Minutes of Franklin Township

Bi-weekly Meeting

Held at 2193 Frank Road

July 27, 2017

Chairman Ralph opened the bi-weekly meeting on Thursday July 27, 2017 at 6:30pm at location, 2193 Frank Road.

Prayer was held by Pastor Womack.

The pledge of Allegiance was read

Roll Call: Fleshman yes, Horn yes, Cook yes.

Chairman Horn started off the meeting by stating he would like to go ahead and table the accepting of previous written minutes. Fleshman covers that we are currently working on getting audio files back that were deleted. Teresa Rodriguez, Assistant Fiscal Officer, jumps in to tell the board that we will need to purchase another Record of Proceedings book, this book comes with the paper that they minutes will be printed on, so the board may sign these once we get the book.

Vice Chairman Fleshman seconded this.

Ralph speaks to the audience and tells them that the minutes are caught up, and should be ready for posting, in the next week or so.

Chairman Horn states that guest speaker Brosious has rescheduled to come speak to the Township at a later date.

Scott Rodgers, I.T Tech., starts off the meeting by discussing the type of firewall the township has. Rodgers explains that, temporary employee, Mrs. Rice would like to have remote access to the townships network. Updating to another firewall will give her the access to the township computers while she works from home. Mr. Rodgers states the new firewall will cost the township \$490. Rodgers states that he has a few other townships that have this type of software already. The board would like for Mr. Rodgers to come back with a more specific quote on the pricing of this.

Mr. Scott Rodgers continues to say he needs to speak to Police Chief, Byron Smith, about the DVR. Fleshman jumps in to say he would like to just upgrade all the camera's and such that way we can get all the technology updated and squared away that way, our security system will have no need to upgrade anything for a while.

Vice Chairman John Fleshman begins to speak about the nominees of the Juanita Koffman award. He would like to do a vote, to see who the winner will be.

The Trustees go down the line and say who they would like to vote for.

John Fleshman nominates, Ed Seegar.

Ralph Horn nominates, Ed Seegar.

Lastly, Don Cook nominates, Ed Seegar.

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The award will be presented to Ed Seegar, on Tuesday August 2, 2017 at the Juanita Koffman award ceremony.

Next up Chairman Ralph Horn states he would like to move onto Resolution numbers.

<u>Vice Chairman Fleshman moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.</u> <u>Resolution # 17-221</u>

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the board approves to pay payroll in the amount of, \$196,627.95. From check numbers, 43601 to 43661.

Seconded by Chairman Ralph horn.

Vote Taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Cook yes.

<u>Chairman Ralph Horn moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.</u> <u>Resolution # 17-215</u>

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the board approves to pay for the class and supplies for Teresa Rodriguez and Erin Crome, to become notaries. If employment ceases before two years, the Township will require Teresa and Erin to reimburse the cost of the class.

Seconded by Vice Chairman John Fleshman.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don no.

Cook explain why he voted no, this is because he doesn't feel that Teresa or Erin should have to refund the township the cost of the class.

Chairman Ralph Horn moved for the adoption of the following Resolution. Resolution # 17-217

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the board approves and certifies that the Board of Elections add Home Rule onto the ballot of November 2017.

Seconded by John Fleshman.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don no.

Copies are handed out to audience members who would like one.

A discussion was held by the board and the audience about examples of Home Rule.

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<u>Chairman Ralph Horn moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.</u> <u>Resolution # 17-218</u>

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the board approves to certify and approve the posting of the notice to the Board of Elections. Seconded by Vice Chairman John Fleshman.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don no.

The Board answers a few questions from the audience about how we are going to educate the public more about Limited Home Rule. The Board also gives a few examples of some situations we currently have and how having Home Rule can expedite the resolving of these specific issues.

Seconded by John Fleshman

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Chairman Horn moved for the adoption of the following Resolution. Resolution # 17-220

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the board approves to pay Burnham and Flowers, \$1,017.00 for the Fiscal bonding of, Assistant Fiscal Officer, Teresa Rodriguez.

