

RAVENNA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF EMERGENCY MEETING OF FEBRUARY 26, 2015

The Ravenna Township Board of Trustees met in Emergency Session at the Ravenna Township Trustee's Meeting Room, 6115 Spring Street, Ravenna, Ohio, on February 26, 2015. Trustee Hank Gibson called the meeting to order at 12:10 P.M. Roll call showed the following present: Trustees Vince Coia, Hank T. Gibson, and Pat Artz; Fiscal Officer Gail Pittman; Department Heads Fire Chief Mark Kozak, Zoning Inspector/Liaison Jim DiPaola and Assistant Fiscal Officer Jon Summers.

The purpose of the Emergency Session was to discuss and decide on a replacement Engine for the Fire Department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Mark Kozak was present and reported the following:

Mark and Jim looked at two used and one new fire trucks on Tuesday. He presented an analysis on the pros and cons of each. Ultimately Mark recommended purchasing a used vehicle. Both used vehicles he and Jim looked at are in great shape, the one in Hudson fitting into our needs better than the one in North Canton. The Hudson vehicle would not be available until their new vehicle comes in, sometime between March and June. Hudson would loan us the vehicle for a day for inspection. Chief Kozak suggests setting a budget of \$35,000 for both the purchase price and associated equipment and labor costs.

Fiscal Officer Gail Pittman discussed how to fund the vehicle purchase. She recommended going the used vehicle route. For the purchase of a new vehicle, she couldn't certify the funds would be available beyond the current levy. By purchasing the used vehicle, she can certify the funds are available for the used vehicle and there will be funds available to put something toward each of issues currently facing the Trustees as presented by Chief Kozak. It would allow us to have a functional fleet and give us the time to develop a long range vehicle replacement plan. Levy's should go on the ballot in November.

Hank Gibson noted that the Fire Fighters should be taking care of the equipment in the same way they would take care of their own equipment. There needs to be a better maintenance program for all the vehicles and equipment.

RES #15-033 A motion by Hank Gibson, seconded by Vince Coia to give Chief Kozak the authority to make an offer on the used vehicle with a cap of \$30,000. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

RES #15-034 A motion by Pat Artz, seconded by Vince Coia to utilize internet auction or direct sale, in whole or in parts, to dispose of surplus vehicle #2413 whichever action would yield us to recover the greater funds. R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

FISCAL OFFICER

RES #15-035 A motion by Hank Gibson, seconded by Pat Artz to approve PO #74-2015 in the amount of \$950.00 to Coia Implement for the roadside mower repair from the Road Fund which was tabled in the last meeting. R/C: Mr. Coia, abstained; Mrs. Artz, yes; and Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Hank Gibson, seconded by Vince Coia to adjourn the meeting at 12:56 p.m.
R/C: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Artz, yes; Mr. Gibson, yes. Motion Passed.

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN

TRUSTEE

FISCAL OFFICER

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