

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021**

The Canton Township Board of Trustees met in a Regular Session on
March 16, 2021 with Trustee Shaffer, Trustee Nichols and Trustee Mittas

Also in Attendance:

Fiscal Officer John Ring, Public Works Director Chris Neisel, Fire Chief Christopher Smith, and
Zoning Director Mike Hanshaw

Regular Meeting – March 2, 2021

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes from the March 2, 2021 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols abstained.

Special Meeting – March 9, 2021

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve and waive the reading of the minutes from the March 9, 2021 Special Meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

FIRE:

Fire Chief presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$16,279.38 = Ambulance Billing, and \$ 75.00=Misc. Income for total receipts of \$16,354.38. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the swearing in of Herb Fogle Firefighter/Medic with a salary of \$41,080.00 per year and hourly rate of \$15.59 and all other benefits according to Union Contract pending passing of physical and psychological evaluation. Start date will be 4/3/21 with probationary period to begin from swearing in, motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion approve Quote # 002562 from Intech Computer Solutions remove/install new network equipment and shelving in an amount not to exceed \$2,034.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 1 PO:

PO:

Intech = \$2,034.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion approve the Fire Chief to renew LifePak monitors maintenance contract with Stryker in an amount not to exceed \$7,650.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 1 PO:

PO:
Stryker Medical = \$7,650.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion approve the Fire Chief to enter into a maintenance agreement with Staley Technologies for our portable and mobile radios in an amount not to exceed \$3,852.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 1 PO:

PO:
Staley Technologies = \$3,852.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion approve the Fire Chief to have Staley Technologies install programming and altering software for radio in an amount not to exceed \$1,488.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 1 PO:

PO:
Staley Technologies = \$1,488.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to acknowledge receipt of Ohio Billing and Credit Report for December 2020, January 2021 and February 2021 and Credit Summary report for February 2021. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to move into Executive Session at 7:23 p.m. with Trustees, Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief and Fiscal Officer to prepare for negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment per Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(4). Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Mittas	YES
	Mr. Shaffer	YES
	Mr. Nichols	YES

Mr. Nichols made a motion to move out of Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Mittas	YES
	Mr. Shaffer	YES
	Mr. Nichols	YES

Mr. Nichols made a motion to schedule a special meeting on March 23, 2021 at 6:15 pm at Township Hall for the purpose to discuss Fire Department related topics, to review the University of Akron Fire Program Proposal, and to approve the Faircrest Park RFQ architectural contract. The Board also reserves the right to discuss and take action on any other Township business that may come before the Board. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

FYI:

- Discussion regarding Akron University

COMMUNITY CENTER:

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve Stark County Board of Election to use the Community Center as a polling location for May 4th election as documented in their correspondence to the board. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/ ROAD:

Public Works Director presented receipts for two weeks for the following: \$100.00= Road Opening for total receipts of \$100.00. Mr. Mittas made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion approve quote from AMC Roofing LLC to repair a portion of the roof on the road garage in an amount not to exceed \$4,500.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 1 PO:

PO:
AMC Roofing = \$4,500.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion approve quote from Ron Cutlip Masonry Inc to repair brick/ mortar on the road garage in an amount not to exceed \$2,400.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 1 PO:

PO:
Ron Cutlip Masonary Inc = \$2,400.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the following bids and recommendation from Attorney Charles Hall for the asphalt patching, seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bid</u>
D & R Supply Inc	301-\$72.00/Ton, 402-\$75.00/Ton, 404-\$75.00/Ton, 405-\$85.00/Ton
Massillon Asphalt Company	448-1 \$55.00, 448-2 \$48.50, 301 \$46.50/ Ton
NorthStar Asphalt Inc.	448-1 \$56.00, 301 \$45.00/ Ton
Allied Corp	301- \$55.50, 448-1 \$61.00/ Ton
Central Allied	301 \$48.00, 448-1 \$58.00, 448-2 \$55.00 / Ton

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve and the Board sign letter to ODOT using their contract to purchase a wheel loader under ODOT Contract #170.21, seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve Resolution No. 03-01-21 “A Resolution to authorize participation in the Ohio Department of Transportation Office of Contracts Purchasing Services Cooperative Purchasing Program”. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Shaffer YES
 Mr. Nichols YES
 Mr. Mittas YES

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the Public Works Director to advertise to bid for the 2021 Asphalt Paving Program. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to move into Executive Session at 8:59 p.m. with Trustees, Public Works Director and Fiscal Officer to consider the compensation of a public employee per Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1). Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Mittas YES
 Mr. Shaffer YES
 Mr. Nichols YES

Mr. Mittas made a motion to move out of Executive Session at 9:16 p.m. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer.

Roll Call Vote:	Mr. Mittas	YES
	Mr. Shaffer	YES
	Mr. Nichols	YES

Mr. Shaffer made a motion upon recommendation by the Public Works Director to adjust Larry Baker’s wage to \$16.00 per hour effective next pay cycle. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion approve and accept the contract with Bull Country in the amount of \$130.00 per dumpster which is the same price as 2020 with updating the contract to correct contact information. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

FYI:

- Quote and financing options for new wheel loader
- 2021 Yard Waste Site
- Historical Association Meeting 3/24 (Laura)

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/ PARK:

The Public Works Director presented park rental receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$200.00. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES- Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

The Public Works Director presented Community Day Donations receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$600.00. Mr. Nichols made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES- Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the ball field assignments as their paperwork has been submitted to the Public Works Office. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas.

