

Record of Proceedings
Minutes of the Carlisle Township Board of Trustees
Special Meeting
August 14, 2017

The Carlisle Township Board of Trustees met on August 14, 2017 at 8:00 AM. In attendance: Trustee James Wright, Trustee Berry Taylor, Trustee Jared Smith, Fiscal Officer Kimberly Fallon, Administrative Assistant / Zoning Inspector William Oliver, Acting Road Superintendent Paul Sniezek, and road department employees.

Acting Road Superintendent Sniezek brought forth a used road side mower for approval to purchase. He stated that it does have some repairs that will need to be done, such as a small oil leak and a couple of tires. He stated that a new mower would cost approximately \$140,000. The asking price of the used 1994mower is \$7,500. He stated it has a small oil leak and will probably need a tire or two. He is expecting repairs of \$2,500. Fallon stated that Mr. Sniezek had stated earlier that the actual road side mower does not work; he confirmed that it does not. Trustee Taylor questioned what was wrong with the current mower. Mr. Sniezek stated that it has overheated one too many times, but it still runs and it is leaking oil.

Trustee Wright stated that he believes it would be worth it. He stated that paying 10% of the cost of a new mower would result in some repairs being needed. Trustee Taylor questioned if the engine on the current mower is repairable. Trustee Wright stated it is repairable, but not in a timely fashion. He believes that at the convenience of the road department, they can repair the engine in the older mower and we would have the other one as a spare. The cost to purchase a rebuilt motor is \$3,995. Mr. Sniezek stated that the Township would have to absorb the core charge of \$1,900 if the rebuilt motor was not the issue. Trustee Smith questioned how much time is in the season for road side mowing. It was stated that there is one more big mower for winter snow. Mr. Sniezek stated that sweeper is used on the mower for chip and sealing. Trustee Taylor stated that the proposed mower looks really bad. Mr. Sniezek stated it runs really good. The rear mower was heard, but not the side mower. Fallon questioned if the air conditioner worked. Mr. Sniezek stated no, but it might just need recharged, they aren't sure. It was stated that it could be a compressor, but they do not know what is wrong with it. She stated that the cost to repair and replace would go well over the \$2,500 initially stated, and that they are up to the cost of a rebuilt motor for the old mower. She suggested to continue to borrow from Elyria Township under the mutual help agreement between the Townships since Elyria uses our equipment for chip and sealing. She stated that whether the one mower is purchased or not, the Township is still without a mower because both of them need to be worked on. She questioned what the point would be to jump on this one that requires so much work and why can't they just finish off the season and look for a better one over the winter.


Trustee Taylor questioned if the recently purchased pot hole filler was working yet; he doesn't want to keep buying equipment and having to keep fixing them. Mr. Sniezek stated the pot hole filler is close to being run. Hoses that were dry rotted have to be replaced, and the new replacement hoses are all laid out. He stated that they are trying to get caught up with mowing and trimming because the rain never stopped falling, so that they haven't had the time to work on it. Road repairs are supposed to start tomorrow. The road department had to modify one of the gates on the truck. Trustee Taylor questioned if govdeals.com had been checked for any other mowers. Mr. Sniezek stated that he didn't have anything printed out. Fallon stated that she looked on govdeals.com and publicsurplus.com and


there weren't any listed. Mr. Sniezek stated he is waiting on a quote from a local dealer. Trustee Wright believes that purchasing this tractor would still put the Township ahead of the game if it lasted five years. He doesn't believe the Township should be rushing out to buy another piece of used equipment; other avenues have not been investigated enough yet. Trustee Taylor questioned how much money the road department has in order to purchase equipment. Fallon stated \$60,000. Mr. Sniezek stated that the road department has other needs also, and agreed that this purchase is not considered a long term solution. He stated that he is looking at a mini-excavator, which is high on his list. Fallon reminded him that most of the cost of that would be paid for by the Workers Compensation Grant that they discussed last week. He went on to state that the one-ton truck is on its last leg. Fallon stated that she would like to see a replacement schedule. He then stated that this proposed mower does not need as much work as it is being made out. He believes the Township would get its money back for repairs.


Trustee Wright motioned to approve the purchase of the mower, Trustee Smith seconded; roll call: Trustee Wright, aye; Trustee Smith nae; and Trustee Taylor, nae; motion approval denied.

Adjournment


There being no further business to come before the Board, motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Wright, seconded by Trustee Smith, roll call: all ayes, meeting adjourned at 8:22AM.



Trustee James Wright


Trustee Jared Smith


Trustee Berry Taylor

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Attested: Kimberly Fallon, Fiscal Officer


Date

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