

HUNTINGTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 14, 2018

President Daniel Mathuews called the November 14, 2018 meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. at the Township Firehouse.

Roll Call: Daniel Mathuews Present
 Gary Hopkins Present
 Larry Kellough Absent

Motion by Daniel Mathuews, second by Larry Kellough, to approve the October 2018 meeting minutes.

Vote: Daniel Mathuews Yes
 Larry Kellough Yes
 Gary Hopkins Yes

Motion by Gary Hopkins, second by Daniel Mathuews, to approve payment of the October bills.

Vote: Gary Hopkins Yes
 Daniel Mathuews Yes
 Larry Kellough Yes

GUEST: Larry Cuckler, Fire Chief, approached the Board to ask for approval of six (6) purchase requisitions, as follows:

#1 Chillicothe Fire & Security	\$76	Fire Extinguisher service/inspection
#2 Cutright's Total Maint	\$1398.77	Service on 918, 913, 901 FD Vehicles
#3 Mark Porter	\$95	Repair/Maintenance on 2005 Ford E450
#4 Sprint	\$60/month	Hot spot capability for 2 tablets on the squads used for EMS reporting.
#5 Fire Safety Service	\$1800	Nozzle
#6 Breathing Air Systems	\$6,032	Equipment to fill smaller cylinders ourselves for medical oxygen.

Motion by Gary Hopkins, second by Daniel Mathuews, to approve all 6 purchase requisitions as presented by Chief Cuckler.

Vote: Gary Hopkins Yes
 Daniel Mathuews Yes
 Larry Kellough Yes

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➤ **Cuckler had 6 items to discuss with the Board:**

1. He discussed repair and maintenance on Department vehicles. He stated that consideration should be given to road miles vs idling/running time. He feels that the big trucks need service once a year and the squads two times a year.
2. SAFER Grant – Need to hire more part-time people to staff our 24/7 shifts. He provided a plan to the Board to advertise the job openings in 5 newspapers in the regional area with the plan to host open interviews on December 4th and 8th.
3. Projects that the Board should consider in 2019:
 - a. The older squad needs replaced; expect a new one to cost \$200k. FO Snyder stated that the Township still has payments on an existing loan for the newer squad. It will not be paid off until October 2020. Trustee Hopkins said that they would have to wait until the existing loan is paid off.
 - b. The ceiling issues in the pay - \$15-\$30k
 - c. 913 Tanker needs a new chassis - \$125k
 - d. Rescue 920 – needs to be re-chassised \$150k
 - e. Replace garage doors
 - f. The parking lot problems near the fire hydrant
4. Mutual aid calls: If we bill for those runs, may we still submit those runs for insurance billing? For example, \$250 for a transport and \$150 for non-transport. Also, could we change our policy to hard billing on those calls? Paxton Township bills Perry Township in Pike County. FO Snyder will find out more and report back at the December meeting. Noted that other townships, such as Franklin, whom we assist with calls are not reciprocating.
5. Discussed the possibility of 3 full time positions in the paid crew. FO Snyder will work out a cost of a full time employee. FF Grimm provided a paystub with his full time job for Snyder to review in her work.
6. The association would like permission to install an archery range in back of the fire house. Reinforce that no other weapons should be on the premises.

Motion by Gary Hopkins made a motion to approve the installation of an archery range at the Fire House, seconded by Daniel Mathuews.

Vote:	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes

7. Newer squad was in an accident recently. State Farm will cover the damage, approximately \$2,000.

GUEST Mary Cuckler invited the Board to the Fire Department's Christmas dinner at the fire house on December 4th at 6:00. She also discussed the breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 8th from 9 to 11.

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Trustee Hopkins had 4 items to discuss with fellow Board members:

1. The security system at the garage broke and will need repaired.
2. Are we able to pay out vacation days at the beginning of the year for the Road Crew, then any time off would be without pay throughout the year? FO Snyder stated that this is not an option because their vacation is accrued throughout the year as it progresses. They only one this could work is if the employees go a year with no vacation at all, in order to have fully earned the vacation the next year.
3. State Electric: We are still working on lights at the garage and purchasing lights as needed from State Electric.
4. Storm expected tonight, the Road crew will not be available so the trustees should be prepared to work.
5. The equipment trailer needs repaired and will cost too much for the Township to repair. A new trailer is needed for the little backhoe. Could we trade the trailer in on a zero turn mower? There is a person in Frankfort to whom we could discuss this option.

Trustee Kellough had 2 items to discuss with fellow Board members:

1. Easterday Road is in an unsafe condition, down to one lane with a sharp drop off that could potentially cause serious problems. Kellough has discussed our concerns with Mike of the County. A one-lane sign will be installed, but a longer term solution is needed. The question was asked if, like Rinehart Road, we should stop busses from traveling on that section of the road.
2. Tow Path. The county will obtain the grits that we will need for this winter, and they will pay for it.

FO Snyder asked the Board to approve the following supplemental allocation of funds:

\$250 from 2111.220.314 to 2111.220.599 to cover the Q3 stipend.

Motion by Daniel Mathuews, seconded by Gary Hopkins, to approve the supplemental allocations as noted above.

Vote:	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes

General items under discussion:

- Run stats for October: 61 total; 49 EMS of which we responded to 39, and 12 fire runs.
- FO Snyder provided an update on the adopted drug policy: Passed out to employees for review and signature.
- Received an IRS notice that the Township must begin making federal tax payments every two weeks, on Wednesday following the Friday pay date. This change is because of the amount of taxes we are now withholding from paychecks.
- All permits to sell alcoholic beverages in the Township will expire 2.1.19
- Acknowledgement that the 2 mill renewal passed by a margin of 69% to 31%.
- Melissa Weaver's criminal pre-trial is scheduled for 11.16.18 at 11:15.

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Motion by Gary Hopkins, second by Daniel Mathuews, to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 P.M.

Vote:	Daniel Mathuews	Yes
	Gary Hopkins	Yes
	Larry Kellough	Yes

ATTESTED:

President

Vice President

Member

Fiscal Officer