

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020**

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Regular Session on
August 18, 2020 with Trustee Shaffer, Trustee Nichols and Trustee Mittas

Also in Attendance:

Fiscal Officer John Ring, Public Works Director Chris Neisel, Fire Chief Christopher Smith, Fire
Assistant Chief Rick Morbito, Zoning Director Mike Hanshaw, and Assistant Zoning Director
Laura Datkuliak

Regular Meeting – August 4, 2020

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes from the August 4, 2020 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

FIRE:

Fire Chief presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$19,085.66 = Ambulance Billing, and \$4.00=Fire Prevention for total receipts of \$19,089.66 Mr. Shaffer made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the swearing in of Mike Henkel Firefighter/Medic with a salary of \$41,080.00 per year and hourly rate of \$15.59 and all other benefits according to Union Contract pending passing of physical and psychological evaluation. Start date will be 8/20/2020 with probationary period of one year to begin 8/18/2020, motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to hire Seth Shier, Zach Shier, and Harrison Williams as Part-time Firefighter/Basic EMTs @ the rate of \$13.25/hour and all other benefits according to the Township handbook pending passing of physical and background check with a probationary period of six months from 8/18/20. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to hire Scott Schwaben as a Part-time Firefighter/Medic @ the rate of \$14.25/hour and all other benefits according to the Township handbook pending passing of physical and background check with a probationary period of six months from 8/18/20. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the resignation letter from Jeremy Marzill effective August 18, 2020. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the Ohio Billing reports: Billing and Credit Reports-May, June and July 2020 and Credit summary for July 4th thru August 6th 2020 as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve opening 2 PO's:

PO's:

Verizon Wireless = \$2,500.00

Amazon Business= \$4,000.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve closing 3 PO's:

PO's:

93-2020= Amazon Business

175-2020= Lexipol

14-2020=Verizon Wireless

Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to authorize the Fire Chief to purchase a rope and rope equipment from Finley Fire Equipment in an amount not to exceed \$9,959.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 1 PO:

PO's:

Finley Fire Equipment = \$9,959.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to move into Executive Session at 7:27p.m. with Trustees and Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief, and Fiscal Officer to consider the compensation of a public employee per Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1). Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Mittas YES
 Mr. Shaffer YES
 Mr. Nichols YES

Mr. Nichols made a motion to move out of Executive Session at 8:12 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Mittas YES
 Mr. Shaffer YES
 Mr. Nichols YES

Mr. Mittas made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the resignation letter from Brett Siglow as a full time Fire Fighter with an effective date to be determined. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to authorize the Fire Chief to hire a potential of 2 full time fire fighter medics -one replacement and one new pending approval of the S.A.F.E.R. Grant. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

FYI:

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/ ROAD:

Public Works Director presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$4,466.00= culvert/apron, \$150.00 =Road Opening, \$32.00=GovDeals for total receipts of \$4,648.00. Mr. Mittas made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the CDL License and DOT physical requirement amendment to the Canton Township Employee Handbook as indicated below. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

CDL Licenses & DOT Physicals

Canton Township shall require a Department of Transportation (DOT) physical examination for all employees who are required to carry a commercial driver's license (CDL). The physical examination shall be performed by a physician selected by the Employer and paid for by the Employer. At this time, the current examination location is Aultworks which is subject to change.

Canton Township shall also pay the difference between the cost of a CDL and a personal driver's license. The CDL and Physical Card must be brought to work each day and carried by employee while operating township vehicles.

Employees who have a CDL must also maintain it by abiding by all applicable laws and regulations. Termination of employment will occur if an employee who is required to carry a CDL has his/her CDL revoked by the state.

(Effective 8-18-2020)

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the Board President to sign the letter to AEP to have two streets lights removed from the township account due to being located in the City of Canton. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

FYI:

- Street lighting Update
- Sidewalks
- No Trespassing signs
- Blind Pedestrian Signs
- Yard Waste Update

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/ PARK:

FYI:

- Canton Township Community Park Drive in movie
- Faircrest Park Flag Dropbox
- Canton Township Community Park Electric

ZONING:

Zoning Director presented zoning permit receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$1,519.30. Mr. Mittas made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the Board declare the following 5 properties as a nuisances as deemed by the Zoning Director, and order it abated per Ohio Revised Code 505.173 and/or 505.86 and/or 505.87 of the Canton Township Property Maintenance Code, seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Arthur D & Melissa Jackson	1303678	5327 Dunfred Cir SE	Trash/ Debris
John Krantz	1400332	3212 9 th St NW	Unlicensed Vehicle
Richard Cearfoss III	1314996	3516 Prairie College St	Trash/ Debris
Thomas Breining	1306037	420 Baumford Ave SE	Trash/ Debris
Brian Oliver	1307087	2629 6 th St SE	Trash/ Debris

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the Fiscal Officer to sign the letter to Stark County Auditor requesting a lien on the tax duplicate for trash and debris removal nuisance assessment on 10 parcels: 1307798, 1306616, 1306060, 1308399, 1315065, 1304875, 1304876, 1305244, 1302514, and 1308052 totaling \$5,700.00. Seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

FYI:

- Nuisance List
- High grass

COMMUNITY CENTER:

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to authorize Bridge Point Community Services to use a room at the Canton Township Community Center to pursue their tutoring efforts pending the execution of lease reviewed and prepared by Attorney Charlie Hall II between Canton Township Trustees and Bridge Point Community Services. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas abstained.

FISCAL OFFICER:

Fiscal Officer presented bills in the amount of \$57,395.59 and payroll in the amount of \$72,966.92 for total checks in the amount of \$130,362.51. Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the checks as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Shaffer with Mr. Shaffer abstaining from 24558 and 24559.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve cremation services to be paid to Dean’s Funeral Home for the deceased Carol J. Bennett at a cost not to exceed \$495.00. Ms. Bennett is indigent per Ohio Revised Code and this is now an expense of the Township. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 2 PO's:

PO's:

Dean's Funeral Home = \$495.00

Sliman's Printery=\$4,950.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve closing 1 PO:

PO's:

71-2020= Sliman's Printery

Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve Resolution No. 08-02-20 "A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A SEALED BID AND TO SELL 3520 SHERMAN CHURCH AVENUE SW, STARK COUNTY AUDITOR'S PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER 1380116 TO GP3, LLC." Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Shaffer	YES
	Mr. Nichols	YES
	Mr. Mittas	YES

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the Board President and Fiscal Officer sign the Real Estate Settlement Statement approved by Township legal counsel. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the Board President and Fiscal Officer sign to sign the GovPay.Net Merchant Agreement and E-Check Rider Agreement. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the Canton Township 2021 Alternative Tax Budget of \$7,650,125.94. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

FYI:

- Payroll Logs
- Aggregation Certificate
- Star Ohio Account

TRUSTEES:

MR. NICHOLS

FYI:

- CARES's Act Money
- Hall of Fame Village Construction
- Meyers Lake meeting Update

MR. MITTAS

FYI:

- Newsletter

MR. SHAFFER

FYI:

- Feedback regarding transient vendor process and fees

ADJOURN:

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Nichols made a motion to adjourn at 10:03p.m., seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES- Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

John Ring, Fiscal Officer

William G. Mittas, President

Christopher B. Nichols, Vice President

Mark R. Shaffer, Member