
BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Anthony Bartolotta, Supervisor
Kim Markee, Clerk
Steve Thomas, Treasurer
Jeff Gilbert, Trustee
Sam Harris, Trustee
Marie E. Hauswirth, Trustee
Gary Wall, Trustee

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:

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| Joellen Shortley | Mark Simlar | Alison Swanson |
| Robin McGregor | Matthew Nye | Robert Stempien |
| Shelly Schloss | Jan Feldman | Bill Best |

Supervisor Bartolotta opened the meeting by asking the Trustees for their input for the construction managers and architects that will be voted on at the 6:00 p.m. meeting. There were two great choices for each, which are Frank Rewold and Sons (FRS) and Clark Construction for the Construction Managers, and ISD and Neumann-Smith for the Architects/Engineers. Clerk Markee stated that she called Neumann-Smith and asked why they provided 3.5% for their standard of care when ISD provided 1.75%, and according to Robert, the lower the number, the better for the Township. Robert also said that we have negotiating capability since we have numerous bids to select from. Neumann-Smith said to Clerk Markee that they would match ISD's number at 1.75% and mentioned to Attorney Shortley that we should include the lower number in our contract if they are selected. Also, the added-on reimbursements need to be kept low, at less than \$5,000, as TMP provided in their quote. Trustee Hauswirth asked about the additional fee for designing the kitchen that was mentioned in the Neumann-Smith proposal, and Robert said we need to ensure that this is not in the contract, because it should be included in the overall proposal, like the other proposals. Trustee Hauswirth also liked FRS as the construction manager. They have one overall Manager, whereas Clark had two different managers. Trustee Harris said they are all good companies; however, he confirmed that he is an uncle to Sarah Cichowski, who works for Neumann/Smith. Trustee Harris said she is a distant relative and plans to vote this evening because he rarely sees her, and she is not an immediate family member. He also said that he was not involved in the selection of either of these final companies for the architect and construction manager. Trustee Gilbert mentioned he was concerned about an additional 10% fixed fee amount, and Robert said that there is a retainer in place, and we will not include this 10% in the contract. Trustee Gilbert also said he liked that FRS had a 79% repeat business percentage compared to Clark's 70% repeat business percentage. He also thought Lindsey, who lives in Waterford, would be an excellent proponent for Waterford, therefore, he liked Neumann/Smith. They seemed to have an overall knowledge of OCC. Treasurer Thomas said he is familiar with all firms, and any of them would be good. Trustee Wall had concerns about the double bonding, and Robert answered his questions.

Supervisor Bartolotta provided an overview of Fire Station 2 to all Trustees. He said it is in bad shape, and it has been talked about for years to build a new station. He and several others, including Representative Mike Harris, Representative Brenda Carter, and Commissioner Karen Joliat, regarding station 2, requested that John Lyman write an appropriation request for \$10 million, asking for assistance from the State. Clerk Markee wrote a proclamation for all trustees to sign, and will provide it to John Lyman to include in the appropriation request. Chief Nye addressed the Board's questions and, to put it frankly, he wonders, "How much lipstick do you put on a pig? He is also working on additional grants from other organizations to help with the cost. Trustee Gilbert said the sewer line could be relocated at the current site, and it's possible to rebuild there. Chief Nye said we already own another property that we traded with the school, and it did not cost us anything to acquire, so we plan to build it there. Trustee Wall said, "In 2015, the quote to build a new building was approximately \$4.8 million, and now the cost is over \$11 million, so it is not getting any less to build". All Trustees agreed that we would not propose this to the taxpayers, and we have to find a different way to get funds elsewhere to pay for it. Trustee Harris said SEMCOG may help, and he will reach out to them. **He did not know about this until last week.**

Trustee Hauswirth said she would like to see some of the opioid funds be used for the Waterford Community Coalition to fight drugs (the new Heather Hall's organization). Attorney Shortley said the funds can only be used for specific things according to the settlement.

Trustee Gilbert said that Priority Waste is sending out different letters to residents, and calling Priority is a problem because they do not answer the phone. Supervisor Bartolotta said he has formed a group to start putting together a bid proposal for a new waste hauler. **Trustee Harris said he knows the owner of Priority Waste and has requested to be removed from all items, including the team that is working on the bid proposal request for a new waste hauler.**

Resident Robin McGregor suggested we reach out to Jeremy Moss to help with funding for the new Fire Station since it is in his district, and Chief Nye said he would.

Supervisor Bartolotta asked all the Trustees how they would like the work session meeting to look like in the future, and how often we need them. Most Trustees responded as necessary, and Clerk Markee would like the meetings to be held as they were on the last Monday of the month to keep a placeholder on the agenda so we can refrain from adding meetings at the last minute. It's easier to cancel than to add them. **Trustee Harris said he would like to continue the work session meeting minutes, hold them in the auditorium, and videotape them.**

Meeting Adjourned at 5:45 p.m.