

**SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MARCH 23, 2023**

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The Springfield Township Board of Trustees held a regular meeting on Thursday, March 23, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Springfield Township Town Hall, 2459 Canfield Road, Akron, Ohio 44312.

The meeting was called to order by Dean Young.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

LeeAnne Jascoe, Administrative Assistant, called the roll. Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman (here); Mr. Young (here); Mr. DiLauro (here). Mr. Spickard(Absent)

**MOTIONS**

**POLICE 064-23** Dean Young: I move to approve the hiring of part-time police officer Jared Lawrence effective 3/27/23  
Seconded by Kellie Chapman  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young ( yes ); Mr. DiLauro ( yes )

**POLICE 065-23** Dean Young: I move to approve the hiring of part-time police officer Cory Dorsey effective 3/27/23.  
Seconded by Kellie Chapman  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young ( yes ); Mr. DiLauro ( yes )

**Swearing in ceremony and refreshments for Jared Lawrence and Cory Dorsey.  
The Board went into recess.**

**ADM 066-23** Joe DiLauro: I move to dispense with reading of the minutes and approve the minutes to date.  
Seconded by Dean Young  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young ( yes ); Mr. DiLauro ( yes )

**ADM 067-23** **Joe DiLauro:** I move to approve payment of bills and payroll as prepared by the fiscal officer, subject to audit.  
Seconded by Dean Young  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young ( yes ); Mr. DiLauro ( yes )

**ADM 068-23** **Joe DiLauro:** I move to acknowledge receipt of the Fiscal Officer's February 2023 Reports, subject to audit.  
Seconded by Kellie Chapman  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young ( yes ); Mr. DiLauro ( yes )

**ADM 069-23** **Joe DiLauro:** I move to approve payment to Sedgwick in the amount of \$6,970.00 and paid from fund line 1000-110-230 \$1,045.50, fund line 2031-330-230 \$627.30, fund line 2081-210-230 \$2,300.10, and fund line 2111-230-230 \$2,997.10. This is for our third-party administration services for workers' compensation.

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Seconded by Dean Young  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young ( yes ); Mr. DiLauro ( yes )

**ADM 070-23** Joe DiLauro: I move to approve the Quotation for a SolarRaft from Hydro-Bioscience in the amount not to exceed \$3,496.50 and paid from fund line 1000-610-500  
Seconded by Kellie Chapman  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young (yes ); Mr. DiLauro ( yes )

**ADM 071-23** Joe DiLauro: I move to amend motion 328-22 to reflect the proper hourly rate for Keith Fox from \$22.50 to \$20.50 per hour due to typographical error.  
Seconded by Kellie Chapman  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young ( yes ); Mr. DiLauro ( yes )

**ZONING 072-23** Joe DiLauro: I move to approve the application from Richard Nagle of 1026 Seneca Trail for the Adopt-A-Lot Program, Adopting Parcels 51-10787,51-04947, and 51-04948.  
Seconded by Kellie Chapman  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman (yes ); Mr. Young ( yes ); Mr. DiLauro (yes )

**POLICE 073-23** Kellie Chapman: I move to approve the payment to South Summit Council of Governments in the amount of \$80,080.00 for the Second quarter dispatching fees for 2023 and to be split between fund 2081-210-360-1017 \$49,569.52 and fund 2281-230-360-1017 \$30,510.480.  
Seconded by Joe DiLauro  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young (yes ); Mr. DiLauro (yes )

**POLICE 074-23** Kellie Chapman: I move to approve the purchase of Lexipol Annual Law Enforcement Policy Manual in the amount of \$9,224.50 and Law Enforcement Full Implementation in the amount of \$11,939.10 for a total of \$21,163.60 from Lexipol and paid from line #2221-210-430-0000.  
Seconded by Joe DiLauro  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young (yes ); Mr. DiLauro ( yes )

