

Minutes

April 28, 2020

1. Opening of Meeting

Trustee Unger called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. All board members present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance 7:00 PM

All cited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Meditation (Moment of Silence)

4. Fiscal Office – Approval of Minutes from April 14, 2020

Approve April 14 minutes. Motion - Unger - Seconded - Rajagopal. All voted yes.

5. Presentations

a. Presentation from YMCA on Senior Center Activities

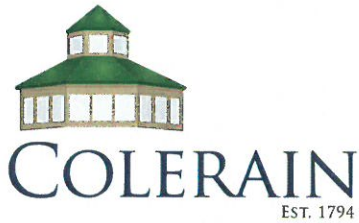
Nora Dashley gave a presentation on the Senior Center's programming and efforts through the COVID Crisis.

Mr Rajagopal thanks Nora Dashley for help they are providing for our seniors.

Mr Wahlert thanks them for their work. Colerain is blessed to have them.

Mr Unger thanks Nora Dashley for all the great work they're doing and for the presentation.

Mr Milz thanks them for the partnership Colerain has with them and for the presentation.



b. Presentation on Financial Scenarios for Fire Department

Chief Cook presented financial scenarios for the Fire Department

Jeff Weckbach also gave a presentation on the Fire & EMS fund balance projection and scenarios.

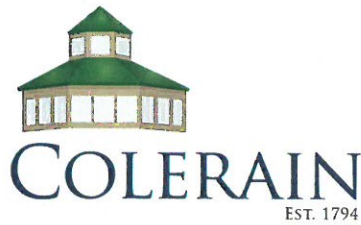
Discussion -

Mr Unger - we did add a position for an assistant in administrative office. Maybe there's some help there. A lot of companies do not own the buildings they occupy.

Can we see if there are some public partnerships that can help. Asks the finance department to search for ideas. Tax collections will be down this year.

Mr Rajagopal - what are the millage numbers? Mr. Weckbach - It should be 2 .23 mils that go to Fire Department.

Mr Wahlert - the key is to be creative. Thanks Mr Weckbach for the millage tool.



6. **Citizens Address**

Mr Milz read the citizens addresses:

Kathy Mohr - asked about the Finance Advisory Committee. Regarding "More Communication". What are you looking to make residents more aware of? Employees have a hard enough time keeping up with their responsibilities that they shouldn't have to worry about "communicating" for another 20 hours per week.

Mike Comella - The 2007 Resolution 44-07 that establishes a day time curfew for juveniles should be amended by the addition of a new section. The new section should contain language that extends permissible enforcement to Ohio Governor mandates such as the current "stay at home, stay in place" order.

Stephanie Wright - MOU with Waycross Media- There is already a contract and now Trustees want to increase. New agreement would only spend more money. Urges Board to not pass this resolution. Listed all of the current Colerain Township social media outlets that already exist.

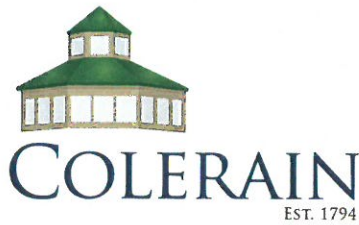
Donna Hoenstadt - Sidewalks from Burnside to Breezy Way are in need of repair.

Bruce Peirano - Hopes everyone is doing well. 2021 Storm Water District agreement. Commends Administration for identifying that the storm water district collects large sums of money and provides little benefit. MOU with Waycross is not a necessary measure. Believes it duplicates services already provided by CERKL and the website. Doesn't believe the Township should engage in "feel good" ideas.

Rose & Charlie Speicher - They believe option 2 of the social services options is the best at this time. Regarding the RFP for Communications and media consulting - Thinks paying 2 employees \$10/hour for 20 hours/week would be a bargain and money well spent. Wanted to express appreciation to the Board of Trustees, Mr Milz and his staff for their dedication to Colerain. They also appreciated the videos. Especially that of Colerain's very own Reds batboy Teddy Kremer.

Carrie Davis - Mentioned Colerain Township's lawsuit. Mentions that she thought the Waycross contract was tabled at the last meeting. Discussed Ohio Governor's plan regarding the Covid crisis. Discussed signatures for Save Lake Gloria

Janet Klar - Spoke about issues on Hollybrook Ct regarding a house with 2 broken down cars in driveway and junk in front yard.



7. Administrative Reports

Fire Department - Chief Cook - no report

Police Department - Chief Denney - gave a brief update

Public Services - Jackie O'Connel - remind everyone to get out and enjoy our parks. Be safe. Pick up after yourselves and your pets. Please discard of all PPE

Planning & Zoning - Mike Ionna - Business as usual in the Planning & Zoning Department. New features on the website to increase transparency.

Administration - Geoff Milz - partnership with Kroger on Covid testing. Mentioned Port Authority's Reach Program - Focus Neighborhoods List.

