

The Chester Township Board of Trustees met in **special session on Thursday, February 13, 2025** in the Town Hall Meeting Room at **8:00 AM** Chairman Ken Radtke Jr. presided.

**Roll Call:** All Trustees and the Fiscal Officer were present.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

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

#### **Leading Motion #: 2025-48**

#### **Topics of Discussion**

##### **Police Department Business**

Police Chief Craig Young recapped the 2024 expenditures and the projections for 2025. Vehicle repairs and recalls have risen this past year for two of the Police Department 2020 vehicles.

##### **2025 Department Budget Review**

The Board of Trustees, the Fiscal Officer and Department Heads discussed appropriations and outlined each budget for 2025.

##### **Drive Pipe Replacement for Paving Project**

For the Pinewood-Woodland full road reconstruction, the Road Superintendent, John Onyshko will refer to the Watts Company to replace the 30-inch concrete pipe needed for Pinewood. A smaller pipe will be replaced on Woodland.

Residents on Pinewood and Woodland Roads received letters pertaining to their drive pipe replacement. The drive pipe replacement is essential to this project and will start as soon as the weather permits. Mr. Onyshko is asking for guidance if resistance of payment from the residents for the replacement drive pipes occurs.

##### **Perennial Gardeners**

No update at this time.

##### **Advertising for Summer Help at the Road Department**

The Road Superintendent is seeking approval from the Board of Trustees to advertise for a grounds seasonal worker(s) for the 2025 year.

**2025-48** Mr. Radtke moved to approve advertising in the Geauga Maple Leaf, Chesterland News, Indeed.com and on the Township website with applications due at Chester Town Hall by 4:00 PM on March 21, 2025 for a Grounds Seasonal Worker at a rate of \$20.00 - \$23.00/hour, contingent upon successfully passing a drug screen and background check. Mr. Mazzurco seconded. Vote unanimous; motion passed.

##### **Road Department Roof/Building Replacement - Grant Funding**

Mr. Mazzurco and Mr. Onyshko will build more information by contacting Cole Harbor who has constructed other government buildings and House of Representatives, David Joyce office regarding federal funding for the road department full building replacement.

**2025-49** Mr. Radtke moved to approve a PO for Cargill in the amount of \$ 59,150.00 using account number 2031-330-420-0401 Operating Supplies (Salt)  
Mr. Mazzurco seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Radtke, yes; Mr. Mazzurco, yes; Mr. Richter, yes. Motion passed.

**2025-50** Mr. Radtke moved to approve a PO for Sagamore in the amount of \$37,600.00 to purchase 500 tons of additional road salt using account number 2031-330-420-0401 Operating Supplies (Salt)  
Mr. Mazzurco seconded. Vote unanimous; motion passed.

**Approval of Financial Expenditures**

**Executive Session**

**2025-51** Mr. Radtke moved to enter into executive session at 11:13 AM pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G) (1) to consider compensation of a public employee(s), pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G) (2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes and pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G) (4) reviewing negotiations with public employee(s) concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.  
Mr. Mazzurco seconded. Roll call vote: Mr. Radtke, yes; Mr. Mazzurco, yes; Mr. Richter, yes. Motion passed.

Invited into the executive session is Township Administrator Mark Purchase and Fiscal Officer Patricia Jarrett.

Chief Craig Young via phone from 11:21 AM to 11:23 AM.

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The Board reentered public session at 11:58 AM

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the Board, Mr. Radtke adjourned the meeting at 11:59 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Patricia Jarrett, Fiscal Officer

3/6/25 Motion # 2025-73  
Approval Date

  
Ken Radtke, Jr., Chairman

  
Joseph C. Mazzurco, Vice-Chairman

  
Craig S. Richter, Trustee