

Middleton Township Trustees

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

6:30 p.m.

Mr. Vetter called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken. Trustees Bostdorff, Getz and Vetter and Fiscal Officer Limes were in attendance. The sign-in sheet for employees and visitors is attached with the approved minutes.

Noted on the sign in sheet is a statement indicating the meeting may be recorded or streamed live to the internet by a visitor - not at the authority of the township trustees.

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT

- **Mrs. Getz moved, Mr. Bostdorff seconded a motion to approve the September 18, 2019 meeting minutes as provided. Motion approved.**
- **Mrs. Getz moved, Mr. Vetter seconded approval of accounts and payroll as submitted. Motion approved.** A payment register is attached to the approved minutes.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- **Mr. Bostdorff moved, Mrs. Getz seconded a motion to approve the purchase of 40 high visibility vests for township emergency services personnel. Motion approved.**
- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mrs. Getz seconded a motion to approve Lieutenant status in the Fire Department to Ben Valis and Tyler Ellis. Motion approved.** Chief Asmus reported they now have a full complement of officers in the fire department.
- Chief Asmus indicated he is trying to reach a fire fighter who has not completed his probationary requirements.
- Assistant Chief Brian Kotula reported on stored gear at Station 2.
- Promotion recognition is being requested by the fire department.
- **Mr. Bostdorff moved, Mrs. Getz seconded a motion to approve moving the starting time of the November 6 meeting to 6:00 p.m. to allow for promotion recognition. Motion approved.**

EMS DEPARTMENT

- Chief Matt Bechstein reviewed the September run report.
- Mr. Bechstein updated the Trustees on the status of ambulance 685, it is still not returned from Burgess for updates.
- A review of a recommended pay schedule by EMS Captain Tyler Ellis was held, discussing at length the options for a third-rider, on-call pay.
Mrs. Getz moved, Mr. Vetter seconded a motion to approve a six-month probation period to pay on-call EMTs \$2.00/hour for a total of 108 hours / week beginning at the time squad 685 is in service. Motion approved.
- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Bostdorff seconded a motion to approve partial support of five (5) individuals for a Paramedic Transition course at Wood County Hospital for a cost of \$1,600 per student to the township, with a two (2) year commitment from said individuals with employment in the EMS department of the township: Clint Weckesser, Jennifer Featzka, Dawn MacKay, Jamie Hiser, Jessie Thornton. Motion approved.** The township will pay one half up front and the other half at completion of the course. If the individual does not pass the course, they will refund the township. The total course cost is \$3,200/student.

OLD BUSINESS

- A waiver to attend a township-hosted Harassment Seminar was reviewed.
Mr. Vetter moved, Mrs. Getz seconded a motion to approve employees the opportunity to waive the township-hosted Harassment Seminar with a letter from their full-time employer within a two (2) year period of the seminar. Motion approved.
Mr. Vetter moved, Mrs. Getz seconded a motion to approve new hires take the harassment seminar within their probation. Motion approved.
- A review of Safety Day was held with all personnel in attendance. A review of the financials will be provided at a later date.
- **Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Bostdorff seconded Resolution 19-1002, Faithful Performance Application Bond for Township Employees with OTARMA. Role was called; Mr. Bostdorff – YES; Mrs. Getz – YES; Mr. Vetter – YES.**

Mrs. Getz moved, Mr. Bostdorff seconded adjournment of the meeting at 9:15 pm. Motion approved.

Fred E. Vetter, Chairman

Penelope S. Getz, Vice Chairman

James F. Bostdorff, Trustee

Laurie L. Limes, Fiscal Officer