

**Beavercreek Township Trustees' Regular Meeting****Monday, May 23,****2016**

Ms. Graff brought the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Trustees present: Carol Graff, Tom Kretz, Jeff Roberts.

Staff present: Township Administrator/Public Safety Director Alex Zaharieff, Road Superintendent Tim Parks, Fire Chief David VandenBos, IT Manager Jeff Terry, Zoning Administrator/Inspector Ed Amhrein, and HR Manager Trish Gustafson.

Others present: Legal Counsel Dawn Frick.

The first order of business was the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Graff then called for additions, deletions, or modifications to the agenda.

Under the Executive Session, Ms. Frick added 121.22(G)(3) Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.

Under the Executive Session, Mr. Zaharieff removed 121.22(G)(4) Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.

**2016-229** Mr. Kretz moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

**2016-230** Mr. Roberts moved to approve the May 25, 2016 payroll in the amount of \$281,383.68. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kretz. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

**2016-231** Mr. Kretz moved to approve the bills in the amount of \$237,507.58. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Kretz had a question on the Purchase Order to Barracuda Networks for a male archiver instant replacement for \$1099. It is being taken out of Contracted Services and he wants to make sure that's correct. Mr. Terry clarified it is for a service agreement, not hardware.

**2016-232** Mr. Roberts moved to approve the minutes of **May 9, 2016**. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kretz. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

**2016-233** Mr. Kretz moved to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting held on **May 12, 2016**. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

**2016-234** Mr. Roberts moved to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting on **May 17, 2016**. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kretz. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

**2016-235** Mr. Kretz moved to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting held on **May 19, 2016**. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

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Citizens Desiring to Speak – None.

Old Business – None.

New Business – None.

Administrator

Mr. Zaharieff informed the Trustees that there were two zoning appointments to be made, one for an Alternate position to the Board of Zoning Appeals and one for an Alternate position to the Zoning Commission. This still leaves vacancies of one Alternate position for each zoning board. Both applications were included in the Trustees' packets. The Administrator and the Zoning Administrator recommend appointing the applicants to the respective boards.

**2016-236** Mr. Roberts moved to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Ohio Revised Code §519.13 permits the Board of Township Trustees to create a Board of Zoning Appeals for Beavercreek Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Beavercreek Township Trustees having considered available applicants for said Board of Zoning Appeals, that the Trustees move to appoint John Thomas as Alternate to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Kretz. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, after due consideration of all the evidence presented, the Beavercreek Township Board of Trustees voted to appoint John Thomas as Alternate board member to the Beavercreek Township Board of Zoning Appeals, with said term expiring on **March 30, 2021** or until a suitable replacement is appointed.

**2016-237** Mr. Kretz moved to approve the resolution dated May 23, 2016:

**WHEREAS**, Ohio Revised Code §519.04 permits the Board of Township Trustees to create a Zoning Commission for Beavercreek Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Beavercreek Township Trustees having considered available applicants for said Zoning Commission recommend the appointment of David Briden as Alternate to the Zoning Commission with a term to expire March 31, 2020.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, after due consideration of all the evidence presented, the Beavercreek Township Board of Trustees voted to appoint David Briden as Alternate to the Zoning Commission, said term to expire on **March 31, 2020** or until a suitable replacement is appointed.

Sheriff's Office Bi-Weekly Report

The Board had no questions and the report was accepted. Mr. Kretz stated he had spoken with the Sheriff regarding the issues with heroin as well as coming back to the Board with a recommendation and proposal for what the Township can do to contribute to resolution of the problem.

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As previously discussed, the Township looked at moving to CompManagement as Third Party Administrator. They do have enough interest to offer the program to townships. Mr. Zaharieff stated he has received multiple phone calls over the past several weeks from other townships that are switching due to the savings. CareWorks Comp, formerly Frank Gates, is approaching those same townships and offering additional incentives if they return. If those townships reverse their decision, it could potentially mean that CompManagement would not have enough townships to offer the Third Party Administrator service. Mr. Zaharieff stated that CompManagement seems to be well above the numbers they need. The Township is a smaller player with regard to loss. To date, there have been no claims this year.

