

The Chester Township Board of Trustees met in special session **Wednesday, February 14, 2024** in the Town Hall Meeting Room at 8:00 A.M. Chairman Craig Richter presided. Trustee Radtke was appointed Clerk pro tem.

Roll Call: present – Trustee Richter, Trustee Radtke
absent – Trustee Mazzurco, Fiscal Officer Jarrett

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The Board led the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Leading Motion #: 2024-76

The Township hiring process including the interview process and the background check and the Foreman 2 position will be discussed in an executive session. It was suggested not advertising until there is an actual job description for the open position completed, reviewed and approved.

Moving to the Road Department, Mr. Onyshko the Road Superintendent said they do not have the ability to drain the refrigerant, store it properly and then reuse it. The Township needs an AC Recovery Unit to achieve this and meet EPA requirements.

2024-76. Mr. Richter moved to approve the use of BC using BC 87-2024 in account number 2031-330-323-0075 Repairs and Maintenance for AutoZone to purchase an AC Recovery System in the amount of \$2,000.00.

Mr. Radtke seconded.

Mr. Richter, yes; Mr. Mazzurco, absent; Mr. Radtke, yes. Motion passed.

2024-77. Mr. Richter moved to approve a PO for Dover Hydraulics to purchase a new hydraulic pump for truck 15 plow using account number 2031-330-323-0075 Repairs and Maintenance.

Mr. Radtke seconded.

Mr. Richter, yes; Mr. Mazzurco, absent; Mr. Radtke, yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Onyshko said they are looking to purchase a used bucket truck for approximately \$16,000.00. Last year the motion was canceled approving up to \$20,000.00 for a bucket truck. If a bucket truck is located, a motion can be placed on the agenda for the next meeting. Alternatively, the Board can provide the Road Superintendent the authority to acquire a suitable vehicle.

2024-78. Mr. Richter moved to approve the Road Department Supervisor and Mechanic to purchase a bucket truck with an expense up to \$20,000.00. This expires at the end of 2024.

Mr. Radtke seconded.

Mr. Richter, yes; Mr. Mazzurco, absent; Mr. Radtke, yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Purchase, Township Administrator said that Trustee Mazzurco is in favor of selling the Gradall. He would like to hold off on making a purchase of an excavator, although would be in favor of renting one for a couple of months. This would give the Township time to see how often it is used and if it is worth the purchase. Mr. Purchase said it was Mr. Mazzurco's suggestion to minimize spending. Mr. Onyshko

said it is about \$3,000.00 a week to rent. Discussion continued over renting, buying used and purchasing new. It was determined to obtain some pricing and continue the discussion at the next meeting.

2024-79. Mr. Richter moved to approve to enter into executive session at 8:18 A.M. pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G) (1) to consider the appointment, employment, or compensation of public employees.

Mr. Radtke seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Richter, yes; Mr. Mazzurco, absent; Mr. Radtke, yes. Motion passed.

Invited into the executive session is Road Superintendent John Onyshko and Township Administrator Mark Purchase. The Board reentered public session at 9:12 A.M. No motions came out of executive session.

2024-80. Mr. Richter moved to approve per O.R.C. 505.10 (A)(7) the sale of the Road Department's Gradall #1 offered for public sale on Govdeals.com or alternative advertising websites, etc. with reserve pricing to be set by the Road Department Supervisor.

Mr. Radtke seconded.

Mr. Richter, yes; Mr. Mazzurco, absent; Mr. Radtke, yes. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Board, Mr. Richter adjourned the meeting at 9:14 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

absent
Patricia Jarrett, Fiscal Officer

March 7, 2024 – motion # 2024-97
Approval Date

Craig Richter, Chairman

absent
Joseph C. Mazzurco, Vice-Chairman

Ken Radtke, Jr., Trustee