

The Board of Liberty Township Trustees met in Regular Meeting by teleconference on July 23, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. with the following members present, Mr. Devon Stanley, Mr. Arnold Clebone and Mr. Gregory Cizmar, presiding.

** As a result of the coronavirus pandemic, we are conducting the special meeting via teleconference.

In accordance with the instructions issued by Governor DeWine, to limit the risk of community transmission of the virus COVID-19, all members of the public are invited to present their questions or concerns to the Township in writing, by email, or by telephone at any time.

Motion to approve the minutes of July 16, 2020 Regular meeting.

Motion: Mr. Cizmar. Second. Mr. Clebone.

Roll Call: Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes.es. Motion carried.

20-105 Motion to authorize EAG to begin work described:

Economic Action Group, Inc. proposes to provide services to Liberty Township to conduct ‘Outreach and Engagement’ services during the COVID-19 Crisis.

Business Directory

Can export a full list of all businesses listed in the city

Sort by:

Sector

Zip code/Street/Area

Employees

Other:

Payroll Tax

Income Tax

Property Tax

Outreach & Engagement

Call on behalf of the township and conduct outreach

Target certain businesses based on discussion with Township Trustees

Share information with businesses regarding assistance available through SBA, Valley Partners (MVEDC), Trumbull County and other agencies specifically available in response to the Coronavirus.

Report back to Township answers to the following:

Viewed as advantages of being in Liberty: Location, Police and Fire, accessibility to customers or suppliers, residential neighborhood

What improvements would they advocate for Belmont Avenue-aesthetics, traffic control, street signs.

Single most important improvement that can be made to enhance business

Identify businesses that show interest in participating in a Belmont Avenue Improvement Association

SBA Application Assistance

Provide guidance filling out applications

Connection with MVEDC, SBDC, and lending institutions who are still offering

Reporting

Report back results of all calls/outreach and assistance with businesses to Liberty Township Board of Trustees

Data will assist in changing current engagement/outreach priorities

Suggest plan of action to follow up with assisting businesses and to improve business corridor based on interviews.

Economic Action Group, Inc. proposes a project fee of \$5,000

About EAG

The Economic Action Group (EAG) operates in Trumbull and Mahoning Counties. The programming focus of EAG includes Economic Development and Entrepreneur Assistance. For more information visit www.eagworks.org

Motion: Mr. Clebone. Second. Mr. Cizmar.

Roll Call: Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Motion carried.

20-106 Motion to donate 15 old Marcs radios, previously donated to the fire department until new radios received from a grant are working, to any department in need.

Motion: Mr. Cizmar. Second. Mr. Clebone.

Roll Call: Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes.es. Motion carried.

Discuss: Chief Birch announced receiving a \$3,000 medical supplies grant from the EMS Ohio Department Public Safety. Also, the Chief requested the Board consider donating the old Marcs Radios, previously donated to our fire department until we received our Marcs Radios were received, to another fire department. Chief will keep 5 radios as back up and donate the other 15 radios. The Board authorized the donation (see above resolution 20-106).

Chief Meloro informed the Board the Marcs mobiles are being installed in the cruisers. Also, the Chief discussed excessive speeding on Keefer Road. He placed the speed meter on Keefer and will continue to position officers whenever possible.

Administrator Weirick stated we received the costs involved for an additional light on a township road. Trustees will review the lighting assessment funds and decide soon. The other option would be a lighting district paid for by the residents on the street.

Motion to go into executive session for the purpose of the discipline of an employee and contract negotiations at 8:48 a.m.

Motion to adjourn from executive session at 10:03 a.m. and end session. No decisions were made.

Motion: Mr. Clebone. Second: Mr. Stanley.

Roll Call: Mr. Clebone, Yes. Mr. Stanley, Yes. Mr. Cizmar, Yes. Motion carried.

Next meeting Thursday, July 30, 2020 @ 8:30 a.m. via zoom teleconference.

STEVE SHELTON, FISCAL OFFICER

GREG CIZMAR, CHAIRPERSON