

Hanover Township Butler County, Ohio

Board of Township Trustees Special Work Session January 21, 2014

Minutes

The Board of Trustees convened at 4:00PM with Fred Stitsinger, Larry Miller and Doug Johnson present. Fiscal Officer Brosius, Administrator Henry and Fire Chief Clark were also present. The following agenda was adopted:

Agenda

- 1. Fred J. Stitsinger, Presiding
- 2. Roll Call: All Board Members Present
- 3. Purpose of Work Session: Fire/EMS Run data/pay Scales etc and general business
- 4. Presentation Updated Fire/EMS Run Data Report: Mr. Henry
 - A) List of alternatives to address schedule issues: All
 - B) Budget Considerations
 - C) Best Approach: Start in March or April?
- 5. Update State Bid List: Township Vehicle/ Authority to Proceed- motion/resolution
- 6. Update: Eaton Contract Discussions
- 7. Other/Adjourn

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The suggestions by Board members, Fire Chief and Administrator were summarized. A suggested pay plan is to be prepared for further review addressing the run gaps and seeking more involvement by a broader range of the members. Budget considerations were reviewed including a report presented by Mr. Henry reviewing Fire Department revenues and expenditures from 2001 through 2013 including projections for 2014. It was noted due to property devaluations the fire levy had been significantly negatively impacted. It is anticipated that potential changes in the fire payroll could cost an additional \$50,000 to \$100,000 per year depending upon approach. A decision was made to hold a departmental briefing in February to discuss pay plan options. Adoption of new plan would occur in March with an effective date of April1, 2014. In the mean time, the Fire Chief is to seek comments and make any suggestions to the Administrator prior to that meeting.

As a follow up to general discussions in prior Board meetings, Mr. Henry reviewed the options from the State Bid List for a new vehicle as well as the discussions with the County Engineer's office as they are purchasing 4 similar vehicles. The lowest price mid size SUV was a Fore Explorer with a base price of \$24,814.00 from Statewide Ford, Contractor ID#34-1748921. Various suggested options were discussed that included a towing package as well as other safety related elements. After review

by the Board, a decision was made to proceed. **Resolution No. 20-14** was assigned. Mr. Johnson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stitsinger to approve the purchase a Ford Explorer from the State Bid List (all statutory requirements are met through this program) through StateWide Ford for a base amount of \$24,814.00 with added safety options totaling \$1,287.00. After discussion, a motion was approved with all three Trustees voting yes after a roll call vote to authorize the Township Administrator to make said purchase. The Fiscal Officer noted that there are sufficient funds in the General Fund to make said purchase. Delivery is anticipated in 90-120 days.

There being no further business to conduct, Mr. Johnson made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Mr. Miller. The Fiscal officer asked for a roll call vote with all three Trustees voting yes to adjourn.