

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Franklin Township

Regular Meeting

Held at 2193 Frank Road

November 2nd, 2017

Chairman Horn called the regular meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 P.M. November 2nd, 2017 at 2193 Frank Road.

Chairman Horn gave the welcome.

Pastor Womack led the township meeting in prayer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

ROLL CALL: Fleshman, yes, Horn, yes, Cook, yes

Chairman Horn made a motion to approve minutes for May 18th Regular meeting, August 29 Special Meeting, September 7th Special Meeting, September 7th Regular meeting, September 21st Regular meeting, October 19th Special meeting, October 19th regular meeting minutes.

Vice-Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Horn, yes, Cook, no. Cook had no comment on why he voted no.

Resident Speaker: Merrill Norris: spoke on work that was to be done on N. Hague Ave. that would cause multiple problems to his and his neighbors properties. He brought a diagram, and explained the issues he felt should be discussed further with Franklin County Engineers before any work is actually done. Mr. Stevens, Road Superintendent, said he would talk to F.C. Engineers tomorrow about this situation.

Trustee Fleshman moved for the adoption of the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 17-320

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves bills in the amount of \$6,129.99 and payroll in the amount of \$194,829.34, from checks 44524 to 44629.

Trustee Horn seconded the Resolution, the roll was called for its adoption and the vote was as follows: Horn (Y), Fleshman (Y), Cook (Y)

Trustee Horn moved for the adoption of the following Resolutions:

RESOLUTION 17-314

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves the Road Department to cut the grass and weeds at 3548 Plainview and to assess the cost to the property taxes.

RESOLUTION 17-315

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves the Road Superintendent to assess charges for demolition to the property taxes of 3255 Dover Rd.

RESOLUTION 17-316

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves the Road Superintendent to assess charges for demolition to the property taxes of 3519 Plainview Dr.

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RESOLUTION 17-317

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves the Road Superintendent to assess charges for demolition to the property taxes of 3698 Plainview Dr.

RESOLUTION 17-318

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves the Police Department to hire Tim Myers for a part time position as an Officer, pending background and physical.

RESOLUTION 17-319

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves the Police Department to hire Joe Sheridan for a part time position as an Officer, pending background and physical.

Trustee Fleshman seconded the Resolutions, the roll was called for its adoption and the vote was as follows: Horn (Y), Fleshman (Y), Cook (Y)

Police Department: Chief Byron Smith: gave “Life Saving Awards” to Officer’s Roger Myers, Holly Watts, and David Pollock for them doing C.P.R. and saving the lives of residents.

Road Department: Superintendent Jim Stevens: spoke on stop signs to be placed in the Brown Rd. and Harrisburg Pike areas to help cut down on the speeding in that area. It will have to be posted for 30 days before it will go into complete effect. Resolutions are to be typed up and presented at the next meeting for each intersection that stop signs are to be put up. This way, if in the future something needs to be changed, it can happen for just a single intersection instead of the entire area.

There were residents from that area at the meeting, who were asked their opinions about the stop signs. Everyone was in favor of them, wanting the speeding to stop.

Stevens: discussed a letter regarding Sanitary Sewer Engineers, stating the roads needed to be fixed/finished before winter.

Fire Department: Chief Adams: Spoke briefly on Health Insurance, and how Chief Welch would have more information at the Quarterly Meeting. Adams then spoke on SAFER Grant that he wrote in 2015, they received 1.4 million dollars that paid for 8 firefighters for a period of 2 years. That grant is over this Saturday. Adams has been working with FEMA, and received \$300,000.00 that will get them through April.

Building Department: Jessica Rice: requested the employees of the Township get the Friday after Thanksgiving off, trading the holiday of Veterans day with that Friday.

Horn made the motion, Fleshman seconded it. Vote was taken, all three trustees agreed.

Rice: went over the “National Clean Up Day”, and how it went very well. We will be looking into getting a 24hr drop box for medicine drop offs.

Rice mentioned closing the office for an hour for lunch and anything else that needs done at that time. Mr. Cook stated that if the office was closed down for lunch, it would have to remain open longer during the day. The discussion of closing the office for lunch was tabled.

There is a property that is in the bidding to be the accepted place to grow the medical marijuana.

1090 Frank Rd. A short discussion was had between the trustees about how we did not prohibit the medical marijuana being in Franklin Township earlier this year, therefore, it will be able to be grown and distributed from the Government chosen place here in the Township. Cook mentioned a list of Townships that have signed the prohibition, and stated he was against the medical marijuana being in

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the Township. Horn reiterated that it had nothing to do with recreational marijuana, and Fleshman stated it would bring in revenue into the Township.

Rice: went over options for trash dumpsters here at the Township. No decisions were made, and the topic was tabled until more options were available.

Rice: discussed printer options. We could get a refurbished color copier for \$900.00.

Trustee Fleshman moved for the adoption of the following Resolution

RESOLUTION 17-324

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to purchase a refurbished color copier, not to exceed \$1,000.00.

Trustee Horn seconded the Resolution, the roll was called for its adoption and the vote was as follows:

Horn (Y), Fleshman (Y), Cook (Y)

Trustee Horn: Spoke on Election Day being the following Tuesday.

Trustee Fleshman: made a motion for a resolution to take the line item from the Fiscal Office and place it in General Fund. It was advised by the attorneys to do this, per Fleshman. Horn mentioned that Cook had been for it for a while, and asked why he was against it now. Horn stated it was in the best interest of the Township.

Horn seconded it. Vote was taken; Fleshman yes, Horn yes, Cook no.

RESOLUTION 17-325

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to remove the line item from the Fiscal Department and put into the General Department.

Trustee Horn seconded the Resolution, the roll was called for its adoption and the vote was as follows:

Horn (Y), Fleshman (Y), Cook (N)

Fiscal Officer: Lisa Morris: stated that even if they take the line item, she can still hire whom she chooses, via the Ohio Revised Code. Fleshman stated that there were reasons for the Trustees to have something to do with the hiring of the Fiscal Officers Help, one being the concerns of the hiring of Lisa Morris' daughter.

Resident: Debbie Boyer: was concerned about how people will know that the trash contract is ending, and how to go about finding someone else for the trash pick-up. It was said that a letter should be sent out by the Township stating this information. Fleshman mentioned he believed Local Waste is responsible for this, and they said they were going to send out a letter.

Resident: Mike Blevins: asked if the not scheduling of the meeting that Nick Solus had requested, per Cook, had anything to do with taking the line item from Fiscal Office. Horn stated that it didn't. And that Solus was welcome to come any time he'd like to.

Blevins: spoke on concerns with residents getting a contract with a trash company, then the Township possibly getting a contract with a company, which contract will hold, and which option is best for the resident? Horn stated that the bids are in June/July for the following year. So, we won't have a contract until 2019, and that's if we decide to go with another contract.

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Resident: Robyn mentioned the “reason” the line item being taken was because Lisa hired her daughter. She asked if any departments had relatives working for them. Fleshman answered with, “I believe we do.”

Chairman Horn made a motion with no further business to discuss to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairman Fleshman seconded the motion. Vote taken: Fleshman, yes, Horn, yes, Cook, yes. The meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.

Ralph Horn, Chairman

John Fleshman, Vice-Chairman

Don Cook, Trustee

Lisa Morris, Fiscal Officer

Minutes Taken and Typed By: Erin Crome