## 70/BAZETTA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES7/ SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 30, 2022, 7:00 pm

Bazetta Township Administration Building

3372 State Route 5, N.E. Cortland, Ohio 44410

## Present:

Chairman Trustee Michael Hovis Present Vice Chairman Trustee Bob McBride Present Trustee Michael Morelli Present Fiscal Officer Stacy Marling Present

Chairman Trustee Hovis opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and followed with a moment of silence.

Resolution to open discussions on the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Funds. 068-22

Motion:

Trustee McBride

Second:

Trustee Morelli

Vote:

Trustee McBride YES Trustee Hovis YES Trustee Morelli YES

Fiscal Officer Marling began by stating how much money we have received from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) which is \$289,479.55 dollars and was received in 2021. It is 50% of the amount we will receive. We will receive the next \$289,479.55 dollars this year around August for a total of \$578,959.10 dollars.

Trustee McBride suggested using funds for the township park to add additional parking, roadway, and infrastructure. He also suggested the Road Department could use more funding roads for daily upkeep.

Trustee Morelli explained the monies received go into the General Fund and the Trustees are to decide how to spend it. By population, it breaks done to \$105 dollars per Bazetta resident. He explained the repairs and improvements needed at the Township Park to preserve the infrastructure of Imagination Station and surrounding buildings and agrees on the parking lot and roadway. He also suggested using funds for roads.

Road Superintendent Parke updated the Trustees regarding the Burnet Drive project bid from Trumbull County Engineer's office which is \$207,317 thousand dollars. The low bid came from Kurilla Contractors at \$225,233 thousand dollars and is 7% over the County's estimate which is within allowing us to accept that bid. We will be responsible for the difference between those amounts that is \$17, 916 thousand dollars plus our original local share of \$95,366 thousand dollars making a total of \$113,282 thousand dollars. The project has a built-in

contingency of \$24 thousand dollars. The total project is about \$225 thousand dollars with our grant amount being about \$112 thousand dollars. The bid is good for a construction date of July 7 – November 30. He would like to see the ARP funds used for this project. Since so many other governments will have a lot of money for projects as well it would be wise to have a contingency project such as Quail Run Drive.

Fire Department Chief Rink proposed refurbishing the rescue truck that would cost between 35 and 50 thousand dollars but would prolong the life of the vehicle as the cost to replace is around \$500 thousand dollars. They also need a utility pick up truck at a cost of around %40 thousand dollars. To replace an ambulance is around \$150 thousand dollars and \$175 thousand dollars are needed to stabilize the budget.

Police Chief Herlinger explained they may need to upgrade the computer server to be compatible with the 911 center's upgrade if they choose a different system from the one we are currently using. This would cost approximately \$5 thousand dollars. At this point we have to wait and see what the 912 center chooses. The department is in need of an additional Air Card that provides Internet access to the MDTs in the cruisers. They have 6 cruisers and only 5 cards. The driveway and parking lot are deteriorated and in need of replacement for a cost of around \$61 thousand dollars.

The trustees discussed the Quail Run Drive project and all of the Trustees are in agreement they would like to see Quail Run Drive project completed this year if possible.

## ASKED TO BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA:

No one

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

069-22 Resolution to adjourn the Special Meeting at 7:50.

Motion:

Trustee Morelli

Second:

Trustee McBride

Vote:

Trustee McBride YES Trustee Hovis YES Trustee Morelli YES

Chairman Trustee Michael J. Hovis

Vice Chairman Trustee Bob MeBride

Trustee Michael Morelli

Date

04-12-2023

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