

**MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
"SPECIAL" MEETING MINUTES**

6:30 PM

August 22, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Tom Peck at 6:30 pm

Roll Call: Mrs. Jowers: Yes; Mr. Simmons: Yes; Mr. Peck: Yes; Mrs. Drew: Yes

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

FIRE & EMS STAFFING – Matt Carey

Score 1 Joe Pope (FF/EMT) – full time regular schedule

Score 2 Courtney Dean (FF/EMT) – full time floater

Testing and interviews completed. Two full time positions desired to address the issue of part time call offs resulting in overtime for some individuals willing to work to meet staffing minimums.

Per Matt, testing may become available as a State certification which would negate the need for Department testing, related costs and liability for perceived bias in testing results.

Motion **17-098** by Kim Simmons, seconded by Darlene Jowers to hire Joe Pope, effective with the start of the next pay period, as a full time FF/EMT at the prevailing contract wage, providing he passes the Police & Fire physical and drug test.

Roll Call: Mrs. Jowers: Yes; Mr. Simmons: Yes; Mr. Peck: Yes

Motion **17-099** by Darlene Jowers, seconded by Kim Simmons, to hire Courtney Dean, effective with the start of the next pay period, as a full time FF/EMT at the prevailing contract wage, providing he passes the Police & Fire physical and drug test.

Roll Call: Mrs. Jowers: Yes; Mr. Simmons: Yes; Mr. Peck: Yes

Washington Township chief has resigned and Matt has offered our assistance.

Monroe Township was on site at the fatal fire in Bethel and there was also a vehicle fatality.

Additional water damage at Laurel Station. Repairs still in process.

Firefighter health awareness discussed. Add to Workshop agenda.

Matt gone next week for Fire Officer 4 pre-requisite class. Fire Officer 4 is scheduled for JFM 2018. We will host Fire Officer 1 training next spring along with Bethel.

Safety Day supplies need to be paid for from Fund 2906 so please make certain you let the Fiscal Officer know so the BC is written from the correct Fund.

OTHER BUSINESS

Maintenance Department timekeeping discussion. Concerns about the time keeping App. Darlene asked for an opinion from the Prosecutor's Office on the electronic App.

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Discussion of Maintenance position and candidates.

Motion **17-100** by Tom Peck, seconded by Darlene Jowers, to enter into Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22G(1), to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of public employee, official, licensee or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing.

Roll Call: Mrs. Jowers: Yes; Mr. Simmons: Yes; Mr. Peck: Yes

Return from Executive Session at 7:27 PM

Motion **17-101** by Kim Simmons, seconded by Darlene Jowers to hire a full time Maintenance Department employee, Jerry Cramer, per Greg Schrichten's recommendation at \$15.50 per hour plus benefits assuming all normal hiring criteria in the Personnel Manual are met.

Roll Call: Mrs. Jowers: Yes; Mr. Simmons: Yes; Mr. Peck: Yes

Motion **17-102** by Kim Simmons, seconded by Darlene Jowers to accept the Spectrum quote for \$204.84 per location for 300/20x plus approximately \$100 one-time charge for installation and including guaranteed password protected wi-fi in both Fire Stations and in the Township Hall and a neat, clean install with removal of disabled wiring.

Roll Call: Mrs. Jowers: Yes; Mr. Simmons: Yes; Mr. Peck: Yes

Mr. Simmons will be the project lead for the new service.

PARKS

Kim Simmons provided an update on the cameras for Fair Oak Park.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by Tom Peck at 7:45 pm

Minutes submitted by Marie Drew, Fiscal Officer

Tom Peck, Trustee/Chairperson

Darlene Jowers, Trustee/Co-chairperson

Kim Simmons, Trustee

Marie Drew, Fiscal Officer