There is a motion in the packet authorizing the Township Administrator to switch to CompManagement at significant savings. However, if the proposed agreement with CompManagement falls through, or CareWorks comes back with a better offer, it allows the Township Administrator to move forward with that as well.

Mr. Kretz asked what would happen if CompManagement did not get enough townships in Ohio. Mr. Zaharieff stated they have a lot of private sector clients. It would only affect the public sector, the municipalities and townships.

There was some general discussion of comparisons between CareWorks and CompManagement, specifically the \$14,000 the Township will save by switching to CompManagement.

**2016-238** Mr. Kretz moved to approve CompManagement as the Third Party Administrator for the Township for the group rating enrollment period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017, in the amount of \$3,370.00. In the event the Township is not able to participate in the CompManagement program, the Board thereby approves CareWorks Comp as the Third Party Administrator for the same time period in the amount of \$17,389, and authorizes the Township Administrator to sign for the Board.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

HR Bi-Weekly Report

Ms. Graff asked for an update with regard to providing assistance to the Fiscal Office. Mr. Zaharieff stated there had been good communications with Ms. Ahrens as well as the contract and outsource positions.

Mr. Kretz asked if Mr. Zaharieff had heard anything with regard to the interviews. Mr. Zaharieff said he had not.

Mr. Kretz asked when he could expect to have his records request filled regarding copies of all the resumes. Mr. Zaharieff said he would check on that. Mr. Kretz commented that it should not take this long to produce, they are just copies. Ms. Graff said it looked like there were a number of record requests in addition to that one. Mr. Kretz clarified that he had said the request for the resumes could be done separately from the other requests.

Mr. Kretz asked if the HR Manager was participating in the interview process for the new positions. Mr. Zaharieff stated she had not participated in any interviews

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to the best of his knowledge. Mr. Kretz reiterated that the Board had asked that she be part of the process. He emphasized that the Township is at significant risk without a trained HR professional being part of the interviews. Ms. Graff and Mr. Roberts concurred with Mr. Kretz.

Zoning Bi-Weekly Report

The Board had no questions with regard to the report.

There was some discussion of the recent Xenia Township hearing notice regarding Kil-Kare's rezoning request. Mr. Zaharieff advised the Board that Kil-Kare would most likely look to do the same rezoning in Beavercreek Township to be in line with zoning in adjacent properties. This is Xenia Township's first experience with the PUD process.

Mr. Kretz asked for an update on the Bexley Hells emergency access issue. Mr. Roberts and Mr. Zaharieff met with the residents. They understand the situation but are not happy about it. A detailed explanation of the process was provided to the residents. Mr. Amrhein is meeting with the developer next week to lay out a timeline and review the work that needs to be done.

There was further discussion of the Xenia Township rezoning case. Ms. Graff noted the applicant is looking to do a straight rezoning to the B3 Highway District, which would allow any of the permitted uses for that district. She wondered how this would affect adjacent parcels in the Township and asked if Xenia Township's zoning resolution provided any protection for the Township's parcels. Mr. Zaharieff responded he did not know. It was noted that Mr. Amrhein was aware that the Zoning Commission denied the application and that the applicant is appealing to the Trustees to reverse the decision. He will be attending the June 2<sup>nd</sup> Xenia Township Trustees' meeting.

Information Technology Bi-Weekly Report

Mr. Roberts asked if passwords for former employees had been effectively deleted. Mr. Terry said that accounts are immediately disabled upon separation from employment. There is no access to the domain.

Mr. Roberts asked for verification that Mr. Terry was the only person with access to old logins or accounts. Mr. Terry assured Mr. Roberts that only authorized personnel can get into the domain through VM. Mr. Zaharieff clarified that both he and Ms. Ahrens have access to the former Finance Department accounts. Additionally, all emails are being forwarded to Mr. Zaharieff, Ms. Ahrens and the temp.

Road Department Purchase Request for Radiators

Mr. Parks stated this has been in the process for approximately two and a half years. One radiator has been replaced, but there are two that are currently in failure mode. They have already been repaired once and cannot be repaired a second time.

