

LYON TOWNSHIP SPECIAL MEETING MINTUES
MAY 13, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 9:15.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Members present: Nellist, Williams, Schnell, Tomak, Carlson

Motion by Williams, supported by Schnell, to accept the agenda as prepared.

Tomak stated she wanted to postpone approving the minutes until the May 20, 2020 Board Meeting. Nellist explained that some of the minutes listed dated back to January, and stated that they needed to be approved. He said that a motion could be made to adjust minutes at a later date if needed.

There was a discussion on American Waste and Republic Services. Nellist stated that the difference between the two is a matter of service versus cost. Williams said that American was quite a bit more at \$64,440 a year, but that customers want their trash picked up and were not as concerned about cost. Williams went on to say that trash costs can go up 10% a year, and that the final cost at the end of the five-year contract would be \$180 a year per household. Carlson stated that going with American would take money from other things. Nellist pointed out that they would be voting on the cost of service. Williams felt service was important and said that taking care of problem areas in the township was needed. Schnell questioned Republic and American about curbside pickup. Both stated that curbside pickup was an option. Tomak wanted to know why Republic could not do curbside pickup before now.

Motion by Nellist, supported by Williams, to hire American as Lyon Township's Solid Waste Company.

Roll Call: Nellist, Yes-Williams, Yes-Schnell-Yes, Tomak-No, Carlson-No. Motion passed.

Williams wanted to know what day American would pick up garbage, and Fancon replied Monday and Tuesday.

Dave Hall asked about liability of tubs. Both Republic and American responded that there is no liability for tubs. Hall also wanted to know about automatic increases. Williams informed him that trash can legally be increased by ten percent each year but also stated that the change in trash companies was not about the money. It was about giving the people of the township service.

Motion by Williams, supported by Nellist, to accept the minutes of the January 8, Work Session, January 21, 2020 Budget Meeting, February 12, 2020 Work Session, February 18, 2020 Budget Meeting, February 24, 2020 Special Meeting, February 25, 2020 Budget Meeting, March 25,

2020 Board Meeting, April 8, 2020 Special Meeting, April 23, 2020 Work Session, and April 30, 2020 Special Meeting.

Yeas: 4. Nays: 1. Motion passed.

Motion by Williams, supported by Schnell, to hire Jonathan Hirsch for part-time work in the Maintenance Department. All yeas. Motion passed.

Schnell stated that pay for the part-time position is listed at \$10.65 an hour.

Motion by Williams, supported by Nellist, to hire Courtney Hoeltzel to replace Lenette Tomak while she is on leave. All yeas. Nays: 0. Motion passed.

Nellist stated that pay for this position is listed at \$11.00 an hour.

Tracy Turner gave a report on upcoming road projects for Lyon Township.

Eva Lane-Paving

Morristown Road-Gravel and crown the road

Evergreen Park-Gravel, ditches.

Improvement Costs:

Eva Lane	39,442.00
Morristown Road	80,312.00
Evergreen Subdivision	<u>49,086.00</u>
Total	168,820.00
Less Road Commission Allocation	<u>94,597.74</u>
Total Township Cost	74,222.26

Motion by Nellist, supported by, Carlson to approve \$74,226.26 for 2020/2021 road projects in Lyon township. All yeas. Motion Passed.

Board Comments:

Nellist-None

Schnell-Schnell voiced a concern about the compost and contractors filling up the compost site. It was suggested that a committee be set up to look at an increase of fees for contractors.

Schnell updated the Board on the sewer project. He stated that there is a need for public input and suggested a video with frequently asked questions might inform the public. He mentioned that forming a Utility Authority was also needed to move forward. He said if 20% of the people are opposed, they can appeal the special assessment and then it would go to a referendum vote.

Williams-None

Tomak-None

Carlson-None

Public Comments: Deny Daily wanted to know if the contractor issue was raised. He said that the compost may not be open in the fall due to the increase influx of leaves.

Motion by Schnell, supported by Carlson, to adjourn,

Meeting adjourned at 10:41.

Minutes prepared by the Deputy Supervisor, which are subject to approval and then will be posted to www.lyontownship.org.