

Middleton Township Trustees

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

9:00 a.m.

Mr. Vetter called the special meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken. In attendance were Trustees Cromley, and Vetter as well as Fiscal Officer Limes and Trustee Moulton was in attendance via a zoom call.

The sign-in sheet for employees and visitors is attached with the approved minutes. It is noted that Fire Chief Steve Asmus, EMS Chief Jerry Saunders, Road Supervisor Chase Greulich, Zoning Inspector Kip McDowell, Matt Pastula and Jeff Buehrer were all in attendance.

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.

To follow is a summary of topics discussed during the work session, noting no final decisions were made and the project is still in the working stages.

Matt Pastula, Pastula Design and Jeff Buehrer addressed the Board and reviewed numerous criteria drawings for an emergency services building.

Mr. Pastula indicated they moved the fire riser based on a prior conversation with the Board and Chiefs Asmus and Saunders.

Discussion included concrete pads with the intention of making those a secondary priority due to the cost.

Mr. Buehrer questioned the need for a small riser into the building, allowing for a 3-inch line to fill trucks.

The flat roof design was questioned and the Board indicated they wish to follow the roof pitch of the road maintenance building.

All agreed that a 14-foot door height would be sufficient and would allow for a ladder truck if one would be purchased in the future.

Mr. Pastula noted that the new energy codes were more stringent and they would be required to meet same.

Mr. Buehrer indicated all insulation has to be Class A.

The group confirmed that trench drains would be needed in the bays and Mr. Pastula noted they would provide those with clean outs.

Mr. Vetter questioned the electrical panels needed and the need for separate service panels.

Discussion revolved around the need for more electrical service to the site now, versus waiting for future expansion.

Stubs will be needed for generators on site.

Exhaust removal was addressed with whole house ventilation as the preferred method. Mr. Buehrer indicated that sensing stations would be installed and the overhead doors would automatically open. In addition, exhaust systems would be installed above the doors along with "Big Ass" style fans.

Total square feet of the project stand at 9,487. It is estimated a cost of \$225 / square foot.

Water run off was discussed, noting the natural slope of the property runs west to east.

Previous soil tests from the building of the township administration building were questioned. Bowser Morner will be contacted for its findings.

It was determined that the interior iron in the ceiling would be left exposed in the bays.

Preliminary hydrant locations were noted on the drawings.

A basic schedule was reviewed with regard to bidding, advertising, requests for proposals and a meeting that would be needed to rank the bids.

Mr. Buehrer noted that the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) now provides for 'best value' as a standard for selecting and approving bid awards on a project of this nature.

Timeline for paying for the building was also discussed.

Mr. Vetter moved, Mr. Cromley seconded a motion to approve a special meeting for the purpose of facilities on Wednesday, October 9 at 9:00 a.m. Motion approved. Mrs. Limes will submit the notice to the newspaper and township website.

Gray water removal and expansion of the building was reviewed briefly.

Mr. Cromley moved, Mr. Vetter seconded adjournment of the meeting at 10:55 pm. Motion approved.

Michael Moulton, Trustee

Donald E. Cromley, Vice Chairman

Fred E. Vetter, Chairman

Laurie L. Limes, Fiscal Officer