Teresa explains the specifics on how bonding works.

Seconded by John Fleshman

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

<u>Chairman Ralph Horn moved for the adoption of the following Resolution.</u> Resolution # 17-222

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County Ohio that the board approves to pay Buckeye power sales in the amount of, \$1,605.93 to fix cooling system on the generator, at Station 192; per the maintenance agreement Seconded by John Fleshman.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Chairman Horn Motions to approve all House Bill 50's at one time,

<u>Chairman Ralph Horn moved for the adoption of the following Resolutions.</u> RESOLUTION 17-238 TO RESOLUTION 17-249

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 the following locations:

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3712 Plainview, 1970 Marsdale, 1976 Marsdale, 2389 Valley View, 1911 Marsdale, 1520 Engadine, 1240 S. Eureka, 1760 Richmond, 1401 Harrisburg Pike, the Lot on Hopkins, 2889 El Paso, 1836 Harrisburg Pike.

Seconded by John Fleshman

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Next up, Byron Smith, Police Chief speaks of the New Hire, George Shevkin, whom he would like to hire as a part time police officer.

Chaieman Ralph Horn makes a motion to pass the following resolution. RESOLUTION 17-219

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to hire George Shevkin as a part time police officer for Franklin Township, effective immediately.

Seconded by John Fleshman

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Chief Smith speak on behalf of Road Department Head, Jim Stevens, that he would like to put up no parking signs on El Paso. Also, they would like to look in to the legal aspects of making this happen.

<u>Vice Chairman John Fleshman makes a motion to pass the following resolution.</u> <u>RESOLUTION 17-223</u>

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to allow Police Chief Smith to place no parking signs on the north and south sides of El Paso Drive, based upon the ok from the townships attorney, to extend through the period of construction.

Seconded by Ralph Horn.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Chief Smith goes on to give the Police Department stats,

57 accident reports taken, 138 citations, 52 traffic warnings, 101 offend reports taken, 1,112 dispatch runs, 459 pickup runs (things like suspicious people), over 10,000 miles driven, 42 court cases, 0 officers called in and 41 vehicles impounded.

Chief Welch of the Fire Department starts off with telling the board about a fireman who came down with an illness, and enlightens the board that he will need an extended time off work. He would like to place Firefighter Mullins on FMLA effective July 18, 2017.

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<u>Chairman Ralph Horn moves to pass the following resolution.</u> <u>RESOLUTION 17-224</u>

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves Fireman Mullins to take FMLA effective July 18, 2017.

Seconded by John Fleshman

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Fire Chief Welch goes on to speak about the fiber contract with Spectrum ended, since the line is no longer in use, the company disconnected it.

<u>Chairman Ralph Horn moves to pass the following resolution.</u> <u>RESOLUTION 17-225</u>

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to give Ohio Insurance, OPEC HC, to pay the claim for Seth Kovach. Seconded by John Fleshman.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Next to speak is Jessica Rice, temporary fill in, for the Building Department. Mrs. Rice starts off by speaking about the fireproof cabinets that the building department needs. She explains that th new price will go over the agreed number from the previous resolution.

Teresa Rodriguez jumps in to say the Fiscal Office will need 4 cabinets, and why.

<u>Vice Chairman John Fleshman moves to amend the following resolution.</u> <u>RESOLUTION 17-209</u>

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to purchase four fireproof cabinets not to exceed \$3,500. Seconded by John Fleshman.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Jessica goes on to ask permission to discard the Fiscal Office printer.

<u>Chairman Ralph Horn moves to pass the following resolution.</u> RESOLUTION 17-233

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to not exceed \$500 including labor, to purchase a new firewall that will now allow access to the Townships server.

Seconded by John Fleshman.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

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<u>Chairman Ralph Horn moves to pass the following resolution.</u> <u>RESOLUTION 17-226</u>

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to give permission to Jessica Rice to dispose of the Fiscal Office printer, but also, consider the right way to dispose of this.

