Minutes of Concord Township Board of Trustees Meeting

Held on July 19, 2023

This meeting was held via YouTube Live Streaming and Facebook Live. See transcripts for more details.

The Concord Township Board of Trustees met for a Regular meeting on July 19, 2023, 7:30 pm, in Town Hall, located at 7229 Ravenna Road. Chairperson Morgan R. McIntosh called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees present were Morgan R. McIntosh, Carl Dondorfer and Amy L. Lucci.

RIVERSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATE Mr. Gary Platko, Treasurer/CFO, provided a financial update on the Riverside School District.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

July 5, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. Mrs. Lucci moved to approve the July 5, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes as written. Mr. Dondorfer seconded. Vote 3 ayes.

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORT:

A. FISCAL OFFICER - James W. Teknipp

Mr. Teknipp was absent from the meeting.

B. TRUSTEES

Mrs. Lucci, Mr. Dondorfer and Mr. McIntosh discussed Concord Township business since the last meeting.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

A. ADMINISTRATION DEPT. - Andy Rose, Administrator

Andy Rose, Administrator, covered issues pertaining to the general business of the Township.

AUDIENCE:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. McIntosh read a memorandum prepared by James Teknipp on July 13, 2023 regarding the Safety Services Levy. The Trustees then had a discussion on the Safety Services Levy Resolutions and the need to maintain revenue to support safety forces.

A. RES. 2023-10, DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A 6.3 MILL ADDITIONAL REPLACEMENT TAX LEVY OF FIVE (5) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SUFFICIENT FUNDING FOR POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES. Mr. Dondorfer moved to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-10

A RESOLUTION BY THE CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
LAKE COUNTY, OHIO, DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A 6.3 MILL ADDITIONAL
REPLACEMENT TAX LEVY OF FIVE (5) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING
SUFFICIENT FUNDING FOR POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL
SERVICES AND PROTECTION FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CONCORD, AND REQUESTING THAT
THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR CERTIFY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF
CONCORD TOWNSHIP AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE
GENERATED BY THAT TAX LEVY.

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be required within the ten (10.0) mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements for Concord Township, Lake County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, a resolution declaring the necessity of levying an additional replacement levy tax of five (5) years under R.C. 5705.19 (I), R.C. 5705.19 (J) and 505.43, and R.C. 5705.19 (U), respectively, outside the ten (10.0) mill limitation must be passed and certified to the County Auditor of Lake County in order to permit the Board of Trustees to consider the levy of such a tax and must request that the County Auditor certify to the Board of Trustees the total current tax valuation of Concord Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the proposed 6.3 mill tax levy; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.C. 5705.03 (B), upon receipt of a certified copy of a resolution by this Board declaring the necessity of the tax, stating its purpose, whether it is an additional levy or a renewal or a replacement of an existing tax, and the sections of the Ohio Revised Code authorizing its submission to the

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electors, and requesting such certification, the County Auditor is to certify the total current tax valuation of the Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the proposed tax levy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Concord Township Board of Trustees, Lake County, Ohio, a majority of members concurring, that it is necessary to levy an additional replacement five (5) year tax levy of 6.3 mill in excess of the ten (10.0) mill limitation for the benefit of Concord Township for the purposes of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites therefore, or sources of water supply and materials therefore or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent, part-time, or volunteer fire-fighting personnel or companies to operate the same, including the payment of the firefighters employer's contribution required under R.C. 742.34, or the purchase of ambulance equipment, or the provision of ambulance, paramedic or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or fire-fighting company, all as pursuant to R.C. 5705.19(I); for the purpose of the payment of the costs incurred by the Township as a result of contracts made with other political subdivisions in order to obtain police protection, or the provision of ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, all as pursuant to R.C. 5705.19 (J), and R.C. 505.43, respectively; and for providing ambulance service, emergency medical service, or both, all as pursuant to R.C. 5705.19 (U); and at a rate not to exceed 6.3 mill for each dollar of valuation, which amounts to sixty three cents (\$.63) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation, commencing with the tax year 2023, for collection commencing in 2024 in compliance with R.C. 5705.34 if a majority of electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the question of such tax levy shall be submitted to the electors of Concord Township at the general election to be held therein on November 7, 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk is hereby directed to certify a copy of the Resolution to the County Auditor and Board of Elections, Lake County, Ohio. The Board of Trustees hereby request that the County Auditor certify to this Board of Trustees the total current tax valuation of Concord Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the additional 6.3 mill tax levy if approved by the electors.

