

the special session of the Washington Township Trustees

at the Township Hall, Lewistown, Friday, December 16, 2024

The Washington Township Trustees met in special session on Friday, December 16, 2024 at the township hall at 8:00 AM with Trustees Tucker Berg, Don Lewis and Jason Faulder present. Also present was Fiscal Officer Lisa Miller.

Trustee Lewis called the special meeting to order at 8:00 AM

#### **Fiscal Officer Business - Lisa Miller**

- **Payment of Township Bills** – Fiscal Officer Miller presented and Trustee Faulder made a motion to pay all financial obligations. Trustee Berg seconded the motion. A vote was taken and all answered “Aye” – motion passed 3-0.
- **Resolution 2024-015– Approval of Temporary Appropriations/Budget** Trustee Faulder made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-015 allowing Washington Township to operate temporarily on 75% of the 2024 budget and all temporary appropriations until the 2025 permanent budget and appropriations are approved. Trustee Lewis seconded the motion. A vote was taken and all answered “Aye”. Resolution passed 3-0.
- **Resolution 2024-016 - Health Care Procurement / Reimbursement** Trustee Lewis made a motion to approve resolution 2024-016 to allow reimbursement for health care to elected officials or full time employees and their dependents per ORC 505.60 with a \$550/monthly maximum in FY 2025. Trustee Berg seconded. A vote was taken and all answered “Aye”. Resolution passed 3-0.
- **OPERS rates for 2025** remain the same as in 2024 and are as follows:  
Employee Share – 10.00% and Employer Share – 14.00% for General Employees  
Employee Share – 14.00% and Employer Share – 18.10% for Full Time Officer
- **INVENTORY**  
All Departments will be asked at the January 13, 2025 meeting to perform an inventory of township assets and return to the Fiscal Officer by Monday, January 27, 2025. She in turn will take a copy of that inventory to the Logan County Engineer’s Office.
- **2025 Budgeted Items Discussed**  
Listed below are some of the items/amounts the Trustees and Fiscal Officer have set aside for the **Road Department & Park in FY2025:**

1. Paving (TR215 and TR33 > \$401,552 using OPWC funds)
2. Tree Trimming (\$5,000)
3. Demolition of Condemned Structures (\$20,000)
4. Dumpster Days (\$5,000)

Listed below are most of the items/amounts the Trustees and Fiscal Officer have set aside for the **Police Department in FY2025:**

1. Charge prep to road worthiness – (\$10,000)
2. MARCS (Radios – annual \$1500)
3. Gasoline (\$25,000)
4. LEADS (\$4500 annual)
5. PAAR (\$10,000)
6. Google Workspace (\$1500)
7. Phones/Internet (\$5200)
8. Maintenance / Repairs (\$10,000)
9. Operating Supplies (\$10,000)
10. K-9 Hondo (\$2,000)
11. Office Supplies, Stamps Shelves, (\$2500)
12. OTARMA (\$7000)
13. BWC (\$2500)
14. Salaries Total (\$290,000 - includes salary, OPERS and Medicare)
15. Medical Reimbursements for FT Officers (\$26,400)

Discussion of changes for Officers Brown and Wirick. Both Officers will each be serving 10 hours a week patrolling in Lakeview (40 hrs. / month) as well as Officer Brown will work 50 hours per month for WTPD as our Nuisance Control Officer and has been with WTPD for one year (since 11/13/2023) so will have 40 hours of vacation. Officer Wirick was just hired on 10/1/2024 and will be working 20 hours per month for WTPD and will have 20 hours of vacation available to use in 2025. Trustee Faulder made a motion to increase each of the Officers pay from \$20/hour to \$21.50 per hour. Trustee Lewis seconded the motion and all answered “Aye” – motion passed 3-0.

Chief Thompson asked the Trustee for \$10,000 to bring the Charger up to speed ad all three Chargers have over 100,000 miles. After some discussion, Trustee Lewis made a motion to approve \$10,000 to get the work done that’s needed for the Charger and Trustee Berg seconded the motion. All answered “Aye” and motion was passed 3-0.

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With no further business to come before the group, Trustee Lewis made a motion to adjourn at 9:17 AM; Trustee Berg seconded the motion. All answered "Aye". Motion passed 3-0. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 13, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at the township hall.

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Lisa A. Miller, Fiscal Officer

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Don Lewis, Chairman of the Board of Trustees

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Jason Faulder, Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees

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Tucker Berg, Member of the Board of Trustees