

Resolution 2025-044

A Resolution Authorizing the Franklin Township Police Department to Charge Fees for the Redaction of Video Footage

The Board of Trustee of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio met in person in a Regular Meeting at 12:00p.m. on Thursday, March 20th, 2025, at 2193 Frank Road, Columbus, Ohio . The trustee marked below made a motion for the adoption of the following resolution as written:

Trustee Fleshman **Trustee Leezer** **Trustee Blevins**

WHEREAS, Governor DeWine signed into law House Bill 315 on January 3, 2025 authorizing local law enforcement agencies the option to charge fees for the processing and redaction of video footage from body cameras, dashboard cameras and jail surveillance systems; [House Bill 315 | 135th General Assembly | Ohio Legislature](#) and,

WHEREAS, said House Bill allows local law enforcement agencies to impose an optional fee of up to \$75.00 per hour for video processing with a maximum total fee of \$750.00 per request; and

WHEREAS, said House Bill was signed into law in order to offset the extensive costs that police departments must bear in providing public access to video footage from body cameras, dashboard cameras and jail surveillance systems and to prevent police departments from having to divert resources for officers on the street by moving them to administrative tasks like lengthy video redaction reviews for which agencies receive no compensation.

BE IT RESOLVED effective April 3, 2025, and certain provisions effective July 1, 2025, the Franklin Township Police Department is hereby authorized to enact the provisions as set out in House Bill 315 and impose an optional fee of up to \$75.00 per hour for video processing and redaction of body cameras, dashboard cameras and jail surveillance systems. This authorization shall continue and include any modifications or amendments to the terms and provisions of House Bill 315 or it's successors.

BE IT RESOLVED that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to this Resolution were passed in an open meeting of the Board, and that all deliberations of the Board 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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be declared an emergency and be in full force and effective immediately upon its adoption.

The following trustee marked below seconded the motion:


Trustee Fleshman **Trustee Leezer** **Trustee Blevins**

Roll was called for the adoption of the resolution, and the vote was as follows:

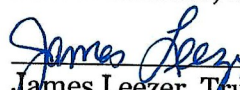
Fleshman: YES/ NO

Leezer: YES/ NO

Blevins: YES/ NO



John Fleshman, Trustee



James Leezer, Trustee



Mike Blevins, Trustee

Adopted on March 20 , 2025