Ms. Graff asked which engines these were for. Mr. Parks verified it was for Engines 61 & 63. Engine 62 has already been replaced. He also verified that this is the certified manufacturer of these parts and not just the lowest bid.

**2016-239** Mr. Roberts moved to approve Purchase Request 00371 to All American Fire Equipment for two (2) replacement Spartan radiators in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 and to authorize the Township Administrator to sign for the

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Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kretz. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

Road Department Bi-Weekly Report

Mr. Zaharieff pointed out that Mr. Parks included the Rotary Park playground equipment on p. 32. It is falling apart and in need of replacement. Mr. Zaharieff noted this is the equipment that is closer to the ball fields. Mr. Parks verified that the equipment was over 20 years old. He emphasized this is something he has put a budget number in for the last two years during the appropriations process, but it hasn't been funded. The hope had been to get funding through the Nature Works process, but by the time this equipment had been identified as needing replaced, the deadline had passed. This year they had no idea as to what the funding would be, so they agreed to carry that money forward to next year. Mr. Parks feels that there is a good chance of getting some funding toward this project for next year.

There was a brief discussion of whether it's better to buy parts now, or wait and buy all new equipment. Ms. Graff asked Mr. Parks for his recommendation. Mr. Parks recommended buying parts now to forego having to take the equipment out of service and then replace the equipment when funding comes through in 2018.

Mr. Roberts asked if someone could get hurt on the equipment in its current condition. Mr. Parks stated they filed down and duct taped some of the walkways, but it's a marginal fix.

Mr. Zaharieff emphasized its proximity to the pavilion means it gets extremely heavy use during birthday parties and other scheduled events.

Mr. Kretz asked if the manner by which the Township handles this would or would not change as a result of the new parks management agreement. It was noted that the burden of repair and replacement would still fall on the Township because it is over the \$5,000 threshold at \$5,521.33.

Mr. Roberts asked if this would get the Township through to 2018 and if it was a budgeted item. Mr. Parks clarified this is not a budgeted item and stated the goal is to get through until funding becomes available in 2018. Mr. Parks said he is proposing to borrow funds from the Park Improvement account that was originally designated for the demolition of the house on Dayton-Xenia Rd. The Fire Department is still using the house for training and the demolition is not going to happen this year. If this is agreeable to the Trustees, Mr. Parks will bring a Purchase Request to the next meeting.

Mr. Kretz asked how it would be handled if the amount were under \$5,000. Mr. Zaharieff stated the City's stance would be that this is a capital item rather than a maintenance issue. Mr. Parks stated he believes the City is taking this view because they have identified it the past two years as a capital item needing to be replaced.

Mr. Kretz asked if it would be handled the same if it were under \$5,000, or would the cost be split between the two entities. Mr. Zaharieff responded it would still be handled the same because it is considered a capital item. The Township is responsible for 100% of capital items.

Mr. Kretz asked how this differs from maintenance. Mr. Zaharieff said he had asked that question as well. The City identifies it as a capital item with regard to the agreement.

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Mr. Kretz questioned how this is not considered a maintenance or repair issue. Mr. Parks explained that these are not nuts and bolts that need to be replaced, these are big sections of equipment. Mr. Kretz stated you can't describe the work that needs to be done without using the words 'maintenance' or 'repair.' How is that not a repair? Mr. Kretz emphasized he is not disputing that the work needs to be done, but it should be equitable. If the Township were to negotiate a 10% price reduction that would bring it under the \$5,000 threshold. Why wouldn't the cost then be split between both parties?

Ms. Graff noted that, regardless of the cost, it amounts to repairing a capital piece of equipment.

Mr. Parks stated that the City is supplying the labor. Ms. Graff clarified that they would apply that to the contract and the Township will be paying for half the labor.

Mr. Kretz pointed out the labor to install the parts falls under repairs and maintenance, but the parts being installed do not. It does not sound fair. Mr. Parks said that point has been reviewed numerous times.

