

Resolution 2025-079
A Resolution Authorizing the Elimination of Six Full Time Franklin Township Firefighters

The Board of Trustee of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio met in person in a Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2025 . The trustee marked below made a motion for the adoption of the following resolution:

☐ Trustee Fleshman

☐ Trustee Leezer

☒ Trustee Blevins

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, has reviewed the current financial status of the Township and the Fire Department budget; and

WHEREAS, due to ongoing budgetary constraints, the Board has determined that a reduction in workforce is necessary to ensure the continued financial stability of the Township and the provision of essential services; and

WHEREAS, after careful consideration, the Board has identified the need to eliminate six full-time firefighter positions within the Franklin Township Fire Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that: The Board hereby approves and endorses the elimination of six full-time firefighter positions from the Franklin Township Fire Department due to budgetary constraints. The affected personnel are as follows: Cole Coovert, Evan Snyder, Preston Reese, Bryson Partlow, Thomas Hilliard, and Andrew Schmidt.

Each of the aforementioned firefighters shall be provided with a thirty (30) day layoff notice in accordance with applicable laws, policies, and procedures

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board of Trustees extends its sincere gratitude to these firefighters for their dedicated service and unwavering commitment to the residents of Franklin Township. We thank them for their contributions and wish them continued success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER 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:

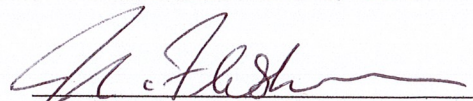
☐ Trustee Fleshman

☐ 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 June 12 , 2025