Special Beavercreek Trustee's Meeting

Tuesday, February 26, 2013

Interim Vice-Chair Ms. Graff called the Special Trustee Meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. Those present were Trustees: Carol Graff, Dan Paxson, and Candy Prystaloski. Fiscal Officer, Christy Ahrens was also present. Staff present: Township Administrator Alex Zaharieff, Assistant to the Fiscal Officer James Barone, Fire Chief David VandenBos and Road Superintendent Tim Parks. Scott Phillips and Javan Kline from Frost, Brown, and Todd LLC were also present.

The purpose of this Special Meeting is to meet in open session to hire and administer the oath to a new full-time firefighter, to discuss a donation of funds to a non-profit organization and also to discuss Tax Increment Financing.

Fire Chief David VandenBos welcomed everyone and gave a brief introduction before recommending that the Board of Trustees more forward and hire Alex Ferguson.

2013-052 Mr. Paxson made a motion to approve the hiring of Alexander T. Ferguson as a Full Time Firefighter/Paramedic in the Beavercreek Township Fire Department effective February 28, 2013 at a starting hourly rate of $17.97. . Mrs. Prystaloski seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Paxson, yes; Mrs. Prystaloski, yes; and Ms. Graff, yes.

Chief VandenBos read a brief bio of Alex Ferguson and spoke about the new position to which he was now promoted. The Fiscal Officer provided the Oath of Office. The ceremony was followed by a brief reception in Station 61 for family and friends.

The Trustee meeting continued with Mr. Scott of Frost, Brown and Todd who updated the Trustees and gave background information to new Trustee Prystaloski regarding what happened and how the Beavercreek Trails were created. He stated that the Beavercreek Trails main purpose was to provide a place for biking and hiking for recreational purposes. General discussion occurred regarding: insurance, tax bills, Board of Director's meeting; and assessment of property.

Discussion continued regarding the Beavercreek Trails while the Trustees looked at the map of the Trails and parcels of property surrounding it. General discussion occurred.

It is the intention of the Board of Trustees to move forward with identifying parcels of land to the north and around the Township Administration building to continue with the Beavercreek Trails.

Discussion occurred regarding: flood plain property and annexation; what a TIF is and how it can be attractive to businesses. Mr. Kline updated the Trustees on what happened in the past and what we need to move forward.

Discussion occurred regarding: if a TIF fails and who is responsible for the bonds. Discussion on water, sewer, and infrastructure occurred in regards to a TIF.

Discussion occurred regarding the original TIF and what happened to it – issues with the form, parcels, etc. and then that two Trustees voted to table moving forward with the TIF's. When asked if these TIF's could be revisited, the answer was yes. Discussion occurred regarding TIF districts and parcels. The Fiscal Officer questioned the finances, as the taxpayers paid for the work to be done originally and wants the revisiting process to not be too costly. The statement was directed at the attorney's in regards to their fees.

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The Trustees are interested in revisiting the TIF issue. The Township Administrator will gather pertinent information for the attorney's so that they can advise the Trustees on what they can do and how much it will cost the township.

The Trustees asked the Township Administrator to gather any information necessary to explore possible scenarios in the future.

2013-053 Mrs. Prystaloski made a motion to Adjourn at 3:42 P.M. Mr. Paxson seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Paxson, yes; Mrs. Prystaloski, yes; and Ms. Graff, yes.

Trustee: _____

Fiscal Officer: _____