Ms. Graff questioned that, if this had been identified as needing to be replaced over the past two years, why weren't the Township and City jointly applying for the grant prior to this.

Mr. Parks clarified it was first identified at the end of 2014 and the application period for the Nature Works grant had already passed. It was noted that when the Township applies for the grant next time around it will be a joint application with the City with this specific project in mind.

Mr. Kretz stated he understands the need for keeping playground equipment in good repair and ensuring there are no liability issues, but he has a problem with claiming that \$5,500 in parts are capital when labor is not capital. He suggested possibly negotiating a cost reduction with the provider to bring it under the \$5,000 threshold. Mr. Roberts agreed but emphasized the repairs need to be done as soon as possible and now is not the time for negotiation.

Ms. Graff said the Trustees would relay their sentiments on this issue to the City Manager through the Township Administrator.

Mr. Kretz elaborated that he wants to get it done now, but he would like to see them (the City) participate on the labor and have equal participation on the parts.

Ms. Graff asked if capital was designated by dollars or by length of time. Mr. Kretz stated that would depend on how it's defined in the contract; this contract states a dollar amount of \$5,000. Mr. Zaharieff said that he and Mr. Parks have had this discussion and looked at it from both sides. From Mr. Zaharieff's perspective 'capital' is a one-time purchase over this amount with the long-term maintenance possibly exceeding \$5,000, depending on the piece of equipment.

Mr. Kretz stated the bottom line is if Mr. Parks came back with a Purchase Request accompanied by the same information that Fire provides, it would identify the recurring and non-recurring costs, such as maintenance or repair. Mr. Kretz noted that there are things in the current contract that will have to be worked with but which can be learned from for the next contract. He stressed the importance of challenging others' definition of 'maintenance'.

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Ms. Graff asked for confirmation that total replacement cost would be \$31,000. Mr. Parks said that was the original budget number he had been given, however, it might be possible to get it under that number.

Mr. Kretz asked if the Township had any utilization numbers with regard to how many people are using the park. Mr. Zaharieff stated he was only aware of attendance being tracked with regard to various programs, but noted that did not include all programs. Mr. Kretz commented that it would be beneficial to have that information for future budgeting purposes. There was some discussion of contacting MVRPC to borrow tracking equipment as well as the recent joint park district study that was done. The Trustees would also like this as a discussion topic at the next joint Trustee/City Council meeting.

Fire DepartmentApproval of Department Work Rules: Fire Department Service Retirement

Mr. Zaharieff stated this follows the same guidelines put forth by the Board for Lt. Mallonee.

Chief VandenBos noted that, while this is something the Fire Department needs to address right now, it might be something the Board would like to initiate as a Township-wide policy.

Mr. Zaharieff reviewed the four (4) test points for the Board:

- Length of career
- Rolls in the career
- Service record
- Financial impact/leave scheduling

There was some discussion of the importance of maintaining Township operations and budget impact. With the Fire Department that required authorizing increased staffing to allow for a promotion and the hiring of a new firefighter. As far as implementing this Township-wide, the Board would have to evaluate if this process could be done in other departments.

Mr. Kretz asked Ms. Frick, from a legal standpoint, if there was any reason this could not be done in other departments. Ms. Frick responded there was not and noted it makes sense to be consistent across the board.

Chief VandenBos pointed out the Fire Department is in a unique position in that they have more retirements because of the number of employees.

There was some discussion as to adopting this now for the Fire Department and then creating a Township-wide policy for the Employee Manual.

Chief VandenBos stated that, aside from the previously mentioned criteria, there are two (2) key points to consider:

1. This is for a service retirement, essentially someone who is 'end of career,' which can have several different definitions from a police and fire standpoint. That is where the length of service criteria would come in to play.
2. This is an employee request, so it is not something that the Board would be imposing. It is strictly up to the employee to decide.

**2016-240** Mr. Kretz moved to approve Fire Department Work Rules Standard Operating Guideline 5112.003, Service Retirement, and to authorize the

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Township Administrator to develop a similar policy to be integrated into the Township-wide policy manual. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

Purchase Request for Physio Control for Lucas Devices

It was noted that there were a lot of positive comments from the public at the EMS Open House with regard to demonstrations of the devices.