**POLICE 075-23** Kellie Chapman I move to approve the purchase of Professional Services and Computer Aided Dispatching Software, per the attached resolution, in the amount not to exceed \$118,504.00 and paid to the Summit County Fiscal Officer from fund line 2274-490-360-0000.  
Seconded by Joe DiLauro  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young ( yes ); Mr. DiLauro ( yes )

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**POLICE 076-23** Kellie Chapman: I move to approve the quotation for Tyler Technologies for Data Archiving in the amount of \$26,000.00 and paid from fund 1000-930-930 and submitted to the Summit County Fiscal Officer for payment.  
Seconded by Joe DiLauro  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young (yes ); Mr. DiLauro (yes )

Dean Young: Will there be a refund from the current Dispatch service that will be replacing the funds used for this expenditure?

Ted Weinsheimer: Yes, the refund is approximately 20,000 and will be placed back in the general fund that then will need to be reappropriated for future expenditures.

**FIRE 077-23** Kellie Chapman: I move to authorize the Fire Chief to obtain financing through Huntington Bank or other financial entity through a five year lease arrangement, to purchase updated Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), including five packs, bottles, compressor and fill station for a sum not exceeding \$155,000  
Seconded by Joe DiLauro  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman ( yes ); Mr. Young (yes ); Mr. DiLauro (yes )

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Karen Evans of Ripley Ave. inquired about Roper Boxes/Knox Boxes from the fire department for emergency. Kellie Chapman will have Captain Simich contact her to get one.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Kellie Chapman welcomed Police Chief Simone's wife Melissa joining us tonight. Kellie also announced and congratulated Ofc Shawn Brady on the birth of his daughter and gave a moving tribute to Retired Springfield Firefighter Bob Dudley who passed away this week, offering condolences to his family and friends.

Joe DiLauro announced that tonight's meeting was the first live broadcast on Spectrum channel 1023. YouTube streaming, and current events available for viewing.

**ADM 078-23** **Dean Young:** I move to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing Legal Issues, pending litigation. Session to include the Board of Township Trustees, its Administrative Assistant and other department heads when called upon by the Board.  
Seconded by Kellie Chapman  
Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman (yes ); Mr. Young (yes ); Mr. DiLauro (yes )

Dean Young: No motions are anticipated following the Executive Session.

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The Board went into Executive Session.

The regular meeting resumed.

**ADM 079-23**

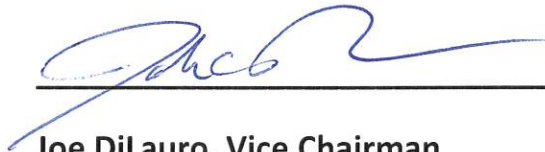
Dean Young: I move to adjourn. Seconded by Joe DiLauro

Roll Call: Mrs. Chapman (yes ); Mr. Young (yes ); Mr. DiLauro (yes )



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**Dean Young, Chairman**



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**Joe DiLauro, Vice Chairman**



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**Kellie Chapman, Trustee**

Absent

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**Mike Spickard, Fiscal Officer**

Minutes prepared by  
LeeAnne Jascoe, Admin Asst.  
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**RESOLUTION NO.** 075-23  
*Authorizing Expenditure from American Rescue Plan Act Funds*

*Summit County, Ohio*

**Be It Resolved** *by the Township Trustees of Springfield Township*

**WHEREAS**, this date, March 23, 2023, Trustee Kellie Chapman moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Township has received a distribution of monies (the “ARPA Funds”) from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA” or the “Act”); and

**WHEREAS**, Congress passed the Act effective March 11, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 603 created the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund which, among other things, appropriated money to cities, nonentitlement units of local government, and counties to mitigate the fiscal effects stemming from the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease (Covid-19); and

**WHEREAS**, Section 603(c) generally provides that:

(1) USE OF FUNDS. Subject to paragraph (2), and except as provided in paragraphs (3) and (4), a metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county shall only use the funds provided under a payment made under this section to cover costs incurred by the metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county, by December 31, 2024 -

(A) to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;

(B) to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;

(C) for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county prior to the emergency; or

(D) to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

**WHEREAS**, Department of Treasury Final Rule, published on January 6, 2022, and effective April 1, 2022, provides in part that:

Treasury presumes that up to \$10 million in revenue has been lost due to the public health emergency and recipients are permitted to use that amount (not to exceed the award amount) to fund “government services.” [The “standard allowance”].