Mr Wahlert asked about food truck licensing. Mr Milz - Food Trucks are regulated by Police Department. Need transient vendor license.

Mr Rajagopal - are food trucks affecting small business sales? It's a different food service model and fill a niche that brick and mortar restaurants do not.

Mr Unger - Catering companies sometimes do not have brick & mortar either.

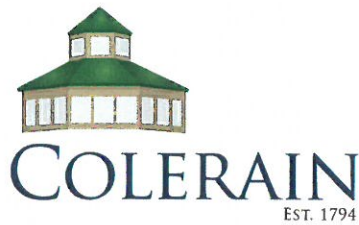
8. Trustees' Report

Trustee Rajagopal - Thanks to the Fire Department and Police Department and all first responders for their efforts during covid crisis.

Trustee Wahlert - Thanks police, fire and public works. May 6th is Nurses Day. Thanks Waycross for recordings. Anyone can call or text Trustee Wahlert.

Trustee Unger - Glad to see fellow Trustees on the screen. In regards to Mohr/Wright vs Colerain. Judgement is not complete. In regards to Waycross, money does not come from tax dollars. Waycross contract has been in place for 2 years. Has Lake Gloria has not come before board of trustees or zoning department? Mr Milz -No they have not. The Township does not own Lake Gloria. You hear about what other municipalities are doing regarding Covid crisis. Colerain has done a great job of realizing people have property rights. Hopes all businesses in Colerain can reopen. Thanks to everyone who are struggling.

9. New Business



Public Safety

Motion to Purchase Four (4) Power “Load” Powered Cot Fastener Systems and One (1) Power – Pro XT COT Recommend adoption of a motion to purchase from the Stryker Corporation four (4) Power “Load” Powered Cot Fastener Systems and one (1) Power-Pro XT Cot in the amount of \$128,403.61

Rationale:

The proposed acquisition of the Power “Load” systems and cot will equip seven of the eight ambulances in the department’s fleet. This equipment enhances emergency medical personnel and patient safety by supporting the cot throughout the loading and unloading process, thus reducing the potential for employee spinal and muscular back related injuries. The system has a maximum capacity to lift up to 700-pounds.

Motion - Mr Unger, Seconded Mr Wahlert.

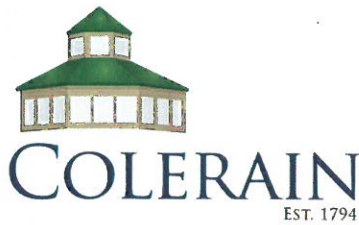
Discussion - Mr Rajagopal. This is a great idea and great investment for first responders.

Mr Wahlert - What is the life expectancy on these. Chief Cook. They're new to the industry so he can't answer that. But they will be kept up very well through preventative maintenance. Look for grants to purchase others as well.

All voted yes.

- a. Motion to Purchase Four (4) Power “Load” Powered Cot Fastener Systems and One (1) Power – Pro XT COT

Public Services



- a. Resolution Authorizing Participation in the 2020 ODOT Salt Contract
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Recommend adoption of Resolution #18-20 authorizing participation in the 2020 ODOT Salt contract.

Rationale:

Annually, the Township must enter into an agreement to purchase salt. In order to participate in the ODOT joint salt purchase for the winter of 2020-2021, the Township must pass a resolution of participation at this meeting. Participating in the ODOT program is more cost effective than independently purchasing salt as

ODOT is able to leverage the collective purchasing power of multiple jurisdictions.

Motion - Mr Unger, Seconded Mr Rajagopal

Vote - Mr Rajagopal - Yes, Mr Unger - Yes, Mr Wahlert - Yes

Planning & Zoning

Administration

- a. Resolution #19-20 Extending the Emergency Declaration in Colerain Township

Motion - Mr Wahlert, Seconded - Mr Unger

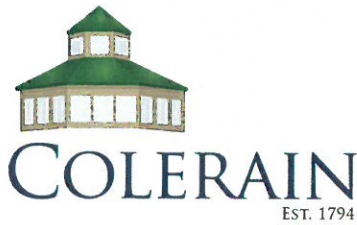
Discussion - Mr Milz advised the board there were no negative consequences to the township declaring an emergency for a few days longer than the state and the administration was currently putting plans in place for full opening of administrative offices.

Vote - Mr Rajagopal - Yes, Mr Unger - Yes, Mr Wahlert - Yes

- b. Resolution # 20-20 Modifying Paid Time Off Policy - For COVID-19

Motion - Mr Unger, Seconded - Mr Wahlert

Vote - Mr Rajagopal - Yes, Mr Unger - Yes, Mr Wahlert - Yes



- c. Motion Directing Township Administrator to Sign the 2021 Storm Water District Level of Service and Estimated Service Fee Form

Motion - Unger, Seconded - Wahlert

Discussion - Mr Rajagopal- Do businesses have to pay the fee? Mr Milz is not sure. Mr Rajagopal - is not satisfied with the service provided by storm water district. Mr Wahlert - spoke with other township leaders. Not happy with the cost of this. Is not supporting signing the form

Mr Rajagopal - if we exit will there be a refund? Mr Milz - we cannot exit the district. Mr Unger - it can be brought back to the board.

