

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

**Minutes of Franklin Township
Franklin County, Ohio**

Regular Meeting

Held at 2193 Frank Road

June 28, 2018

Chairman Horn called the Regular Meeting of the Franklin Township Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 p.m. on June 28, 2018, at 2193 Frank Road.

Chairman Horn gave the welcome.

Opening Prayer:

Pastor Snodgrass, Fire Department Chaplain, led the opening prayer.

Chairman Horn led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

Chairman Horn made a motion to approve the following meeting minutes. Fleshman seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

- 1. Special Executive Meeting for the Police Department on May 9, 2018*
- 2. Regular Meeting on May 17, 2018*
- 3. Special Executive Meeting discussing TIF on May 31, 2018*
- 4. Regular Meeting on May 31, 2018*
- 5. Special Budget Meeting on June 11, 2018,*
- 6. Special Meeting for potential Administrator position on June 13th, 2018*
- 7. Special Meeting with GATSO on June 14, 2018*
- 8. Regular Meeting on June 14, 2018*
- 9. Special Executive Meeting for the Police Department on June 20, 2018*

The following resolution was motioned by Fleshman. Alex seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

RESOLUTION 18-093

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves payroll for June 29, 2018 in the amount of \$158,461.58 and bills for June 29, 2018, in the amount of \$120,607.77 for a total of \$279,071.35 from check number 47018 to 47158.

The following resolution was motioned by Alex. Horn seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

RESOLUTION 18-092

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves for the Fiscal Officer to move \$10,000.00 from the general fund to the road/bridge line item to cover payroll and bills for the Road Department.

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Guest Speaker:

Albert J. Iosue, Program Administrator,
SWACO (Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio)

Mr. Iosue provided a Power-Point presentation on programs at SWACO including the various drop-box locations for recyclables in Franklin Township as well as other locations in Franklin County. He explained how each drop-box displays brightly colored instructions indicating specifically what recyclable items are acceptable. He emphasized that not all items which are marked recyclable are accepted at SWACO.

As he continued, Mr. Iosue explained how SWACO is joining forces with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office's (FCSO) Environmental Task Force. The joint efforts of the FCSO and SWACO are designed to educate, monitor and enforce illegal dumping and environmental hazards.

Mr. Iosue shared how a 24-hour hotline (614-871-5322) and a website (itsacrime.org) have been established to provide a link for members of the community to report littering and illegal dumping anonymously.

Police Department Report:

Chief Byron Smith began by reporting on a traffic issue in the Mon-E-Bak area near the intersection of Brookside and the concrete alley. The issue is vehicles are parking directly on the concrete alley blocking traffic flow and/or parking on an unapproved surface. The chief indicated he is going to speak with the Road Superintendent; Jim Stevens to ensure what the Township calls the concrete alley is an actual designated alley before enforcement begins in the area.

The chief then shared the statistical facts for the month of May 2018:

- 47 accidents
- 42 citations
- 16 warnings
- 86 incidents
- 1035 dispatched calls
- 142 pick up
- 8,600 miles driven
- 69 court hearings (no officers called in)
- 32 impounds

Fleshman asked the chief for an update on the status of the traffic cameras. Chief Smith indicated that the cameras should arrive within the next (2) two weeks and then community education will begin as well as signage will be erected to inform drivers that Franklin Township will be monitored by traffic cameras.

The Chief also reported that members of the Broadlawn Block Watch indicated that commercial trucks have been driving through and parking in their

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residential neighborhood illegally. He stated that of the three entrances to the Broadlawn neighborhood currently only (1) one *No Through Truck* sign is erected and suggested additional signs be added to all entrances of the Broadlawn neighborhood to assist in educating the public on the parking laws.

The following resolution was motioned by Alex. Fleshman seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

RESOLUTION 18-094

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves for the Road Superintendent to erect *No Through Truck* signs in all entrances to the Broadlawn neighborhood. The resolution will replace any prior resolution related to *No Through Trucks* in the Broadlawn neighborhood.