- Hamilton Field 9-10 year olds Canton Twp Baseball Association
- Hayhurst Field 11-12 year olds Canton Twp Baseball Association
- Abbott Field 9-10 year olds Canton Twp Baseball Association
- Mikunda Field 12U Lady Wildcats Youth Softball
- Community Park Soccer Field Ages 4-7 Canton South Soccer Club (spring and fall soccer season)

Mr. Nichols made a motion approve the Public Works Director to repair and replace dug out benches at Community Park in an amount not to exceed \$900.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas

Mr. Nichols made a motion approve the Public Works Director to purchase 6 trash can lids for the park in an amount not to exceed \$675.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas

Mr. Shaffer made a motion approve the Public Works Director to sign the contact for Starfire Corporation for Canton Township Community Day fireworks. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Mittas

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 1 PO:

PO:
Starfire Corporation = \$10,000.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

FYI:

- Message board signs access
- Opening Canton Township Community Park
- Flume for ball fields
- Porta John delivery
- Updated Community Day Pledge Tracker
- Community Day Band

ZONING:

Zoning Director presented zoning permit receipts for two weeks in the amount of \$516.00. Mr. Mittas made a motion to accept the receipts as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the Board declare the following 3 properties as nuisances as deemed by the Zoning Director, and order them abated per Ohio Revised Code 505.173 and/or 505.86 and/or 505.87 of the Canton Township Property Maintenance Code, seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Steve Filliez	1400005	1114 Oak Ave NW	Trash/debris
Kathryn Cox	1312902	1317 Trump Ave NE	Unsecure structure
Harold Cyrus	10013630	Waynesburg Dr SE	Shed on vacant lot

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the Fiscal Officer to sign the letter to Stark County Auditor requesting a lien on the tax duplicate for board-up of vacant house assessment on 1 parcel: 1 1307886 totaling \$1,040.00. Seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the Fiscal Officer to sign the letter to Stark County Auditor requesting a lien on the tax duplicate for trash and debris removal nuisance assessment on 2 parcels: 1301373 and 1304457 totaling \$3,729.93. Seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the 2020 Zoning Department Annual Report. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, voting NO - Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

FYI:

- Nuisance List
- New Application RJAZ Properties, LLC -CA-2-21
- Do Not Knock Registry
- BZA Meeting April 5th at 7pm
- New Business
 - HH Direct Health Services 3085 Cleveland Ave SW
 - Big Mama’s House Family Support Center 1666 Whipple Ave NW

FISCAL OFFICER:

Fiscal Officer presented bills in the amount of \$67,501.41 and payroll in the amount of \$122,920.88 for total checks in the amount of \$190,422.29. Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the checks as presented, motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES –Mr. Mittas, Mr. Nichols and Mr. Shaffer with Mr. Shaffer abstaining from warrants: 25535, 25602, and 25603, and Mr. Nichols abstaining from warrant 22576.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve Department Heads’ submissions for requests for vacation, compensatory time, and overtime. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve the Fiscal Officer to sign the Engagement Letter with the Ohio Auditor of State for the Ohio Police & Fire examination. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Shaffer made a motion to approve the Trustees to sign the February 2021 Bank Reconciliation. Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve the Fiscal Officer and Board President to sign Representation Letter from Alger & Associates Inc. Motion seconded by Mr. Nichols and voting YES – Mr. Nichols, Mr. Mittas, and Mr. Shaffer.

Mr. Nichols made a motion to approve opening 2 PO's:

PO:
Alger & Associates = \$6,820.00
AEP= \$6,000.00

Motion seconded by Mr. Mittas. Fiscal Officer certified funds are available and voting YES – Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

FYI:

- PO Review
- Payroll Logs
- Tax Incentive Review Council Meeting agreement to continue:
 - Foundation Systems & Anchors Inc./Antony Codispoti Canton L.S.D
 - Foundation Systems & Anchors Inc./Jacodar FSA, LLC/Codispoti Canton L.S.D.
 - Canton Galvanizing, LLC/Baconi Enterprises LLC Canton L.S.D

TRUSTEES:

MR. NICHOLS

FYI:

- Sherriff department sent out letters to skill games
- Stimulus Package

MR. MITTAS

FYI:

Mr. Mittas made a motion to approve Canton Township Telework Policy, effective March 17, 2021 with a Memo to be given to all employees indicating the Policy's effective date and that a copy is available in the Township office. Motion seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES – Mr. Mittas and Mr. Shaffer.

- Crime Watch Meeting March 29th at 6:30pm

ADJOURN:

No further business coming before the Board, Mr. Nichols made a motion to adjourn at 11:06 p.m., seconded by Mr. Shaffer and voting YES- Mr. Shaffer, Mr. Mittas and Mr. Nichols.

John Ring, Fiscal Officer

Christopher B. Nichols, President

Mark R. Shaffer, Vice President

William G. Mittas, Member