Chief VandenBos pointed out that this would not result in any expenditures this year. This is just to set up the agreement and lock in the pricing. The expenditures will be from 2017-2021, after the one-year warranty has expired. It was noted that the funds only need to be encumbered once and then will carry over for the subsequent years.

**2016-241** Mr. Roberts moved to approve Purchase Request 08080 to Physio Control for a four-year service agreement for the Lucas Devices in the amount of \$21,080 to begin at the expiration of the one-year warranty period in approximately March/April of 2017 and to run through approximately March/April of 2021, and to authorize the Township Administrator to sign for the Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kretz. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

Proclamation Recognizing Service and Accomplishments

The proclamation is for retiring Lt. Dave Mallonee and will be presented to him on June 1, 2016.

**2016-242** Mr. Kretz made a motion to approve the following proclamation:

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant David M. Mallonee began volunteering with the Beavercreek Township Fire Department at Station 4 on December 1, 1979 to serve the citizens of Beavercreek Township and the City of Beavercreek, and

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Mallonee completed the Emergency Victim Care Class in 1980 and was hired shortly after as a part-time Beavercreek Township Firefighter, and

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Mallonee was hired as a career firefighter on November 16, 1987 with the Beavercreek Township Fire Department, and

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Mallonee has worked in all four fire stations, both old and new, and served for seven different fire chiefs, and

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Mallonee was promoted to Lieutenant in March 1995, by Fire Chief Paul Hemmeter, and

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Mallonee was instrumental in the development of the scene accountability system used by the fire department and assisted in writing the original standard operating procedure, and assisted with driver's training, fire training, served as a member of the Safety Committee and a member of the Honor Guard for the Pallbearer Team, and

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Mallonee received an EMS unit commendation for a cardiac arrest save, a fire unit commendation for his performance in a highly commendable manner during a structure fire where he pulled a back up line, and the Meritorious Service Award for membership, involvement and being one of the founding members for the Safety Committee, and

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**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Mallonee has served proudly with the Beavercreek Township Fire Department for thirty-six years and six months.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Beavercreek Township, Greene County, Ohio, offer Lieutenant David M. Mallonee their gratitude for his service and dedication to the citizens of Beavercreek Township and the city of Beavercreek and congratulate you on your retirement from the Beavercreek Township Fire Department, and

**FURTHER BE IT NOW RESOLVED**, that the fire department retire unit number thirty.

Ms. Graff asked if unit numbers were routinely retired. Chief VandenBos said that they were, but typically not in a formal manner. Doing so now is a progressive change to the retirement process.

Fire Department Bi-Weekly Report

It was pointed out that an additional document had been added detailing the administration of Narcan in the past week as well as the past year. Chief VandenBos clarified that this only detailed Narcan administered by Fire Department personnel. It was noted that two (2) of the Sheriff's vehicles also carry Narcan.

There was brief discussion of the good turnout for the Old Timers' Breakfast.

With regard to item 4.5 on the report, Mr. Kretz asked if Paycor access to customer porting had been restored since this report was submitted. Chief VandenBos stated it had not. Mr. Kretz asked if the obstacle to restoration had been identified. As was discussed at the last meeting, it required an email request being sent to the Fiscal Officer, which Mr. Zaharieff said had been done. Mr. Kretz asked if Paycor had been contacted with regard to how long it will take to restore. Chief VandenBos stated that, to the best of his knowledge, the Fiscal Officer is the only one who has permission with Paycor to make the request, and the request has been made to her. Mr. Kretz verified that Chief VandenBos would continue to make requests to the Fiscal Officer until the issue is resolved.

Mr. Roberts commented that it appeared significant assistance was being provided to the Fiscal Office. Chief VandenBos stated they have been providing regular assistance. DC Mercs has gone above and beyond what would be considered normal business operations with some of the assistance he's provided.

Legal Advisor – No report.