All voted NO

- d. Discussion of Veteran Banners

Mr Wahlert - There are a higher rate of veterans here than in most areas. Based on the support of Mr Green, he recommends Colerain get on board with these.

Mr Unger - It depends on the cost, and how they are funded

Mr Milz discussed ways to get this accomplished. At next trustee meeting there will be a presentation on May 12th

Old Business

10.

- a. Resolution to Establish Rules of Procedure for Trustee Meeting

Mr Wahlert - Updates have been made. Unsure of the process to have them go through.

Motion - Mr Wahlert, Seconded - Mr Unger

Discussion -

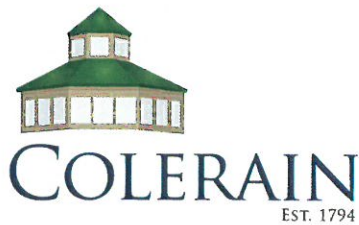
Mr Unger - appreciates the effort, but does not support it. Mentioned this will change the way they can hold meetings.

Mr Rajagopal - thinks its a good idea.

Mr Wahlert and Mr Rajagopal voted yes. Mr Unger voted No

- b. Motion Authorizing the Township Administrator to Enter into a Contract with Waycross for Communication Services

Motion - Mr Unger, not seconded. Motion dies for lack of second.



c. Discussion of Establishing Local Social Service Support Programs

Mr Milz discussed options for establishing Local Social Service Support Programs.

Option 1 - create a new Colerain Twp social services program and provide residents with emergency funding

Option 2 - link to a web page to connect residents to existing resources.

Option 3 - Pause on the issue

Mr Wahlert - Motions to approve option #2 in directing individuals to existing programs., Seconded - Mr Unger

Discussion -

Mr Wahlert - no one else is doing anything like this. There is no benchmark.

Mr Rajagopal - Colerain Township is one step higher and we don't need a benchmark to start something. Would like to set aside funds to start a program.

Mr Unger - encourages charities to help. If we set aside money, it will be gone the next day. Doesn't think its fiscally prudent to establish funds

Mr Wahlert - option 2 allows us to get existing programs out to the public now while we figure out if we need additional programs. Mr Unger - Hamilton County provides services that other surrounding counties would never consider providing. All voted yes

d. Discussion of Establishing Business Support Programs

Mr Wahlert - Would prefer to pause the issue. Seconded - Mr Unger agreed

Mr Rajagopal - also agreed

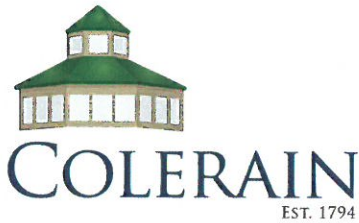
11. Consent Items

a. Contract with Abercrombie for Megaland Survey

b. Motion to Authorize Acceptance of Monetary Donation to the Fire Department

Motion to approve all consent items- Mr Unger, Seconded Mr Rajagopal. All voted yes.

All consent items approved



12. Fiscal Office Report

I will be meeting with the State Auditors Office on May 5th to discuss our overwhelming public records requests. So far in April we have reached 66 public records request. We are working, trying to find ways to be able to fill so many requests.

For example, we received 18 requests at one time from an "anonymous" individual that will turn into well over 20 individual public records request. Mr Unger - Is that the one with the obscene gesture in the email.

Mr Baker - Yes it is.

In regards to the incomplete older records requests mentioned at the last meeting. Our office has found that the vast majority of those are records that were indeed filled but were not closed out in CSR. We will be working to send emails to those requesters letting them know we will be closing these out and if they feel they were not filled they are welcome to re-submit the requests.

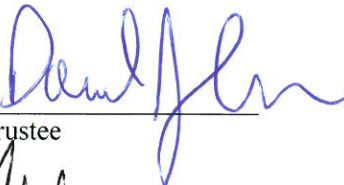
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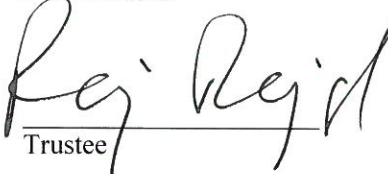
Motion - Mr Rajagopal, Seconded - Mr Wahert

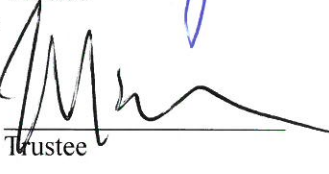
All voted yes.

Meeting adjourned at 10:09 PM



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