Seconded by John Fleshman.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

A question arises from the audience about Erin Crome's bi-weekly cleaning. A discussion is held between the audience and the board. A discussion is then held about over time for doing the meeting minutes, Chairman Horn jumps in to say that this is a legal matter, that the Minutes NEEDED to be caught up, overtime at times was necessary. Chairman Horn asks Ms. Rodriguez how long it took her to catch up on the 4 months that the township was behind. She went on to say it only took her about 6 hours of overtime over the span of 4 weeks to complete this.

<u>Vice Chairman John Fleshman moves to rescind the following resolution</u> RESOLUTION 17-210

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to rescind the resolution of bi-weekly cleaning by Erin Crome. Seconded by John Fleshman.

Vote taken: John ves, Ralph ves, Don ves.

Lisa Morris, Fiscal Officer, asks the board to approve to pay mileage for Teresa Rodriguez to do running for the township.

<u>Vice Chairman John Fleshman moves to rescind the following resolution</u> <u>RESOLUTION 17-229</u>

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to pay Teresa Rodriguez state requirements for mileage, for any errands she may run for the Township.

Seconded by Ralph Horn.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Next to speak is Teresa Rodriguez, Assistant Fiscal Officer. She introduces herself to the audience and begins to talk about all the Home Rule documents she has prepared for the board to sign. She has the board sign the legal documents for Res#17-218 and Res#17-217. She explains she worked closely with Pete Griggs and his assistant Jennifer. The board signs the documents.

She presents the notice of election, she explains the law and how this works. She explains she reached out to different places for the newspaper, and gave the board the quote for the Daily reporter. She explains why she chose the dates she did.

A discussion is held between the board and the Audience.

She expresses she would like to see the newsletters to return.

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Vice Chairman John Fleshman moves to pass the following resolution. RESOLUTION 17-227

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to allow Teresa Rodriguez to post this notice two times in The Daily Reporter Seconded by Ralph Horn.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

<u>Chairman Ralph Horn moves to pass the following resolution.</u> <u>RESOLUTION 17-228</u>

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves the 5 posting places of the Notice of Election. Seconded by John Fleshman.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Don Cook brings up the letter from Ohio Insurance, he would like to make a motion to opt back into the agreement with Ohio Insurance. He explains this will actually save the township money.

Trustee Don Cook moves to the following resolution RESOLUTION 17-230

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to opt back into the agreement with Ohio Insurance Agency. Seconded by John Fleshman.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Vice Chairman John Fleshman brings up a citizen, Debra Schwartz who lives in the township. He explains that a tree on El Paso in the right of way, fell during a storm and damaged her car. He would like to make a motion that the township cover her insurance deductible for \$100.

Vice Chairman John Fleshman moves to the following resolution RESOLUTION 17-232

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves to pay Debra Schwartz' insurance deductible of \$100. Seconded by Ralph Horn.

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Robyn Watkins, township citizen chimes in, to inform Teresa that one of the places is in fact in the city of Columbus, the board comes back and approves that Grandmas Pizza on Harrisburg Pike will take place of this.

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<u>Vice Chairman John Fleshman moves to amend the following resolution.</u> RESOLUTION 17-228

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that the Board approves the 5 posting places of the Notice of Election, so, Grandmas Pizza will be replacing Minelli's.

Seconded by Ralph Horn

Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Citizen Dennis Gallagher steps up to the podium and explains to the board about the property next door, 6640 Hall Road, in Galloway Ohio. He shows photos. There is trash in the yard, and its spreading throughout the street. He asks if there is anything the board can do to fix this, or at least clean it up.

Vice Chairman John Fleshman says that this specific incident, is a GREAT example of how home rule could help resolve this quicker. So, since we do not have home rule, we have to reach out to the health department and zoning to get this taken care of.

Chairman Ralph Horn moves to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by John Fleshman Vote taken: John yes, Ralph yes, Don yes.

Don Cook, Chairman	_
John Fleshman, Vice-Chairman	
Ralph Horn, Trustee	
Lisa Morris Fiscal Officer	