Mrs. Lucci seconded. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Dondorfer – yes; Mrs. Lucci – yes; Mr. McIntosh – yes.

B. RES. 2023-11, DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A 6.5 MILL ADDITIONAL REPLACEMENT TAX LEVY OF FIVE (5) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SUFFICIENT FUNDING FOR POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES. Mrs. Lucci moved to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-11

A RESOLUTION BY THE CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES, LAKE COUNTY, OHIO, DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A 6.5 MILL ADDITIONAL REPLACEMENT TAX LEVY OF FIVE (5) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SUFFICIENT FUNDING FOR POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND PROTECTION FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CONCORD, AND REQUESTING THAT THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR CERTIFY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF CONCORD TOWNSHIP AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY THAT TAX LEVY.

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be required within the ten (10.0) mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements for Concord Township, Lake County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, a resolution declaring the necessity of levying an additional replacement levy tax of five (5) years under R.C. 5705.19 (I), R.C. 5705.19 (J) and 505.43, and R.C. 5705.19 (U), respectively, outside the ten (10.0) mill limitation must be passed and certified to the County Auditor of Lake County in order to permit the Board of Trustees to consider the levy of such a tax and must request that the County Auditor certify to the Board of Trustees the total current tax valuation of Concord Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the proposed 6.5 mill tax levy; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.C. 5705.03 (B), upon receipt of a certified copy of a resolution by this Board declaring the necessity of the tax, stating its purpose, whether it is an additional levy or a renewal or a replacement of an existing tax, and the sections of the Ohio Revised Code authorizing its submission to the electors, and requesting such certification, the County Auditor is to certify the total current tax valuation of the Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the proposed tax levy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Concord Township Board of Trustees, Lake County, Ohio, a majority of members concurring, that it is necessary to levy an additional replacement five (5) year tax

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levy of 6.5 mill in excess of the ten (10.0) mill limitation for the benefit of Concord Township for the purposes of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites therefore, or sources of water supply and materials therefore or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent, part-time, or volunteer fire-fighting personnel or companies to operate the same, including the payment of the firefighters employer's contribution required under R.C. 742.34, or the purchase of ambulance equipment, or the provision of ambulance, paramedic or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or fire-fighting company, all as pursuant to R.C. 5705.19(I); for the purpose of the payment of the costs incurred by the Township as a result of contracts made with other political

subdivisions in order to obtain police protection, or the provision of ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, all as pursuant to R.C. 5705.19 (J), and R.C. 505.43, respectively; and for providing ambulance service, emergency medical service, or both, all as pursuant to R.C. 5705.19 (U); and at a rate not to exceed 6.5 mill for each dollar of valuation, which amounts to sixty five cents (\$.65) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation, commencing with the tax year 2023, for collection commencing in 2024 in compliance with R.C. 5705.34 if a majority of electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the question of such tax levy shall be submitted to the electors of Concord Township at the general election to be held therein on November 7, 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk is hereby directed to certify a copy of the Resolution to the County Auditor and Board of Elections, Lake County, Ohio. The Board of Trustees hereby request that the County Auditor certify to this Board of Trustees the total current tax valuation of Concord Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the additional 6.5 mill tax levy if approved by the electors.

Mr. Dondorfer seconded. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Dondorfer - yes; Mrs. Lucci - yes; Mr. McIntosh - yes.

