

The Board of Trustees of Sugarcreek Township, Greene County, Ohio, met in Work Session on October 20, 2014, at 5:30 p.m., at 2090 Ferry Road, Sugarcreek Township, Ohio 45305.

1. Mr. Bryant called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.
2. Mr. Hodson called the roll with Board Members Nadine Daugherty, Mike Pittman and Scott Bryant being present. In addition to Mr. Tiffany, Township Administrator, others present were Chief Pavlak, Chief Brown, Chris Zappanti, Kenny Collier, Josh Johnson and Joann Zimmerman.

Discussion Items:

Computer Room – Mr. Tiffany said the air conditioner in the Computer Room quit and we lost the server and some other equipment. He said Chris is putting together what we need. Mr. Tiffany said the A.C. replacement is \$5,200.00 and is a two ton unit. He said the old air conditioner is eight years old but to keep in mind it runs constantly to maintain the proper operating temperature. He also said the other quote was for \$5,900.00.

The Board had no objection to the purchase.

EMS Software – Chris Zappanti gave the Board copies of his review of the new proposed EMS software. Chris said that since New World is not up and running yet, this software will work and that New World could be evaluated later. Mrs. Daugherty asked Josh Johnson what he thought of it. Josh said he has worked with it for a while and it works well. Chris said he recommends we use it and suggested we strip out the scheduler portion. Mrs. Daugherty asked if this would reduce the cost. Chris said that it would a little. Mrs. Daugherty asked Joann if she liked it. Joann said she did. Mr. Tiffany asked about the cost. Chris said the 9/17/14 proposal shows a one year fee of \$7,120 and \$3120 per year thereafter based on 1000 EMS runs per year. Chief Pavlak said we make about 1500 runs per year which would be \$4,500 per year. Mr. Bryant asked about the licensing agreement. Chris said it ran for one year but could be canceled after either 90 or 180 days. Mr. Pittman asked about training. Mr. Tiffany said \$750 for three people. Josh Johnson said he was 100% confident he could train others. Mr. Bryant said he would like to minimize the training expenses but not zero it. Mr. Tiffany said he was not comfortable with the contract. Chief Pavlak suggested we move forward and have Mr. Tiffany straighten out the contract. On that basis, the Board agreed to approve it.

CLOUT – Mr. Tiffany said several lame duck issues were addressed at the meeting. He said all that we were worried about looked positive for townships. He said the legislation giving townships ownership rights looks good for us. Mr. Pittman asked if this will be voted on in November. Mr. Tiffany said it would. Mr. Tiffany also said that it looked like Government Officials will possibly get a pay raise next year. He said CLOUT is setting up an Economic Development study task force of twelve people and he was asked to be on it. Mr. Bryant asked about the casino funds. Mr. Tiffany said the O.T.A. is not standing up for it.

Miscellaneous - Mr. Tiffany reminded the Department Heads about their employee position descriptions. He also said the employee policy manual is on track. Mr. Tiffany said he received information on a class action lawsuit regarding the Bureau of Workers Compensation (BWC). He said in 2005 we were spending a very large amount for worker's compensation and evidently there were some improprieties which resulted in a lawsuit and the Board agreed for him to look into it. He also said they were bringing their billing more current and we may get two bills in 2015. Mr. Bryant asked if we had heard from Centerville yet. Chief Pavlak said he was told to hold on since they are reviewing two agreements. One is for the school and one is for the township. Mr. Bryant said that hopefully they will provide an agreement before we decide whether or not we use mutual aid to provide emergency service for the Costco store.

Clyo Road Funding – Mr. Tiffany provided a review of the Clyo Road project bids and the increase costs to resume construction. He said he has discussed it with Mr. Geyer and the things that could be eliminated. He said Mr. Geyer agreed to pay for the bridge, which will cost a minimum of \$130,000. Mr. Tiffany said he could have it rebid since he thinks the bidding came in high, but still thinks it might cost an additional \$400,000 to \$500,000 dollars. He said we have been offered an interest free loan for 30 years to pay for the additional costs. He said Mr. Geyer thinks if we turn down the Ohio Public Works money they have kept open for us during the delays in the project, they will probably not want to fund us again. Mr. Tiffany said we still have about \$1,500,000 left that they are giving us. He said it's hard to turn away that kind of free money. Mr. Bryant said he doesn't want to spend another half million dollars on Clyo Road. He said he thinks the road we have now is sufficient. Mr. Tiffany said he doesn't think a developer will pay for the project later and will expect the township to do so. He said if we do it later on a TIF we will probably be looking at \$3,000,000 and it will come from all township funds. He said the interest free loan would cost us about \$16,000 per year. Mr. Pittman said this is a situation we can't win. He asked why the bids were over so much. He asked if it was length of time and materials. Mr. Tiffany said it was. Mr. Tiffany said the OPWC meets November 13th to review funding. Mrs. Daugherty asked if this would help business to come. Mr. Tiffany said, with the exception of the northeast, everybody is seeing an up-tick. Mr. Pittman said we've always talked about the need to get this done. Mr. Tiffany said we made a commitment to the property owners. Mr. Tiffany said we will never do it any cheaper. Mr. Bryant said he didn't think enlarging the road would have any impact. Mr. Tiffany said a two lane road does not have the commercial appeal of a 5 lane curbed road. Mr. Pittman said we did commit to this. He asked Chief Pavlak what he thought. Chief Pavlak said he didn't think we would have another chance for the 1.5 million we currently have.

Mr. Bryant moved to adjourn to Executive Session. Mr. Pittman seconded. Roll was called with the vote being as follows:

Mrs. Daugherty – Yes
Mr. Pittman – Yes
Mrs. Daugherty - Yes

The meeting adjourned at 6:47 pm.

Theodore L. Hodson, Fiscal Officer