

The February 14, 2023 meeting of St. Albans Township was called to order by Chairman, Randal Almendinger.

All trustees and fiscal officer were present.

The minutes of the Organizational meeting were approved.

The minutes of the January meeting were approved.

The fiscal officer read fund balances to date.

Jim Lenner gave an update on what he's been working on. He has been given some other township handbooks to use to implement one for us.

He has discussed form based zoning with the zoning commission and he is getting them more information on it.

The comprehensive plan has been printed and have been handed out, he is having more printed.

Jim discussed the water/sewer district that he has been working on for the township. Says it will be a paper organization and we will contract with Johnstown, Granville and Alexandria. The purpose of this district will be to protect the township and to be able to put water and sewer where we want.

Dave Sapp talked about a culvert in Stonestrow, said there are at least 12 guardrail posts on Legend Lane that will need replaced in the near future, and said trustees need to be thinking about road priorities for the upcoming season so we aren't late like last year.

Tom Frederick said the Walker property cleanup will begin Friday at 8:00 A.M.

Mike Theisen gave the January Fire and EMS reports.

Mike talked about build times for an engine being 36-42 months, a medic being 36 months, and a station car being 18 months. He would like trustees to think about this so we can be put on the list.

Mike stated that he will be implementing a "prevention officer" position in 2024, and they will need a vehicle.

Mike said they have submitted the following grants: \$250,000.00 for a new grass truck, \$25,000.00 for Marcs radios (all radios have to be updated by 2025), and a gear extractor for \$50,000.00 from BWC.

Mike asked about having a Economic plan meeting.

Bruce Lane made a motion to hold a work session for Fire Department economic planning on February 28th at 6:00 P.M.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison -yes, Bruce Lane -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes. Motion carried.

Mike presented a quote from Locution.

Jean Morrison made a motion to approve up to \$10,000.00 for equipment for Locution Systems.

2nd by Randal Almedinger. Roll call: Jean Morrison -yes, Bruce Lane -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes. Motion carried.

Mike talked about "Share Point" and the migration of files and Spartan IT, CAD screens.

Bruce Lane made a motion to approve up to \$8253.38 to Spartan IT for Tv's in the bays.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison -yes, Bruce Lane -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes. Motion carried.

Randal Almendinger made a motion to approve \$3000.00 for a TV in the meeting room.

2nd by Bruce Lane. Roll call: Jean Morrison -yes, Bruce Lane -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes. Motion carried.

#29-2023 Randal Almendinger made a resolution adopting the Ohio Deferred Compensation program for eligible employees (entire resolution is on file)

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison -yes, Bruce Lane -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes. Resolution passed.

Dean Schiller talked about a matching program through the Licking County Park District.

#30-2023 Randal Almendinger made a resolution to accept the 2023 appropriations as prepared by the fiscal officer.

2nd by Bruce Lane. Roll call: Jean Morrison -yes, Bruce Lane -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes. Resolution passed.

Meeting was adjourned 9:22 P.M.

SPECIAL MEETING

The February 28, 2023 special meeting of St. Albans Township was called to order by Chairman, Randal Almendinger.

All trustees and fiscal officer were present.

The purpose of this meeting is a work session for Fire Department goals

Mike Theisen said a fire levy is expiring and needs to go on the ballot in the fall.

The county is doing new valuations so a replacement levy will generate more money.

Mike said that Liberty Township is exploring the idea of their own fire and EMS department. So their contracted money could go away in the future.

Mike said the county valuations won't increase to the amount that the fire department expenditure needs are increasing. He stated that he has had capital set aside of \$60,000.00 in his last 4 years budget for a purpose, but for the needs arising it needs to be a lot more than that.

Mike talked about revenues, grants, possible loans to finance the expenditures that need to happen, vehicle replacements, station replacement, additional station location and staffing.

Mike said the current station can only house 5 people.

Mike Washington asked about a way to impose fees on businesses with 50 plus employees to help offset costs.

Mike stated that unfortunately there is not a way to impose those fees.

The radio grant that was submitted was unsuccessful.

Vehicle replacement schedule was discussed along with ISO ratings.

Trustees discussed purchasing a new fire truck this quarter to miss the \$55-65,000.00 increase for next quarter.

Bruce Lane made a motion to adjourn the special meeting.

2nd by Randal Almendinger. Roll call: Jean Morrison -yes, Bruce Lane -yes, Randal Almendinger -yes.

Meeting adjourned 8:10 P.M.