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LEONI TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES
March 21, 2019

The Leoni Township Board of Trustees held an Emergency Special Meeting Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 6:30 P. M. in the Leoni Township Hall, 913 Fifth St., Michigan Center, Michigan.

Call to Order 6:36 pm, Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Supervisor Howard Linnabary, Treasurer Patrick Clemente and Trustees Mike Villarreal, Kurt Cole, Nora Sharpe-McGee and Deputy Clerk Kerry Pickett

Members Absent: Jerry Cox

Approximately 50+ people in attendance

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comment Opened 6:37 pm

Public Comment Closed 6:45 pm

NEW BUSINESS

Kerry Pickett is appointed Interim Recording Secretary of the Board of Leoni Township by Supervisor Howard Linnabary (see attached)

Motion by Clemente Supported by McGee to Accept Resignation of Mark Carpenter

Roll call vote: 5 Yays, Linnabary, Clemente, McGee, Cole, Villarreal

0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion by Linnabary, Support by Villarreal to Appoint Kerry Pickett as Interim Clerk for Leoni Township at current Clerk pay level (approx. \$21.50/hr). (See attached)

Roll call vote: 5 Yays, Linnabary, Clemente, McGee, Cole, Villarreal

0 Nays **Motion Carried**

Motion by Villarreal, Support by McGee to rescind the previously passed motion of Dec. 11, 2018 meeting to move to 5 day work week to start April 1, 2019 and revert back to current 4 day work week with extended public hours of M, T, Th 7:30am – 5:00pm and Wed. 7:30am -7:00pm - due to lack of personnel and budget concerns

Roll call vote: 5 Yays, Linnabary, Pickett, Clemente, McGee, Villarreal

1 Nay, Cole **Motion Carried**

Joe Chamber's recommendation and discussion about a need for amending part time building clerk position to full time floating clerk with cross training to other departments for better coverage to all departments and best use of funds.

Motion by McGee, Support by Linnabary to amend approval of part time building clerk to a full time position that will cross train and will be able to float between Building Dept., Clerk Dept., Treasurer Dept., Supervisor, and DPW, as needed (but not limited to) at discretion of Supervisor with tracking of hours to be charged appropriately to department served.

Roll call vote: 5 Yays, Linnabary, Pickett, Clemente, McGee, Villarreal

1 Nay, Cole **Motion Carried**

Discussion as to the need for an Election Consultant due to the extreme urgent situation to prepare for the upcoming election

Motion by Linnabary, Support by Cole, to approve approximately \$3000 +/- budget spending as necessary for election consulting and training to prepare for upcoming election, at discretion of Supervisor. (See attached)

Roll call vote: 6 Yays, Linnabary, Pickett, Clemente, McGee, Cole, Villarreal.

0 nays **Motion Carried**

Discussion as to tremendous amount of unfinished election work left for new Clerk with offer of the other Officers and Trustees to step up and pitch in and help new Clerk Pickett with upcoming election preparation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment opened at 7:03 pm

Public comment closed at 7:03 pm

Meeting adjourned by Chair at 7:03 pm

Kerry Pickett, Clerk