Record of Proceedings: October 12, 2021 West Chester Township Board of Trustees - Regular Meeting

Convene: Chairperson Wong convened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call: Mr. Wong, Mr. Welch, and Mrs. Becker responded.

Pledge of Allegiance: Repeated by those present.

Citizen's Comments

There were no citizen's comments.

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to amend the agenda and move Personnel Items before Requisition Items. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Personnel Items

Mr. Burks introduced the next item identifying his experience and qualifications. **MOTION** made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to Zachary Steele to the position of full-time Police Officer effective November 1, 2021 at the bi-weekly rate of \$2,521.34. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Burks introduced the next item saying his experience and qualifications. **MOTION** made by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mrs. Becker, to hire Cameron Arnold to the position of full-time Police Officer effective November 1, 2021 at the bi-weekly rate of \$2,521.34. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Burks introduced the next item saying his experience and qualifications.

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to hire Charles Pettit, Jr. to the position of full-time Police Officer effective November 1, 2021 at the bi-weekly rate of \$2,521.34. Discussion: Each of the Trustees expressed their insights, congratulations to and best wishes for the three, new police officers. Motion carried unanimously.

Thereupon, Fiscal Officer Jones swore in the three new Police Officers, accompanied by Police Chief Herzog and Assistant Police Chief Rebholz. Mr. Wong recognized the families of the new police officers in the audience.

Presentations

There were no presentations.

Action Items – For Approval by Motion

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to approve the Trustee Meeting Minutes for September 28, 2021. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION made by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mrs. Becker, to approve payment of bills. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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Mr. Burks submitted the following requisitions greater than \$7,500:

Requisitions – Greater than \$7,500.00

1.	Fire	\$ 249,600.00	Graybach LLC - Increase PO# S200767 for additional work on Station 73 rebuild project (CIP# 866)
2.	Fire	\$ 45,000.00	Emersion Design, LLC - Increase PO# S191800 for additional work on Station 73 rebuild project (CIP# 1489)
3.	Fire	\$ 17,841.00	Regis Commercial Properties, Inc Increase PO# S192055 for asphalt repairs at temporary Station 73 (CIP# 1489)
4.	Fire	\$ 9,970.00	Emcor Facilities Services, Inc Purchase and replace new water heater at Station 74
5.	Police	\$ 78,570.00	KAMTOY, Inc. dba Kings Toyota - Purchase one 2019 Toyota 4Runner and one 2018 Toyota Sienna (CIP# 1326)
6.	Police	\$ 32,477.00	Cincyautos, Inc Purchase one 2021 Ford Explorer (CIP# 1326)
7.	Police	\$ 16,265.00	Tri-State Public Safety - Purchase and install equipment to outfit one 2021 Ford Explorer police vehicle (CIP# 1326)
8.	Services	\$ 46,427.00	Kings Ford, Inc Purchase a 2021 Ford F350 One-ton truck (CIP# 1342)

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to approve payment of requisitions 1 through 8. Discussion: Mrs. Becker and Mr. Welch commented on the expenses pertaining to Station 73, noting it is the oldest fire station. Mr. Burks also commented that Station 73 is a critical station with the hazmat. Mr. Wong observed that the weight of the fire trucks is such that repair of the driveway at the temporary station should be expected. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Items

Mr. Burks introduced Mrs. Brown who reported on the insurance negotiations and rates, and noted this is our eighth year with Aetna. She responded to Trustee questions. There was no action taken on the matter at this time to approve a contract and premium rates with Aetna Medical Insurance for January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 as there was no motion on the matter.

Mr. Burks introduced the next item saying there was no premium increase.

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to approve contract and premium rates for dental insurance coverage with Delta Dental for January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023; and, to authorize the Township Administrator to execute the contract. Discussion: none.

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker that, having reviewed the staff report and affidavit, we declare the properties listed on the West Chester Township Board of Trustees meeting Agenda dated October 12, 2021 to be a public nuisance as authorized by the Ohio Revised Code. Staff is directed to cause removal of the nuisances identified, and monitor this property for 90 days to

require continued compliance. An administrative charge of 25% shall be added to the contractor fee for this property. Motion seconded by Mr. Welch. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

(Fiscal Officer Note: The three subject properties were 8523 Cincinnati Columbus Road, 7565 Nordan Drive, and 7579 Nordan Drive.)

MOTION made by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mrs. Becker, to not object to a new D5A and D6 liquor permit for Tylers Place Hotel Co LLC, dba Hampton Inn & Suites Cincinnati, Liberty Township, 7320 Tylers Place Boulevard, West Chester Twp. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to not object to a new D3 liquor permit for Millions Crab in West Chester Inc, dba Millions Crab, 7866 Tylersville Square Drive, West Chester Twp. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Burks introduced the next item noting the subject properties were valued at \$2,500 or less. **MOTION** made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to approve Statutory Resolution No. 22-2021 declaring surplus items for disposal. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

First Reading of Resolutions & Reading of Emergency Resolutions

There were no first readings of resolutions or readings of emergency resolutions.

Citizen's Comments

Ambrish Bansal,7291 St. Ives Place, spoke about the Hindu-American community.

Ann Holbrook, 7056 Barret Road, commented on the history of government and townships, and her understanding how West Chester Township can help a senior center. She also referenced how a local senior citizen agency can assist.

Bette Vorbroker, 7375 West Chester Road, expressed her appreciation for a senior center.

Second Reading & Vote on Pending Resolutions & Vote on Emergency Resolutions

There were no second readings, or votes on pending resolutions or emergency resolutions.

Discussion Items & Elected Official Comments

Mr. Wong commented on the high quality of life and affordability in West Chester Township. He noted numerous services available to seniors in our township, as well as improvements made in the township and the Board's conservative approach in their implementation. He concluded by expressing his appreciation for serving the township.

Mr. Welch commented on the "pocket park" in Olde West Chester and the Open House for the new fire station on Duff Drive on October 22nd. He also gave data about the branding and

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goodwill created by the DDI Interchange relative the costs associated with the landscaping at its entrance and exit ramps.

Mrs. Becker thanked Mr. Bansal for his comments.

Mr. Jones also thanked Mr. Bansal for his comments.

Mr. Burks clarified a citizen comment by noting the meetings the township has had with Ken Wilson from the Council on Aging. He concluded by saying Kemba Credit Union will soon have an Open House for their new building, which is the tallest in West Chester Township.

Recess to Executive Session

At 7:19 p.m., Mr. Wong asked for a motion to recess the Regular meeting and go into Executive Session with legal counsel for the purpose of considering and discussing: (1) the sale of property by competitive bid, or the sale or other disposition of unneeded, obsolete, or unfit-for-use property, (2) conference with an attorney for the Township concerning disputes involving the Township that are the subject of pending or imminent court action. Motion made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch. Mr. Wong said the Board would return to adjourn the Executive Session and to adjourn the Regular meeting. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.** Mr. Wong declared the meeting in recess.

Post Executive Session/Adjournment

MOTION made at 8:13 p.m. by Mrs. Becker to adjourn the Executive Session and resume the October 12, 2021. Regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Welch. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION made by Mrs. Becker, seconded by Mr. Welch, to adjourn the October 12, 2021 Regular meeting. Discussion: none. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Bruce Jones, Fiscal Officer

Lee Wong, Chairperson

Approved,

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