

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
SPECIAL TRUSTEE MEETING HELD MAY 5, 2020**

The Fairfield Township Trustees held a Special Trustee Meeting Tuesday, May 5, 2020, at the Administration Building, 6032 Morris Road, Fairfield Township, OH 45011, for conducting Township business. Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Hartkemeyer, Board Chairperson, at 6:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Hartkemeyer	Present
Mr. McAbee	Present
Mrs. Berding	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #20-75 PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION (LIMITED TAX) IMPROVEMENT BONDS IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,500,000.00 TO PAY THE COST OF REHABILITATION AND EXPANSION OF A POLICE DEPARTMENT BUILDING AND THE EXECUTION OF OTHER NECESSARY AGREEMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY #20-75

Resolution #20-75 providing for the issuance and sale of general obligation (limited tax) improvement bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 to pay the cost of rehabilitation and expansion of a police department building the execution of other necessary agreements and certifications and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Pat Woodside, Bond Counsel – this is to issue bonds totaling \$1,500,000.00 to finance the rehabilitation and expansion of a police department building. The bonds will be secured by the general taxing ability of the Township. These will be consolidated into a single resolution so that the bonds to finance each of the three projects and be issued as one single bond to reduce administrative cost. The reason we have three resolutions is because under the ORC each resolution must be with respect to a single purpose. Each of those three projects must be individually approved. The payments will be made, typically, by wire. The bank will give instructions. Payments will be made twice a year. If these are approved, we will enter into a bond payment agreement. In this case that can be repaid by whatever is appropriated by the Township.

Motion made by Mrs. Hartkemeyer, second by Mrs. Berding to adopt Resolution #20-75
YES – Mrs. Berding, Mrs. Hartkemeyer
NO – Mr. McAbee

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RESOLUTION #20-76 PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION (LIMITED TAX) IMPROVEMENT BONDS IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,500,000.00 TO PAY THE COSTS OF ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO GILMORE ROAD #20-76

Resolution #20-76 providing for the issuance and sale of general obligation (limited tax) improvement bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 to pay the costs of acquisition and construction of improvements to Gilmore Road.

Mr. Pat Woodside, Bond Counsel - This is a very similar resolution but, the use of the funds are limited to improvements to Gilmore Road. This will be combined with the previous resolution.

Motion made by Mrs. Hartkemeyer, second by Mrs. Berding to adopt Resolution #20-76
YES – Mrs. Berding, Mrs. Hartkemeyer

NO – Mr. McAbee

RESOLUTION #20-77 PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALES OF GENERAL OBLIGATION (LIMITED TAX) IMPROVEMENT BONDS IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000.00 TO PAY THE COSTS OF ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF A SERVICE BUILDING AND THE EXECUTION OF OTHER NECESSARY AGREEMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY #20-77

Resolution #20-77 providing for the issuance and sales of general obligation (limited tax) improvement bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$2,500,000.00 to pay the costs of acquisition, construction, and improvement of a Service Building and the execution of other necessary agreements and certifications and declaring an emergency

Mr. Pat Woodside, Bond Counsel – This resolution is similar to the other two resolutions. The authorization is identical. The use of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds is the only difference bonds.

Motion made by Mrs. Berding, second by Mrs. Hartkemeyer to adopt Resolution #20-77
YES – Mrs. Berding, Mrs. Hartkemeyer

NO – Mr. McAbee

RESOLUTION #20-78 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION (LIMITED TAX) VARIOUS PURPOSE BONDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY #20-78

Resolution #20-78 authorizing the issuance of general obligation (limited tax) various purpose bonds and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Pat Woodside, Bond Counsel – this is the resolution that consolidates the three prior resolutions.

Mr. McAbee - I still disagree with borrowing \$5,500,000.00 at this time that the financial situation that we and the whole country are in. This is the third time I've voted no on them. I think we would be much more prudent with the finances if we would wait 60-90 days to see how bad this is going to be. We have enough money now to pay for Gilmore Road.

Mrs. Hartkemeyer – I think that we have a potential hit to our Township funds. The

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research we could have some hits to the local government funds and gas tax that could potentially impact the Township. We will want to keep an eye on that.

Mr. Ken Geis, Consultant – the property tax is the revenue stream for Fairfield Township. Property taxes cannot be abated or forgiven. So, the property tax will be collected as it normally does. The Township does not rely heavily on the JEDD revenue for all their income even though there is some. I think I have seen some projections that the gasoline tax will be reduced by as much as 35%. There is a question as to whether the local government fund will be impacted. The foundation for the Township is property taxes.

Motion made by Mrs. Hartkemeyer, second by Mrs. Berding to adopt Resolution #20-78
YES – Mrs. Berding, Mrs. Hartkemeyer
NO – Mr. McAbee

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mrs. Vonderhaar – we currently have 31 viewers. Rodney Hibbard did reach out to ask what was wrong with our Police Department. As I stated previously our Police Department was built residentially instead of commercially. As a result, we've had roof, window, flooding, flooring, elevator issues and constant leaks. With the growth in the Police Department and professionalism more room is needed. Becky Bradshaw weighed in to say if a levy is needed this would be bad timing. I assured her we are not asking for a levy.

Mrs. Berding – Mr. McAbee does weigh some valid points as to the what is going to happen to the economy. Knowing what we know to be true with our analysis I feel that none of us have plans to put a levy on to finance this. Our overall fiscal health is very good at this time. We do have some money in cash to pay for the Gilmore Road Project. I think what we're trying to do is project our general fund in case that is needed. We're not like a city; we don't rely on sales taxes. We rely heavily on property tax income and I feel good about the revenue stream. These projects are all essential projects and I feel like we're doing it in a very responsible way. I would invite anyone to come in and tour our facilities.

Mrs. Hartkemeyer – I would welcome anyone to take a look at the issues at the Police Department. I would encourage you to drive by the Service Building. You can see the things we have to keep in the back lot. This is part of building Fairfield Township for the future.

Mr. McAbee – you both are inviting people to come in. Its pretty hard to say come on over when the buildings aren't open. This is what we should have done before. I feel like we are doing this under the cloak of darkness. The public has not been brought along in the whole process.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Fairfield Township Board of Trustees Meeting – Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 6:30 PM

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Motion made by Mrs. Hartkemeyer, second by Mrs. Berding to adjourn at 7:08 P.M.
YES – Mrs. Berding, Mrs. Hartkemeyer
NO – Mr. McAbee

Minutes submitted by:

Shelly Schultz, Fiscal Officer

Shannon Hartkemeyer, Board Chairperson

Joe McAbee, Trustee

Susan Berding, Trustee

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