

GILFORD TOWNSHIP

MARCH 14, 2019

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present: D. Strasz, Treasurer; R. Haines, Clerk; A. Goss, Trustee; K. Houghtaling, Trustee. K. Houghtaling chaired meeting in absence of J. Stockmeyer. Order of agenda approved,

Budget Discussion: Budget discussion meeting opened. Addition of new computers, road work. Opening remarks discussed.

Public Comment: Anything in budget for road side mowing? Run ad to find someone to mow? Motion by R.Haines, second by D. Strasz to close budget discussion. Motion approved.

Regular Board of Trustees meeting called to order.

Public Comment: M. Trumbauer from Nextera provided update on wind project. 7 additional sites in Gilford Township are possible as back up turbine sites.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion by D. Strasz, second by A. Goss to approve minutes. Motion approved.

Treasurers Report: Motion by A. Goss, second by R. Haines to approve Treasurers Report. Motion approved.

Budget Adjustments for 2018-2019: Presented in Budget Booklet.

Speaker: Diane Foster Superintendent of A-F Schools presented bond project overview.

Supervisor:

Adopt 2019-2020 Budget: Presented, seconded, 4 yea, 0 nay, adopted. 2019-2020 meeting dates presented, seconded, 4 yea, 0 nay, adopted. Township attorney presented, seconded, 4 yea, 0 nay, adopted. Salaries for Assessor, Treasurer, Supervisor, Clerk, and Trustees all presented, seconded, 4 yea, 0 nay for each, all adopted.

3 Reese fire runs. Road work bids: Bradford Rd. from Dutcher to Akron, \$82,293 low bid. Bradford Rd. from Gilford to Deckerville \$81,246 low bid. Both low bids from Pyramid Paving. Table for April meeting. Village of Reese fire contract, motion by D. Strasz second by A. Goss to accept contract as presented. Motion approved. Estimate of \$2627.00 for 2 computers, 1 router, software. Motion by R. Haines second by D. Strasz to approve purchase of computers and supporting hardware and software. Motion approved.

Treasurer: Tax season is over, drop box worked well.

Clerk: R. Haines to research an alternative to existing phone system. Discussion and agreement to add G.L. number for Zoning Administrator salary. Motion by K. Houghtaling, second by A. Goss to pay bills, motion approved.

Trustees: Reese parks: Girl Scout asking for sidewalks, green space, water fountain, etc. Discussed repairs/upgrades needed. In kind donations discussed, public requesting sandbox be removed and pickle courts are being requested. New zoning/planning for Gilford Township is nearing completion, changes in commercial and residential designation at four corners in Gilford.

Ambulance Representative: Annual Corporation meeting held. 87 total responses to Gilford Township in 2018. The average time from 911 call to ambulance on scene in Gilford Township is 10:33. 10 responses in January.

Fire Department Representative: Reese: flags on graves for Memorial Day, 1 retirement, much training in future. Fairgrove: fish fries coming, new tools purchased from previous fish fries, more training, Star of The West offering help for purchase of helmets, gloves, and hoods.

Zoning Administrator: 2 permits issued.

Public Comment: Good comment on letter to editor regarding turbine money from taxes. Nextera has provided much monetary support to AF schools.

Motion by K. Houghtaling, second by R. Haines to adjourn at 10:05 P.M. Motion approved.

Robert L. Haines

Gilford Township Clerk