

RUSHCREEK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
10/28/2016

Hart Van Horn, Chairman called the Rushcreek Township Trustees Board meeting to order at 8am leading with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those in attendance in addition to Hart were: Dave Myers, Trustee; Bill Myers, Trustee; Connie Moyer, Fiscal Officer; and Will Duvall, Fire Chief. Hart asked that all cell phones be muted along with all fire radios except the Chief's.

Visitors
None

Special Meeting Announcement

The following notice was sent to the Eagle Gazette and placed on the website on October 26th. *The Rushcreek Township Board of Trustees will hold a Special Meeting (pursuant to ORC 121.22 (F) on Friday, October 28, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. at the Township Hall, 213 Marietta St., Bremen, OH 43107. The purpose of this meeting will be to consider decisions for approval of the start-up of the firehouse renovation construction that will include bid package and contractor parameters, and the project management. An Executive Session will follow to consider the appointment and employment of a public employee (pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(1)).*

Business

Fire Chief Duvall reviewed recent work and discussion of the proposed fire department facility renovation construction. He briefly summarized the research and the objectives of the township's fire department building facility that will better serve the community ten-twenty years into the future with the ability to be self-sustaining during a local crisis. He also summarized the financial status of the fire department and the ability of the township to self-fund a renovation construction project without financing or seeking a tax levy increase with the preliminary estimation of the project of approximately \$400,000.00, Chief Duvall feels this money can be pooled for this project. The Chief advised that consideration was given to new construction verses renovation and strongly recommends the renovation. Due to the age and limitations of the infrastructure of the facility to meet these objectives and conditions, Trustee Van Horn made the following recommendations for Board approval:

Bill made a motion to renovate and construct the Bremen-Rushcreek Fire Department facility to upgrade and improve the building and it's infrastructure with construction to begin before the end of 2016. Hart seconded the motion. Discussion on the motion was held. Bill stated that years ago when the Capital Fund was set up consideration of another location was discussed. It was decided to maintain the fire department in a central location which would be located within the Village. Roll Call: Hart, aye; Bill, aye; Dave, aye.

Dave made a motion to approve a bid package to be prepared and published by Kelly Architects for the renovation and construction of the Bremen-Rushcreek Fire Department facility site including, but not limited to the proposed plans submitted by Mr. Pat Kelly (at the Regular Board Meeting) on October 19th. The package will include a request for General Contractor combined bids and/or individual contractor bids respective of the proposed work and services from each provider. Bill seconded the motion. Roll Call: Dave, aye; Bill, aye; Hart, aye.

Hart made a motion to create a job position and description for the employment of a Construction Project Manager for the renovation and construction of the Bremen-Rushcreek Fire Department facility site. The duration of the position will be temporary with responsibilities and duties determined by a contractual work agreement. Discussion was held. It was decided to have a job description write-up ready after bids are received a decision can be made without delaying the process any further. Dave seconded the motion. Roll Call: Hart, aye; Dave, aye; Bill, aye.

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At 8:51am, Bill made a motion to enter Executive Session under ORC 121.22(G)(1) to consider the appointment and employment of a public employee. Dave seconded the motion. Roll Call: Hart aye Dave, aye; Bill, aye. Dave requested that Chief Duvall be invited to attend. Executive Session Ended 9:06am.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:10am.



Handwritten signatures of David Myers, Paul Van der, and Bill Myers.