**WHEREAS**, the Rule further observes that:

The standard allowance provides an estimate of revenue loss that is based on an extensive analysis of average revenue loss across states and localities, and offers a simple, convenient way to determine revenue loss particularly for Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund’s smallest recipients. This change is intended to promote administrative efficiency and simplify revenue loss calculation for smaller recipients.

**WHEREAS**, the Rule further clarifies that recipients can use:

SLFRF funds on government services up to the revenue loss amount, whether that be the standard allowance amount or the amount calculated using the [Final Rule four-step process]. Government services generally include any service traditionally provided by a government, unless treasury has stated otherwise.

**WHEREAS**, some common examples of “government services” expressly recognized by Treasury are as follows:

- Road building and maintenance, and other infrastructure
- Health services
- General government administration, staff, and administrative facilities
- Environmental remediation
- Provision of police, fire, and other public safety services (including purchase of fire trucks and police vehicles)
- Maintenance or pay-go funded building infrastructure
- Modernization of cybersecurity, including hardware, software, and protection of critical infrastructure

**WHEREAS**, “Government services is [deemed by Treasury] the most flexible eligible use category under the SLFRF program, and funds are subject to streamlined reporting and compliance requirements;” and

**WHEREAS**, funds utilized pursuant to the standard revenue loss allowance continue to have certain restrictions, including:

- Deposit into pension funds
- Satisfaction of settlements or judgments
- Contributions to financial reserves or “rainy day” funds

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees has identified a project which, in the judgment of the Board, qualifies as a permitted use of the ARPA Funds, in direct support of governmental services, which consists of the following: **Professional Services and Computer Aided Dispatching Software for the Transition to South Summit Dispatching Center from Southwest Summit**

**Council of Governments dispatching center. This is dispatching services center for the Springfield Township Police and Fire departments.**  
(the "Project").

**NOW THEREFORE**, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board that:

1. The Township elected to use the standard allowance by way of **Resolution 035-22** and its presumption of revenue loss due to the public health emergency and to use the amount authorized herein to fund government services.

2. The Project is hereby authorized and shall be paid for from the ARPA (**2274-490-360-0000**) Funds in the amount of/an amount not to exceed: **\$118,504.00** and paid to **Summit County Fiscal Officer**.

3. The Project described herein serves the objectives of the Act by providing services traditionally provided by a government, namely:

- Police protection
  - Fire and emergency medical services
  - Road repair, maintenance and other transportation and safety services
  - Public infrastructure support
  - General government administration and administrative facilities
  - Land use regulations and enforcement
  - Parks and recreational facilities and programs
  - Other
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4. Accordingly, the Project is in the best interests of the Township and is deemed a priority for the community.

5. No obligations paid under the authority of this Resolution were incurred prior to March 3, 2021.

Trustee Joe DiLauro seconded the Motion, and thereupon, the votes in favor of this Resolution were recorded and reflected by the signatures hereto.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Township concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted

in an open meeting of the Township Trustees, and that all deliberations of the Township Trustees and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Adopted the 23rd day of March, 2023.

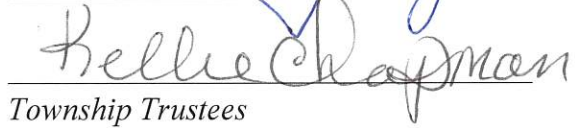
Joe DiLauro



Dean Young



Kellie Chapman

  
Township Trustees

Attest:   
Township Fiscal Officer  
Michael Spickard