C. RES. 2023-12, DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A 7.0 MILL ADDITIONAL REPLACEMENT TAX LEVY OF FIVE (5) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SUFFICIENT FUNDING FOR POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES. Mr. Dondorfer moved to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-12

A RESOLUTION BY THE CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
LAKE COUNTY, OHIO, DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A 7.0 MILL ADDITIONAL
REPLACEMENT TAX LEVY OF FIVE (5) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING
SUFFICIENT FUNDING FOR POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL
SERVICES AND PROTECTION FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CONCORD, AND REQUESTING THAT
THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR CERTIFY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF
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WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be required within the ten (10.0) mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements for Concord Township, Lake County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, a resolution declaring the necessity of levying an additional replacement levy tax of five (5) years under R.C. 5705.19 (I), R.C. 5705.19 (J) and 505.43, and R.C. 5705.19 (U), respectively, outside the ten (10.0) mill limitation must be passed and certified to the County Auditor of Lake County in order to permit the Board of Trustees to consider the levy of such a tax and must request that the County Auditor certify to the Board of Trustees the total current tax valuation of Concord Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the proposed 7.0 mill tax levy; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.C. 5705.03 (B), upon receipt of a certified copy of a resolution by this Board declaring the necessity of the tax, stating its purpose, whether it is an additional levy or a renewal or a replacement of an existing tax, and the sections of the Ohio Revised Code authorizing its submission to the electors, and requesting such certification, the County Auditor is to certify the total current tax valuation of the Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the proposed tax levy;

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purpose of the payment of the costs incurred by the Township as a result of contracts made with other political subdivisions in order to obtain police protection, or the provision of ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, all as pursuant to R.C. 5705.19 (J), and R.C. 505.43, respectively; and for providing ambulance service, emergency medical service, or both, all as pursuant to R.C. 5705.19 (U); and at a rate not to exceed 7.0 mill for each dollar of valuation, which amounts to seventy cents (\$.70) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation, commencing with the tax year 2023, for collection commencing in 2024 in compliance with R.C. 5705.34 if a majority of electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the question of such tax levy shall be submitted to the electors of Concord Township at the general election to be held therein on November 7, 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk is hereby directed to certify a copy of the Resolution to the County Auditor and Board of Elections, Lake County, Ohio. The Board of Trustees hereby request that the County Auditor certify to this Board of Trustees the total current tax valuation of Concord Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the additional seven (7.0) mill tax levy if approved by the electors.

Mrs. Lucci seconded. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Dondorfer – yes; Mrs. Lucci – yes; Mr. McIntosh – yes.

- D. PO TO LCDU IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,211.00 FOR SANITARY CAPACITY FEE AT COMMUNITY CENTER. Mrs. Lucci moved to approve PO to LCDU in the amount of \$18,211.00 for sanitary capacity fee at Community Center. Mr. Dondorfer seconded. Vote 3 ayes.
- E. FD APPROVE PROMOTION OF NICHOLAS LIGHT TO THE POSITION OF PART-TIME FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC EFFECTIVE JULY 5, 2023. Mr. Dondorfer moved to approve Fire Dept. promotion of Nicholas Light to the position of Part-time Firefighter/Paramedic effective July 5, 2023. Mrs. Lucci seconded. Vote 3 ayes.
- F. PO TO SUN RENTAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,560.16 FOR BALANCE DUE ON TENT RENTAL FOR COMMUNITY DAY 2023. Mrs. Lucci moved to approve PO to Sun Rental in the amount of \$5,560.16 for balance due on tent rental for Community Day 2023. Mr. Dondorfer seconded. Vote 3 ayes.
- G. FUTURE MEETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

7/31	3:00 PM	STAFF MEETING / Town Hall
8/1	7:00 PM	ZONING COMMISSION / Town Hall
8/2	6:30-7:30 PM 7:30 PM	TRUSTEE OFFICE HOURS / Conference Room TRUSTEE MEETING / Town Hall

H. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PURPOSES OF DISCUSSING A PERSONNEL MATTER PERTAINING TO EMPLOYMENT PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE 121.22 (G) (1). At 8:10 pm, Mr. Dondorfer moved to enter into Executive Session for purposes of discussing a personnel matter pertaining to employment pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G) (1). Mrs. Lucci seconded. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Dondorfer – yes; Mrs. Lucci – yes; Mr. McIntosh – yes. At 8:59 pm, Mr. Dondorfer moved to exit out of Executive Session. Mrs. Lucci seconded. Vote 3 ayes.

Upon proper motion the meeting was adjourned.

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Morgan R. McIntosh, Chairperson

Andy Rose, Board Secretary Pro Tempore