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Regarding ODOT and the US 35 project, Mr. Kretz said it seems like the process has stalled and asked how to get things moving. Mr. Zaharieff stated the County was supposed to meet with ODOT this week with regard to available safety grants as well as discussion of funding options. ODOT said the Township could pledge future funds toward the local match, but the question is how would the Township do that? It has not been clarified what the specific projects are that the Township is being asked to pledge funding for. Mr. Zaharieff's understanding prior to the meeting was if the Township were to pledge funding for something like widening Dayton-Xenia Road, which is on MVRPC's schedule for '20-'21, but wants to use that funding now for the Superstreet project, it would have to get permission from the County Engineer to agree to forego MVRPC or state funding for that project. The County Administrator was going to meet with ODOT and then have a meeting between the City of Beavercreek, City of Xenia, Beavercreek Township and Xenia Township.

With regard to matching funds, it was noted the Township has pledged \$50,000, the City has pledged \$750,000 for the Shakertown Road project, and the County has pledged \$50,000. It was clarified that the County's pledge was for the local matching funds for the US 35 interchange.

Mr. Kretz questioned if the Township's funding would come from the General Fund or Road. Mr. Zaharieff noted that it had been discussed last year to take from the Land Acquisition and Improvement Fund and put it as a line item in the General Fund, which would require a resolution to eliminate the Land Acquisition and Improvement Fund. For this year, it had been discussed that Mr. Parks would designate line items under the Parks section in the General Fund with the rest of the funding being pledged at that point toward not only the Superstreet project, but other projects that have been identified to improve traffic flow.

Mr. Kretz stated there has been little action taken since the initial meeting with the US 35 stakeholders. There has been no feedback on the traffic count study that was supposed to happen. At this point it is unclear whether the study was done. Mr. Kretz questioned whether the Township should look at making more of an investment in the project, such as the Valley-Bell connector, other surface street projects, or possibly pledging more funding.

Ms. Graff relayed a conversation she had with the County Treasurer in which he indicated it was his belief the County was carrying forward an excessive amount of funds. He was considering recommending they cut down their General Fund collection. Ms. Graff said she informed him there is a great need in this community that could be met if the County would put some of that excess funding toward the \$1.5 million needed for the US 35 project. Ms. Graff emphasized that with the same sentiment being expressed by other counties, pressure should be put on the County Commissioners to use funds from the sales tax. Since the majority of the sales tax comes from the City of Beavercreek and Beavercreek Township, it would be nice if the County would pledge \$500,000 a year from that fund over the next three (3) years to meet the \$1.5 million to fund the US 35 project. Ms. Graff said she would be happy to meet with the Commissioners to express that sentiment. They (the Commissioners) have the money and it's coming in from our community.

Mr. Zaharieff stated he had made the same statement with regard to the sales tax. Now that the majority of businesses are supporting this project, it only makes sense that the County pledges the sales tax dollars back into the community. He believes the County is waiting to get the final answer from the State of Ohio and

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then see who the players are going to be for the local match. He anticipates it will be the Township, the City of Beavercreek and the County.

There was some discussion of the private sector questioning whether the project will happen as well as why certain upgrades were being made that will be changed when the Superstreet is put in.

Mr. Zaharieff will get with the County Administrator to schedule a meeting as soon as possible.

Mr. Roberts then referred back to the Fire Department Bi-Weekly Report and congratulated the Fire Chief on the department's outreach efforts with the community and the EMS Open House event.

Fiscal Officer – No report.

**2016-243** Mr. Roberts moved to go into Executive Session under Ohio Revised Code section 121.22(G)(1) To consider the employment and compensation of a public employee, and also under Ohio Revised Code section 121.22(G)(3) for conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of imminent or pending legal action. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kretz. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

**2016-244** Mr. Roberts moved to come out of Executive Session at 9:49 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kretz. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

**2016-245** Mr. Kretz moved to adjourn at 9:49 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts. The vote: Mr. Roberts, yes; Mr. Kretz, yes; Ms. Graff, yes. The motion carried.

Trustee: \_\_\_\_\_

Fiscal Officer: \_\_\_\_\_