday caucus meeting.

Discussion ensued on how to approach repair of roads, Clebone felt that consideration should be given to increasing the number of roads proposed to be treated with Chip and Sealed by the Trumbull County Engineers. With the cost difference being estimated for chip and seal (including repair of pot holes) being \$30,000 per mile vs. \$200,000 per mile it is quite apparent the more roads using chip and seal, the more total roads that can be treated. He noted that a rough estimate based on the Engineers square foot cost for all roads rated 69 and below for Chip and seal and Paving would cost over 4,000,000; while if all roads were chip and sealed the cost would be just over \$1,000,000. Clebone wanted to make sure it was understands chip and seal for all roads would not be possible because of conditions of the base but thought more roads should be considered in order to increase the number of roads that could be completed.

Jeff Smith PE representing CT Consultants was present at the meeting to discuss the potential for engaging their services in planning and programming fixing and maintaining the roads. A preliminary proposal from CT may be presented at our next caucus session on next Thursday.

Meeting recessed at 8:30 and then reconvened at about 8:40. Linda Becker who resides at 1630 Logan Way came to state she was in favor of the Tethering Law. She stated that revisions were made to the version tabled by trustees at their March meeting. Advised Ms. Becker that the resolution would be considered and perhaps presented at the April meeting for passage.

A discussion than was continued on managing and planning for the roads when CT Regional Manager, Chris, joined our discussion. He further explained what services CT might be able to offer the Township and said at are next Caucus scheduled for April 12 he would present an outline of services and costs. Chris and Jeff both emphasized and praised the work of the county engineer and said any service they would propose will supplement and be in coordination with what they have completed and would continue to provide.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:40 AM.

STEVE SHELTON, FISCAL OFFICER

ARNOLD CLEBONE, CHAIRPERSON