

COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Special Meeting of April 10, 2018

The Coventry Township Board of Trustees met in special session on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. in the Coventry Township ADA Room, 68 Portage Lakes Drive, Akron, Ohio to discuss the zoning inspector position, parks levy, a festival request, parks maintenance and special events, and to go into Executive Session to consider the acquisition of property for public purposes and pending legal action.

Call to Order:

Richard Kutuchief will call the meeting to order and ask Administrator, Anna Bryant to record the following Trustees present: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. All Trustees were recorded present.

Executive Session

Richard Kutuchief made a motion to adjourn to executive session to consider the acquisition of property for public purposes and pending legal action.

Adjourned to executive session at 8:02 a.m.

Convened executive session at 8:02 a.m.

Discussion:

Motion to adjourn executive session:

Tom Seese made a motion to adjourn executive session.

Adjourned executive session at 8:26 a.m.

Reconvened regular session at 8:26 a.m.

Zoning Inspector Position

Discussion was held over the ad and job description that was sent via email by Anna Bryant on 3/21/18. Tom Seese stated he likes the original job description written in the 1980's because it is more general. He would also like George to ask the zoning board members if any of them are interested in the position. He'd like it to be a part-time position to start. Anna Bryant stated that the list of functions for the position are the things George does, if those aren't a part of that job any longer, who is going to do them? Discussion was held over the ad. It was amended to make it the "position of Zoning Inspector" full or part time can be decided based on the applicant. The Board will review the job description for the May meeting.

180410-01 Richard Kutuchief made a motion to advertise for the Zoning Inspector position as written. Edward Diebold seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, no; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, no. Motion failed 1-2.

180410-02 Edward Diebold made a motion to publish an ad for the Zoning Inspector position as amended per discussion. Richard Kutuchief seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Parks

Richard Kutuchief discussed paying TrueGreen to apply weed & feed treatments at the vacant lot next to the administration office. Tom Seese stated that he doesn't want to spend the money.

180410-03 Richard Kutuchief made a motion to hire TrueGreen for fertilizer at the lot next to the Administration Office. (No second - motion failed)

Tom Seese stated that there is an issue with the roots at the back of the lot. Richard Kutuchief stated that he'd talk to Lael about what can be done.

Tom Seese stated that we should put together a parks levy for .5 mills. Anna Bryant stated she would find out the filing deadline and get the resolution together requesting the yield from the County Fiscal Officer.

Festival Request – Parks Maintenance and Special Events - Claud DeBord’s Halloween Festival – Logan Field

Discussion was held over feasibility of this request (sent to the Board via email on 3/9/18) given the size of the festival, parking, safety measures, etc. Mr. DeBord is proposing a large non-profit Halloween themed festival in the middle of October, which he estimates will bring 10,000 people at Logan Field. After discussion it was decided that none of the Township facilities are suitable for an event that large. There is a conflict with sports schedules, there is not enough parking and we can not afford the destruction of our fields. Anna Bryant will call Mr. DeBord and thank him for his interest, but it’s not a good fit for our community.

Parks Maintenance & Special Events

Richard Kutuchief explained his goal of having a concert/dance in the park series, movies in the park or at the Community Center. He asked the rest of the Board if they would be interested in doing a re-dedication of the Community Center. We need to do some renovations to get it ready to rent and meet current fire safety. Bob Saffian advised that alcohol is allowed as long as it is not being sold. We will amend the contract and have it sent to Irv for approval.

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting:

Tom Seese made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Edward Diebold seconded the motion. Roll call: Edward Diebold, yes; Richard Kutuchief, yes; and Tom Seese, yes. Motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 a.m.

Chairman

Fiscal Officer