The Chief said he will contact Franklin County on specifics on how to educate and enforce commercial truck parking.

Fire Department Report:

Chief James Welch asked the board for a resolution to hire Thomas Smallreed as a firefighter.

The following resolution was motioned by Alex. Fleshman seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

RESOLUTION 18-095

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board accepts the hiring of firefighter Thomas Smallreed.

Chief Welch stated that the fire department is in need of a new thermal heating camera due to mechanical failure of the existing camera. Welch shared that the cost to repair the existing camera will be almost as much as replacing the unit.

The following resolution was motioned by Alex. Fleshman seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

RESOLUTION 18-096

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approved the fire chief to purchase a thermal imaging camera not to exceed \$5,000.00.

A swearing-in ceremony for the new firefighters will be held at Station 192 at a future date.

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Road Department Report:

The Road Superintendent, Jim Stevens is out ill and unable to provide a report. Horn shared that Mr. Stevens has hired (2) two high school students for temporary summer help.

Tim Chaney of the audience informed the Board that the rubbish retrieved from the ravine in the Broadlawn neighborhood still needs picked up. Horn said he will notify Jim Stevens to arrange retrieval of the debris.

Fiscal Department Report:

The Assistant Fiscal Officer, Robyn Watkins updated the Board that she is almost finished with the Employee Procedural/Policy Handbook. She also shared that the handbook will be available for the Board to begin their review by the next scheduled Regular Meeting on July 12, 2018. The Board agreed upon completion of their review the handbook would then be sent to the Township legal team for a final overview before voting on approval.

Building Department Report:

Administrative Coordinator, Jessica Rice was not in attendance so no report was given.

Ralph Horn, Chairman

Horn asked the audience to think about a neighbor or a resident of the Township to nominate for the Juanita Kauffman Award. Horn explained that nominations will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on July 26, 2018 and the award will be presented at the annual National Night Out celebration on August 7, 2018 at Central Baptist Church.

Aryeh Alex, Vice-Chairman

Alex shared that Jackson Township Board of Trustees, Stephen Bowsher is asking for a resolution from Franklin Township nominating him as the representative of the Franklin County Townships on the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio Board of Trustees.

The following resolution was motioned by Alex. Fleshman seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

RESOLUTION 18-097

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, approves the nomination of Stephen J. Bowsher as the representative of the Franklin County Townships on the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio Board of Trustees effective at the earliest time permitted by law for a term of two years, ending June 19, 2020.

Alex asked the Board for a motion to approve a letter of support to the Franklin County Public Health related to a grant application the health department is submitting.

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Alex made the following motion for Franklin Township to submit a letter of support to Franklin County Public Health related to a potential grant. The motion was seconded by Fleshman. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes.

John Fleshman, Trustee

Fleshman shared the desire to erect a sign at the entrance of the Broadlawn Community Garden. Fleshman explained that this sign would provide instructions to potential citizens about participating in the garden and what to do in an emergency.

Resident Tim Chaney asked the Board if the Township could place gravel at the entrance to the Broadlawn Community Garden to allow for adequate parking. Fleshman shared that he believes Jim Stevens is waiting to hear back from the County Prosecutor's Office on if the Township can create off-street parking for the garden. Chaney also asked the Board for \$700.00 for the Broadlawn Community Garden for a shed to be purchased to securely store gardening tools. The Board's recommendation to Chaney is to reach out to area home and garden retailers for a donation. Dan from Friends of the Hilltop shared that if the Township will submit a letter of support to Chaney he could then take the letter to a local home and garden retailer for a possible shed donation.

Alex made a motion with no further business to discuss, to adjourn the meeting. Fleshman seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Fleshman, yes; Horn, yes; Alex, yes. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Ralph Horn, Chairman

Aryeh Alex, Vice-Chairman

John Fleshman, Trustee

Lisa Morris, Fiscal Officer
Robyn Watkins, Assistant Fiscal Officer

Minutes were taken and typed by: Robyn Watkins
Minutes approved by Board of Trustees on 07/12/18